



EGCMA Catchment Works Update – November 2015

**Far East Catchment**

- **Combienbar River** rehabilitation has commenced. This is a continuation of last year’s program with revegetation and weed control being undertaken on sites under landholder agreements. The first weed control and revegetation maintenance pass has been undertaken, and this project will now look toward the autumn for the revegetation.
- **Combienbar River** willow control program will commence shortly. This will follow on from previous works with a focus on juvenile willow control and where possible, with the co-operation of the landholder, mature willow control. This program will look to control 20ha of willows on the **Combienbar River**.
- **Cann River** floodplain willows will commence in the coming weeks with approximately 50 kilometres of the Cann being treated for willows. These works are primarily within the floodplain reach, with the exception of Buldah to East Cann confluence.
- **Cann River** rehabilitation has commenced with a continuation of previous works. This project will see 8,000 seedlings planted across 3 sites with 29 hectares of weed control and plant release being undertaken on previous rehabilitation sites.

**Snowy Catchment**

- Rehabilitation on the **Buchan River** will continue this year, which will include Willow control, weed control and revegetation throughout the freehold land that is under landholder agreement.
- Mowing across 13 public sites on the Marlo and Lochend Roads along the **Snowy River** has commenced and will continue for the 15/16 financial year.
- Weed Control and revegetation has commenced on the lower **Snowy River**. This program focuses on the river downstream of Jarrahmond, and aims to consolidate existing revegetation works as well as improving revegetation in key areas. This program is carried out by a local Moogji indigenous crew.
- Commencing in the coming weeks will be a 50ha willow control program in the upper **Snowy River** Catchment. This program will focus on the **Bonang River, Delegate River, Deddick River, Boundary Creek, Butchers Creek** and some small isolated areas of the **Deddick River**. This Program will build upon previous work undertaken in this area since the 2013 bushfires.
- **Delegate River** Broom control works will be carried out in conjunction with DWELP. 2ha of the Delegate River near the NSW Border will be targeted, supporting previous works.

**Mitchell Catchment**

- Willow control along a 4 kilometre stretch of the Lower **Dargo River** has now been completed, with a mechanical willow removal and revegetation program to follow early next year. These works were done in conjunction with three new landholder agreements within this section of river.
- **Dargo River** rehabilitation will commence in the coming weeks. This project will see 15,000 plants planted in the new year. With site maintenance and plant and guard release works from previous years, rehabilitation to commence in the coming weeks .

## Tambo/Nicholson Catchment

- Approximately 20 hectares of willow control will be conducted on **Bluey Creek**, a large tributary of the south branch of the Tambo River. An EGCMA aerial survey indicated mature willows within this section that could potentially reinfest the Tambo River.
- 46 Hectares of willow control is commencing on the **Tambo River**. This project is a maintenance project commencing below Ensay and concluding at the Bruthen Railway Bridge. The focus of this project is juvenile regrowth.
- One Hectare of Poplar removal has been completed on the lower **Tambo River** below Swan Reach. These works saw the removal of several hundred juvenile and large Poplar trees which has now opened up the canopy to allow native vegetation to establish.
- 71 hectares of willow control was completed on the **Timbarra River** in recent weeks. This project was a continuation of previous year's projects and works were completed from the campgrounds at Timbarra to the confluence of the Tambo River, with very few willows being found.



A view of the Timbarra Falls, Timbarra River.

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