

## Introducing 'Adopt a Patch'

Groups and individual landholders from across the Condamine catchment are being offered the opportunity to participate in the exciting new Adopt A Patch program which aims to improve the condition and connectivity of habitat for native plants and wildlife in the catchment.

Successful applicants will be offered assistance ranging from the provision of information and expert advice on management issues unique to their individual 'patches', through to funding for the purchase of specialist equipment or materials for conservation based on ground works.

This program is about providing much needed support for people who care about the landscape to work together and we recognise that environmental activities are not always economic; and we also hope to connect the energy and motivation of our community groups with willing land managers.

Funding is open to all landholders and volunteer groups, however it will be targeted on the management of nationally endangered vegetation communities; including

- [Brigalow](#) (Acacia harpophylla dominant and co-dominant)
- [Natural grasslands on basalt and fine-textured alluvial plains of northern New South Wales and southern Queensland](#)
- [Semi-evergreen vine thickets of the Brigalow Belt](#) (North and South)
- Nandewar Bioregions, [Weeping Myall Woodlands](#) and [White Box-Yellow Box](#)-Blakely's Red Gum Grassy Woodland and Derived Native Grassland.

Habitat for [nationally threatened species](#) will also be targeted, as well as habitat threatened by serious environmental weeds, including:

- [Blackberry](#) (Rubus fruticosus aggregate)
- [Chilean needle grass](#) (Nasella neesiana)
- [Parthenium](#) (Parthenium hysterophorus).

All applications will be assessed on an individual basis, with funding targeted at works that will deliver the highest biodiversity values within the identified priority areas.

It is also anticipated that this program will provide excellent opportunities for landholders to engage with volunteers and groups to enlist help with the ongoing management of high value privately owned patches.

**Groups and individuals interested in participating in the Adopt a Patch program can:**

[Download an application form](#)

or contact the Adopt a Patch Project Coordinator Dawn Heath on 0459 133 132 or email [dawnheath@bigpond.com](mailto:dawnheath@bigpond.com)

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