



Australian Government

Dear Sir or Madam

We are pleased to invite you to attend a community information session regarding the new National Landcare Programme.

The National Landcare Programme is the Australian Government's key natural resource management initiative. The programme will reinvigorate community engagement in the natural resource management sector by giving community groups, including landcare, a greater role in setting local and regional priorities that address environmental and sustainable agriculture issues.

The National Landcare Programme will have a national stream and a regional stream.

- The national stream will deliver key election commitments including: the 20 Million Trees Programme; Coastal River Recovery Initiatives; the Cumberland Conservation Corridor; Whale and Dolphin Protection Plan; the Kimberley Cane Toads Clean Up; Biosecurity Incursion Management; the Dandenong Ranges Programme; and a small grants round.
- The regional stream will be delivered through 56 regional NRM organisations across the country and will have a strong focus on community engagement, including landcare, in setting priorities and delivering projects.

The focus of the community information sessions is to provide the natural resource management community, including Landcare, with an update on the design and delivery of the National Landcare Programme and its different elements. The sessions will be held around the country from **4–15 August 2014**.

An online consultation survey will also open on 4 August 2014 which will seek input on specific aspects of the design of the regional stream of the Programme. This is the primary platform for the natural resource management community to share their views through response to the survey questions. The survey will be open from 4 August until 29 August 2014 and you will be able to access it during this time via www.nrm.gov.au.

Attached to this invitation is a table detailing the locations, venues and times for each of the community information sessions. If you would like to attend one of these sessions please email your RSVP to nationallandcare@environment.gov.au by no later than **31 July 2014**, indicating which session you would like to attend.

We hope you will be able to participate as we further refine the National Landcare Programme.

Yours sincerely

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National Landcare Programme – community information sessions

State / Territory	Location	Date and time	Venue
ACT	Canberra	Monday 11 August 9:30am - 11:30am	Conference Centre, 7 London Circuit Civic
New South Wales	Sydney	Monday 4 August 3:00pm - 5:00pm	SMC Conference and Function Centre, 66 Goulburn St, Sydney
	Dubbo	Tuesday 5 August 10:30am -12:30pm	Dubbo RSL, Corner Brisbane Street and Wingewarra Street, Dubbo
	Coffs Harbour	Wednesday 6 August 9:30am - 11:30am	Jordan Pavilion, Coffs Harbour Showground, 123 Pacific Highway Coffs Harbour
Northern Territory	Alice Springs	Monday 11 August 1:30pm - 3:30pm	Arid Zone Research Institute, 519 South Stuart Highway, Alice Springs
	Darwin	Tuesday 12 August 9:30am - 11:30am	Travelodge Mirambeena Resort Darwin, Cnr Cavenagh & Lindsay Streets, Darwin
Queensland	Brisbane	Monday 11 August 1:30pm - 3:30pm	Rydges South Bank, 9 Glenelg Street, South Bank Brisbane
	Cairns	Tuesday 12 August 3:00pm - 5:00pm	Rydges Tradewinds, 137 Esplanade, Cairns
	Rockhampton	Wednesday 13 August 1:00pm - 3:00pm	Travelodge Rockhampton, 86 Victoria Parade, Rockhampton
South Australia	Adelaide	Tuesday 5 August 10:30am - 12:30pm	Plant Research Centre Auditorium, Gate 2 Waite Road Urrbrae
Tasmania	Hobart	Thursday 7 August 1:30-3:30pm	Churchill Room Salamanca Inn, 10 Gladstone Street Hobart
	Launceston	Friday 8 August 12:30-2:30pm	Tramsheds Function Centre, Inveresk Rail Yards, 4 Invermay Road, Inveresk
Victoria	Horsham	Wednesday 13 August 1:30pm - 3:30pm	Horsham Sports and Community Club, 177-179 Baillie Street, Horsham Victoria 3400
	Melbourne	Thursday 14 August 1:30pm - 3:30pm	Melbourne Museum, 11 Nicholson St Victoria 3053

	Albury/ Wodonga	Friday 15 August 9:30am - 11:30am	Commercial Club, 618 Dean Street Albury NSW
Western Australia	Broome	Tuesday 12 August 3:00pm - 5:00pm	Mercure Hotel, Weld Street, Broome
	Perth	Wednesday 6 August 9:30am - 11:30am	Wollaston Conference Centre, 5 Wollaston Road, Mt Claremont
	Albany	Thursday 7 August 9:30am - 11:30am	University of Western Australia, Science Building, 35 Stirling Terrace, Albany