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Trail Governance

- **National and state legislation – EPBC Act, Cultural Heritage Act, Conservation Act, etc.**
- **State Government Policies (TMR, Environment, etc)**
- **Local Government planning schemes, policy positions, strategies, etc.**
- **AusCycling – Australian Mountain Bike Trail Guidelines (2019) & TDRS**
- **AS2156.1 and AS 2156.2 Walking Track Standard**
- **QLD Mountain Biking Strategy**
- **Trail counts and vehicle counts**
- **Includes management trails and fire trails**

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**Owned and
operated by
Land
Manager**



- **Land manager has complete control of operations and maintenance**
- **Land manager owns the trail risk**
- **Responsible for operations and maintenance using staff or contractors for work**
- **Routine inspections and third-party audits**

Community Volunteer Group / Club





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Rockhampton Mountain Bike Club

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- **Land manager enters into an agreement with user association, club or bicycle user group or other community group**
- **Group is primarily responsible for maintenance**
- **Land manager monitors performance of group through, reporting, audits, and inspections**
- **Land manager still owns risk**

**Privately
Owned**

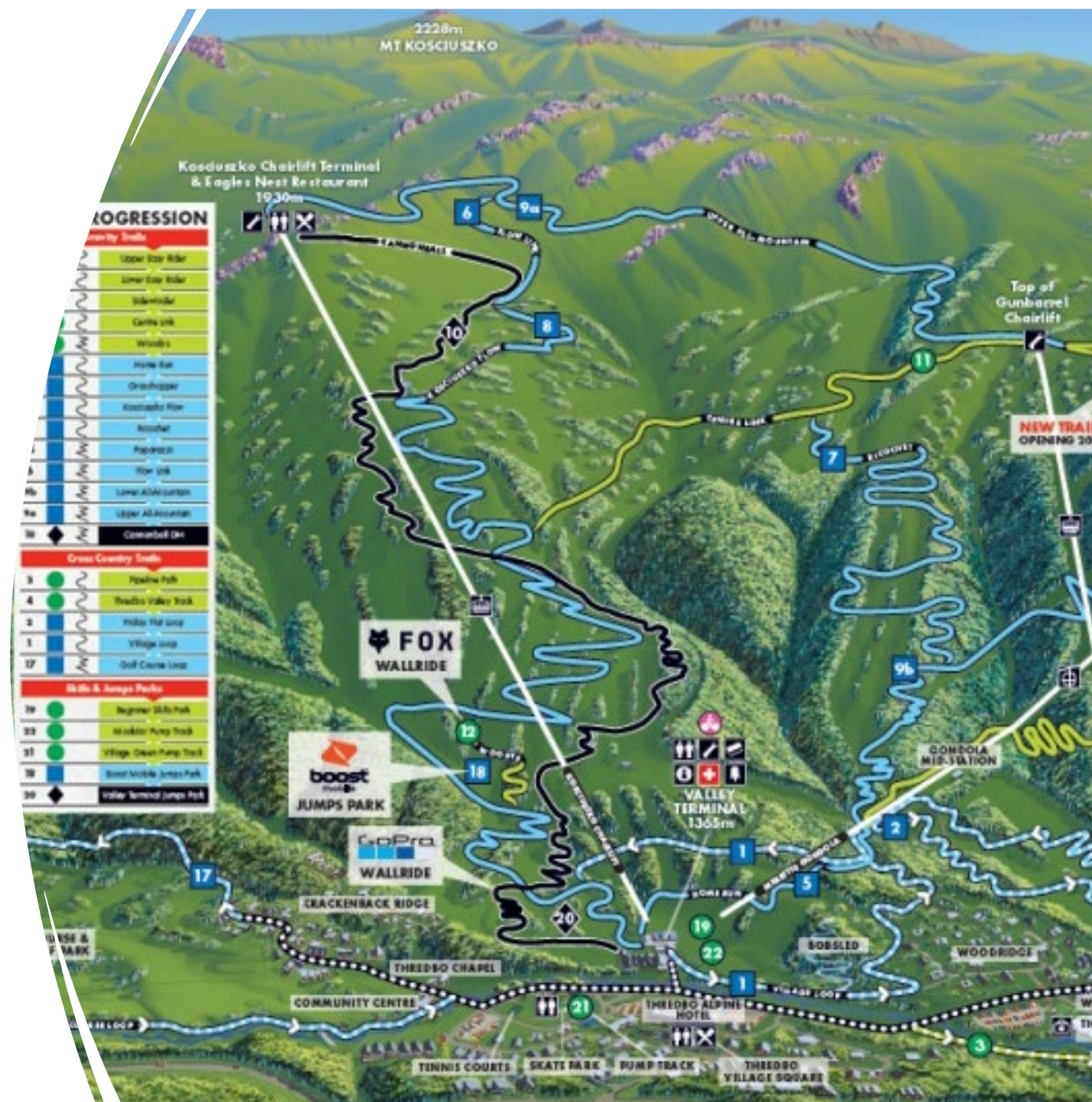


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Commercial





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ELEVATION
PARKS

- **Land manager enters into a commercial arrangement with a third party**
- **Third party builds and manages the trail network in accordance with permit conditions**
- **Third party is responsible for operations and maintenance**
- **Land manager monitors performance of third party through, reporting, audits, and inspections**
- **Land manager divests the trail risk – assuming due diligence**

