



Protecting High Conservation Value Assets

The Clyde River (include Roads and Tracks Program, oyster EMS)

Project Summary: The project aims to ensure the on-going conservation of the iconic Clyde River and its catchment, by protecting high conservation areas and enhancing those limited areas of existing degradation. Engaging all resource managers and stakeholders in a consultative partnership is central to the success of the project. An assessment will be undertaken to identify, map and prioritise problem sites. This will be followed by on-ground rehabilitation works on both public and private lands, including riparian weed control, regeneration of riparian vegetation, stabilisation of eroded banks, installation of stock-exclusion fencing and upgrading and sealing of priority watercourse crossings. An Environmental Management System (EMS), currently being prepared by the Clyde River oyster growers in conjunction with Oceanwatch, will direct restoration works to support this important industry.

Partners: Eurobodalla Shire Council, Shoalhaven City Council, Milton Rural Landcare Association, Clyde River oyster growers, Oceanwatch Australia, Coastwatchers Association, Department of Environment and Conservation, and Department of Primary Industries (Fisheries and Forests NSW).

Funding: Australian and NSW Governments

Value of Project: \$430,000





Clyde River Restoration Project

Project Summary: In 2006 SRCMA commenced a restoration project to protect and enhance the High Conservation Value of the Clyde River and estuary. The Clyde is one of the largest rivers in southern NSW and its relatively pristine state is primarily due to the undeveloped nature of its catchment and the fact that 95% of its banks and adjoining lands remain forested. The River has the second highest oyster production in NSW, making it an important part of the regional economy. The project aims to maintain the existing good condition of the River and its estuary which will have benefits for the ecosystems the River supports. Project works include erosion control through bank stabilisation, fencing to restore riparian vegetation and upgrading and/or sealing of priority watercourse crossings. These restoration works will assist in protecting the water quality for general river health, as well as the oyster industry, fishers and recreational users of the River.

Partners: NSW Department of Primary Industries (Fisheries and Forests NSW), NSW Department of Environment and Climate Change (NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service), Eurobodalla Shire and Shoalhaven City Councils, Landcare, The Coastwatchers Association and local oyster farmers.

Funding: Commonwealth and NSW Governments
Value of Project: \$860,000

Eurobodalla Biodiversity Program

Project Summary: The Eurobodalla Biodiversity Project offers a range of incentives to landholders of the Eurobodalla. The provision of technical advice and an advisory and support service is complemented by financial incentives to assist with the expense of undertaking on-ground works. Landholders are offered a range of training and skill development opportunities, assistance in preparing property plans and funding applications and are encouraged to attend regular field days and workshops. Projects undertaken with the assistance of incentive funding through the Program include fencing, revegetation, vegetation management, major erosion control, streambed stabilisation works, installation of off-creek watering, remediation of acid sulphate soils and the re-establishment and protection of corridors linking remnant patches.

Partners: Eurobodalla Shire Council and local community.

Funding: Commonwealth and NSW Governments.

Value of Project: \$330,000



Working with local people to achieve healthy, natural ecosystems and sustainable productive landuse.