

Grants available

Riparian Fencing and off-stream watering points

Grants are available for eligible landholders to assist them with stock and pest animal control so they can improve and maintain healthy riparian zones within their properties.

The Preparing Australian Communities: Nature Based Solutions to Build Regional Resilience project

is offering grants for fencing and off-stream watering points to landholders who:

- live in the Reef Catchments Mackay Whitsunday Isaac Natural Resource Management region
- have a stream or creek within their properties
- have cattle with uncontrolled access to creeks
- wish to manage pest animals.

Funding available

- Riparian fencing for stock control (up to 40% of total cost to a maximum of \$6,000/km)
- Riparian fencing for pest exclusion (up to 40% of total cost to a maximum of \$7,200/km)
- Off stream watering points (up to 40% of total cost to a maximum of \$7,000, or \$11,000 if a new bore is required for the first watering point; and a maximum of \$2000 for each additional watering point).

Increasing resilience to severe weather events

Creeks and streams that have good vegetation coverage on banks and adjacent riparian land have greater resistance to the effects of severe events such as floods and cyclones.

Disturbance from stock and pest animals can damage stream bank vegetation, leading to significant erosion damage and often loss of productive agricultural land.

We can be proactive in maintaining and enhancing the resilience of our streambanks and riparian areas by installing fencing and associated off-stream watering points to control stock access and exclude pest animals.

Benefits of riparian fencing

- improve stock management
- protect crops by removing safe havens for pest animals
- improve property values and aesthetics
- increase biodiversity
- prevents loss of productive agricultural land.

How to apply:

For further information or to submit an Expression of interest:

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