

Fencing Grants Now Available for Improved Land Management

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Farmers and graziers in the Mackay Whitsunday Isaac region are invited to apply for riparian fencing and off-stream watering point grants to assist with management of stock and pest animals, while also protecting riparian zones, wetlands, and coastal vegetation from erosion and sedimentation as a result of severe weather events.

The project is funded by the Australian and Queensland Governments under the Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Fund and is available for riparian fencing and off-stream watering point on properties located within Reef Catchments' natural resource management region, which stretches from Clairview to Heronvale (south of Bowen), with the top of the ranges forming the western boundary.

In recent years the region has experienced weather events that have led to widespread damage of natural and built infrastructure. Following these events, areas with healthy riparian zones benefited from the natural buffer and were most resilient against extreme volumes of water. Where riparian zones lacked this buffer, much greater investment in recovery and remediation were required.

Protecting these riparian zones along creeks and stream banks will help farmers to improve their land management and prevent the loss of productive agricultural land.

To download an application pack, visit www.reefcatchments.com.au or call 07 4968 4200 for further information about the program.

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About Reef Catchments

Reef Catchments are the Natural Resource Management (NRM) group for the Mackay Whitsunday Isaac region.

We facilitate change and work for long-term solutions to sustain, protect, and improve our region's natural resources and environment, now and into the future.

Our team are skilled and outcome-focused people, all dedicated to looking after the environment in the Mackay Whitsunday Isaac region.

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