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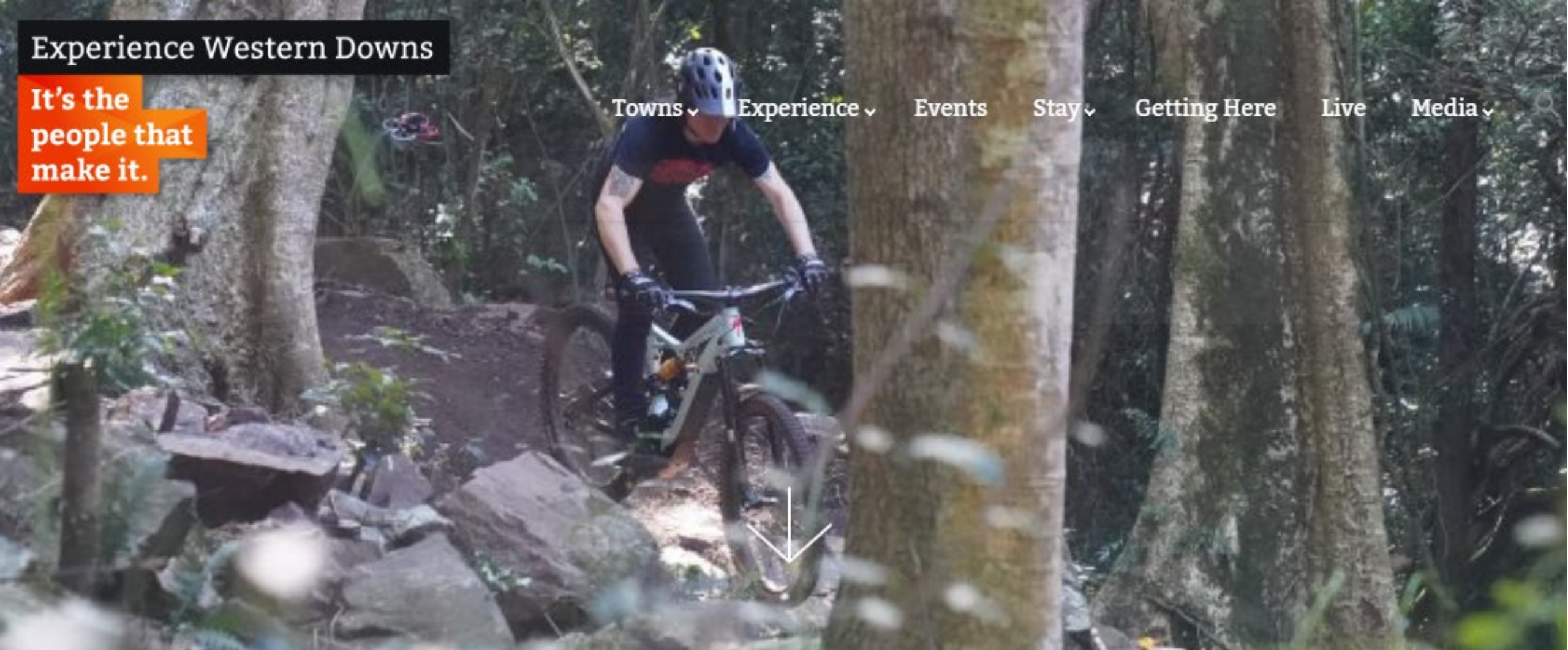
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COMMUNITY UPDATE

Learn more about achievements to date and our plans for the future. ABT is working with project partners, community and government organisations to secure funding, update plans and begin trail development.

[Community Update](#)

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- **Shared responsibilities**
- **Allocating contractors to hard + boring rectifications**
- **Volunteer morale raised doing “fun” work**
- **Financial benefits and quality maintained**
- **Training volunteers required**
- **Embedded knowledge required within council**

Which model does “your” rail trail fit into?

Has it been described adequately here?

Which model would you like to see your trail move to?

What benefits would be realized for user experience, community and business outcomes if changes were made?