NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Funding source

Catchment Action NSW

RIPARIAN RESTORATION

This project will improve ecological function and resilience of priority reaches within the Lachlan River and Macquarie River catchments and provide financial and technical information to community and landholders within the region.

Key management actions will be implemented to address threatening processes and restore riparian habitat features. Priority reaches have been identified through habitat mapping conducted by the DPI - Fisheries NSW and Industry and Investment NSW.

Management actions may include: stock management through protective fencing and alternative watering points, weed control of pest plant species (such as blackberry, african boxthorn, sweet briar, willows and osage orange), restoration of native vegetation through direct seeding of native plant species, and the installation of screens on irrigation pumps.

These works will improve the condition of aquatic ecosystems, including reducing the mortality of native fish. Cultural heritage site assessments will be undertaken in prioritised riparian reaches.

Project outcomes will include:

- Rehabilitated and enhanced riparian habitat
- Threats reduced on priority sites
- Increase use and sharing of traditional ecological knowledge
- Increased awareness and management of culturally significant sites
- Improved condition of native vegetation
- Increased capacity of land managers to manage landscapes