

Community Support component

Previous investments in the Australian Capital Territory



Landcare On-ground Works in the ACT (\$80,000, 2003-04)

Activities include re-vegetating key river bank areas and establishing wetlands to improve downstream water quality; providing the infrastructure needed to complete the Banksia Street wetland project and promoting sustainable weed management practices in grazing areas and along selected reaches of Ginninderra Creek. Overall, this will improve the condition of riparian zones and water quality; control soil erosion through revegetation activities and establishing perennial, native grasses; raise community awareness of local catchment and landcare issues; enhance the capacity of volunteer landcare groups to undertake local projects; and tackle a number of serious, problem weeds.

Implementation of the Molonglo Catchment Strategy (\$115,000, 2004-05)

The Molonglo Catchment Group will encourage landcare groups and farmers to improve riverbank management and water quality, as well as boost landholder understanding of sustainable agriculture practices.

Open Farm Program — Landcare on Location — Events that Look at Property-level Vegetation Management (\$30,000, 2004-05)

Greening Australia will host a series of field days for farmers, scientists and the wider community. The field days will encourage the sharing of information between these groups, and promote sustainable agriculture and natural resource management practices.

Molonglo Catchment Strategy Rollout (Stage 3) (\$106,000, 2005-06; \$105,000, 2006-07)

The project's third stage will be managed by the Molonglo Catchment Group, together with community and other groups, and will boost agricultural sustainability by establishing perennial pastures - native and exotic - and improving water quality. The project will tackle serious problems such as soil erosion and dryland salinity, and also rehabilitate 10km of degraded stream and riverbanks. It will include field days and workshops at selected pilot sites, and specialist training to boost understanding of sustainable farming systems, highlight the advances in environmental restoration practices and show cost-effective ways of improving water quality through community action.

Good neighbours – creating opportunities for small acreages in and around the ACT (\$97,000, 2007-08)

The Good Neighbours project will provide small acreage land managers with the knowledge and skills to better manage natural assets. The project will provide one-on-one site visits, information on existing projects, incentives for land and water management, and tailored field days and workshops.