# Landcarematters

Hotham-Williams sub-catchment update



PHCC Working Together
Peel-Harvey Catchment Council

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#### A monthly update on Natural Resource Management (NRM) in the Hotham-Williams subcatchment.

NRM refers to the management of natural resources such as land, water, soils, plants and animals. It brings together landuse planning, water management, biodiversity conservation and the future sustainability of industries such as agriculture, mining, tourism, fisheries and forestry.





## Hotham-Williams NRM Plan Launch

The Hotham-Williams Community
welcomed Mr Rick Wilson MP, Federal
Member for O'Connor, on Wednesday,
24th August to launch the Hotham-Williams
Natural Resource Management Plan.

The development of an NRM Plan was identified by the community as a priority in the 2013 Business Case for NRM in the Region. The PHCC are happy to have secured funding and facilitated the preparation of the Plan which will guide NRM in the Hotham-Williams and

is already enabling investment and a reinvigoration of on ground action in the upper catchment. The Plan provides scope and direction for the delivery of priority NRM activities into the future.

Since June 2014, NRM investment in the Hotham-Williams is estimated at nearly \$900,000, with over 40% (both monetary and in-kind) invested by the community. For more information, please contact Mel via hotham-williams@peel-harvey.org.au

#### **TEC Grants Now Open**

YOU can help protect Western Australia's stunning Eucalypt Woodlands of the Western Wheatbelt, thanks to a new grants program launched last week.

Community groups, farmers, land managers and local councils can now apply for funding. Up to \$100,000 is available for on-ground projects aimed at protecting or maintaining the Woodlands.

The Threatened Ecological Communities Grant, funded through the Australian Government's National Landcare Program, was established by the Peel-Harvey Catchment Council (PHCC) in response to community need to reinvigorate environmental projects in the upper catchment.

Funding is only available for patches of the Eucalypt Woodlands, which meet specific criteria.

For information or to discuss your eligibility, please call PHCC's Mel Durack on 0455 166 780, Wednesdays and Thursdays, or email hotham-williams@peel-harvey.org.au

### **Tunbridge Gully Update**

Volunteers from South 32 Worsley Alumina, Friends of the Reserves Boddington (Inc), Newmont Boddington Gold, PHCC staff and students from Boddington District High School attended a planting day at a site on Tunbridge Gully in Boddington.

Funding has been provided for this project, for the next 2-3 years, by South 32 Worsley Alumina. Newmont provided seed to the school to grow seedlings planted on the day. Approx. 350 seedlings were planted.

PHCC coordinated the event.



#### Post Fire Revegetation

A planting day was recently held for the Post fire revegetation project at the Quindanning Hall. Funding for this project is through the State NRM Community Action Grants. The planting day was coordinated by Avril Baxter and Quindanning resident Angela Davies. Approx. 300 seedlings were planted.

Unfortunately, since the planting day somebody has pulled up and removed all of the new plants which is very disappointing to all involved in the project.

Coming Up...

Black Cockatoo Workshop / Field Day

SEP 27





We acknowledge the Noongar people as Traditional Custodians of this land and pay our respects to all Elders past and present hotham-williams@peel-harvey.org.au www.peel-harvey.org.au



