

EROSION CONTROL IN BEARDY RIVER HEADWATERS

PROJECT SUMMARY

Duration: 1st February 2015 – 30 June 2016

Sponsored group, Coldwood Pastoral Pty Ltd, will undertake this project with the sponsorship of GLENRAC Incorporated. This project will rehabilitate and protect a 2 hectare area of active erosion in the headwaters of the Beardy River. Technical expertise will be engaged to ensure that the project works are technically sound and correctly implemented by skilled, experienced contractors. The landholder will undertake ongoing weed control. Especially for blackberries and pest animal control focussing on rabbits and feral pigs.



PROJECT OUTCOMES

1. To maintain and improve ecosystem services through sustainable management of local and regional landscapes.
2. Increase the number of farmers and fishers adopting practises that improve the quality of the natural resource base, and the area of land over which those practices are applied.
3. Increase engagement and participation of the communit, including landcare, farmers and Indigenous people in sustainable natural resource management.

BENEFITS OF THIS PROJECT

- Stabilisation and rehabilitation of an active area of soil erosion in the headwaters of the Beardy River.
- Repair of previous stabilisation works following major flood event in January 2011
- Reduction of soil loss and sedimentation of the Beardy River
- Weed and pest animal control undertaken in project area
- Demonstration of soil erosion control and stabilisation techniques



PROJECT ACTIVITIES

1 knowledge building event and, Erosion management and revegetation over 2 hectares

NEXT STEPS?

Landholders will continue to undertake weed and pest animal control in project area and maintain project works with minor repairs and modifications as required.

GLENRAC will continue to seek financial support to assist landholders across the district to undertake soil erosion stabilisation and rehabilitation works.

Community members and land managers participated in 1 knowledge building event and erosion and vegetation management took place over a 2 hectare area.

LESSONS LEARNT?

GLENRAC will continue to utilise professional soil erosion expertise for design and supervision of erosion control works to ensure technical feasibility and longevity.

Soil erosion project maintenance will be ongoing with weed and pest animal control and some minor repairs and modifications to works.

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