PROTECTING & ENHANCING BIODIVERSITY: Threatened Ecological Communities

Case Study: September 2022

GLENRAC, in partnership with NSW Environmental Trust, has been developing landholder networks to share information and provide support for private land through the *Protecting and Enhancing Biodiversity: Threatened Ecological Communities* project.

The project aim has been to protect biodiversity by revegetating areas across the Glen Innes district where New England Peppermint grassy woodlands and White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's red gum grass woodland Threatened Ecological Communities (TECs) exist.





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THE ISSUE

Many of the Northern Tableland's ecosystems have been partially or mostly cleared over past decades, leading to a number of Eucalypt species becoming threatened or endangered.

Natural woodlands promote and provide essential nutrients for primary production pastures. Yet, restoration of natural systems, and whether land managers can sustain long term regenerative activity to promote TECs, is an issue that affects many properties.





THE SOLUTION

Through funding for this project from the NSW Environmental Trust, GLENRAC facilitated more than 17,000 native tree seedlings being planted at 35 different sites in the Glen Innes district, engaging 26 landholders and 4 community partnerships in the process. Whilst species selection was suited to each site, there was a focus on restoring two TECs - New England Peppermint grassy woodlands and White Box-Yellow Box-Blakely's red gum grass woodland.

Continuation of funding to restore ecosystems across the Northern Tablelands is essential to enhance biodiveristy and protect endangered woodlands, now and into the future.

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