

## Hotham-Williams Rivers and Tributaries' Natural Resource Management and Conservation Project



REGIONAL GOALS

People

Biophysical

Knowledge

To maintain and progress the catchment scale water, biodiversity and cultural resource management partnership project in collaboration with the PHCC that is aligned to priorities identified in the PHCC Hotham-Williams Natural Resource Management Plan (NRM Plan 2015-2025 and NRM Strategy Bindjared Boodja Landscapes).

This project represents a renewed a long-term partnership between PHCC and Newmont and will enable the environmental efforts of the last five years to continue. Highlights of the partnership include the employment of a River Restoration Co-ordinator (Kristy Gregory), eight rehabilitation and restoration sites along the Hotham and Williams Rivers, engagement with the Wilman (Dryandra) People Corporation and a range of other community projects.

### PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Implement key actions in the Hotham-Williams River Action Plan (RAP) at 8 identified priority sites and undertake restoration projects.
- Contribute to ongoing NRM and Conservation and Land Management efforts in the Hotham-Williams sub-catchment including community based events, support for community-led restoration projects and grant rounds for environmental projects on private land.
- Work with Wilman Traditional Owners and other relevant Gnaala Karla Booja (GKB) cultural knowledge holders and organisations within the GKB Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) and project area to support and build NRM capability through accredited training and/or engagement in delivery of on ground activities.
- Scope and develop projects, partnerships and planned activities that support the capture and application of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage, knowledge and ecological practices in relation to waterways, catchments and sites identified in the Hotham-Williams River Action Plan, in consultation with local Aboriginal stakeholders.

### FUNDING

Newmont Australia \$600,000

### PARTNERS

Newmont, Shires of Boddington, Williams, Cuballing and Wandering, The Local Community

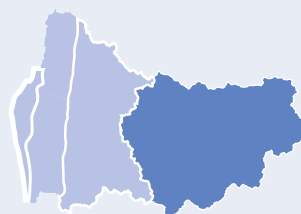
### PROJECT TEAM

Melanie Durack  
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### STEERING COMMITTEE

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### REGIONAL COVERAGE





## OUTCOMES

- Implementation of key actions in the Hotham-Williams River Action Plan (RAP) including weed control, feral animal control, bank stabilisation, fencing, revegetation and the provision of appropriate access to the Rivers by the community.
- Scoping and development of projects and activities that support the maintenance, protection and extension of Aboriginal Heritage, knowledge and ecological practices.
- Delivery of community-based events focused on increasing skills and knowledge in best management practices including weed control, feral animal control, habitat enhancement and management of waterways and native vegetation.
- Organise planting day events with the local community, including support for community-led activities where there is opportunity.
- Coordinate grants for NRM activities on private land including feral animal control, weed control, fencing for bushland/waterway protection and revegetation.

## PROJECT ACTIONS

- Key actions progressed at 4 RAP restoration sites by 2025 and 2 additional projects progressed by 2027.
- 4 projects/activities incorporated into RAP restoration site activities.
- 6 events over 5 years.
- 1-2 planting events per year for 5 years
- 2 grant rounds over 5 years.



## MORE INFORMATION

<https://peel-harvey.org.au/what-we-do/projects/>

## EVENTS

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