

## If you have creek frontage on your property .....

Melbourne Water's Rural Land Program (RLP) and the Stream Frontage Management Program (SFPM) are now part of the [Liveable Communities, Liveable Waterways](#) Program.

The program is open to private land within MW's operating area with waterway/streamside frontage, or properties located within the rural land priority areas ([see this map](#)). Applications are open throughout the year. Funding can support:

- Development of property management plans
- Revegetation – all materials, i.e. plants, tree guards/stakes, provided by MW
- Weed control. MW may provide weed control to successful applicants, if the weed control project is deemed suitable then funding may be ongoing
- Pest management
- Land class fencing (slope/aspect)
- Erosion control
- Off stream stock water supply (tanks, drinking troughs)
- Fencing off waterways.

Contact MW to discuss your ideas before applying.

phone: 131 722 / email: [incentives@melbournewater.com.au](mailto:incentives@melbournewater.com.au)

MW funding is also available for groups looking after public land.

## If you have native bushland on your property that you want to protect and enhance .....

Trust for Nature offers [conservation covenants](#) to landholders with high conservation values on their properties. A conservation covenant (deed of covenant) is a voluntary, legal agreement made between a private landowner and Trust for Nature ("the Trust"). Its purpose is to permanently conserve and protect the natural, cultural or scientific values of the land.

## If you have habitat for wildlife on your property .....

[Land for Wildlife](#) is a Victorian government program to support landholders who provide habitat for native wildlife on their land. Land for Wildlife can offer you advice on:

- integrating wildlife habitat with other uses of private land to mutual benefit
- managing wildlife habitat, the fauna in an area, its ecological role and its needs, and provide .....
- contact with like-minded landholders and a chance to share ideas and experiences through the scheme's publications, at field days and other activities
- regular newsletters and a more detailed Notes series.

## **If you're interested in regenerative agriculture .....**

The [Practical Regenerative Agricultural Communities](#) program offers individual, free, on-farm advice, webinars, workshops and field days, and farmer discussion groups that help you:

- improve your grazing and farm productivity
- improve soil health and biodiversity
- improve waterway health.

Contact Jason McAinch, MRSC Private Land Conservation Officer, [jmcainch@mrsc.vic.gov.au](mailto:jmcainch@mrsc.vic.gov.au)

## **If you want to take a more active role in nature conservation**

[Nature Stewards](#) is a 10-week program that will introduce you to your local and wider Victorian ecosystems and natural places, ways to care for Country and manage private property, and be a citizen scientist, conservation volunteer, advocate for nature, or a nature guide,

[Waterwatch](#) lets you be part of monitoring stream water quality and habitat.

[Rabbit Scan](#) maps locations of and damage caused by rabbits on your property.