

# Rural Landholder Funding Available

## The Thin Green Line Project

The National Parks Association of NSW (NPA) is offering funding to private landowners, primary producers and land managers to improve the condition and connectivity of native vegetation within the target areas of the Illawarra Escarpment Corridor (see **Who is eligible** below). Funds will support landowners to:

1. protect existing remnant native vegetation with funding towards fencing materials;
2. improve existing wildlife habitat quality via contract pest animal and weed control;
3. increase connectivity of wildlife habitat via native tree planting corridors, and;
4. attend training workshops to learn about pest animal and weed control, native plant and animal survey techniques and private land conservation benefits.

### Who is eligible to apply?

Landowners and land managers in areas east and south of Kangaloon to Belmore Falls, east to Upper Jamberoo Valley, north to Yellow Rock, Tongarra and Macquarie Pass and back to Kangaloon. Includes Mount Murray, Robertson, St Anthonys, East Kangaloon, Tourist Road, Watts Hill, Bells Hill, Pheasant Ground, Carrington Falls, Knights Hill, Upper Jamberoo Valley, Upper Curramore, Yellow Rock, Tongarra & Upper Kangaroo Valley within Wingecarribee, Shellharbour, Kiama and Shoalhaven Local Government areas.

Funding is made available from the NSW Government's Environmental Trust Bush Connect program.

### Activities Supported

- fencing to protect existing remnant native vegetation
- tree planting/revegetation (native plants only) to connect patches of native vegetation
- provision of alternative water in conjunction with riparian fencing and native revegetation
- weed & feral animal control that impacts threatened species or endangered ecological communities

### Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible, applicants must:

- own or manage land within the target areas mentioned above
- be located within the target areas mentioned above
- not have an existing agreement with another organisation for which this EOI refers to, and
- be willing to sign an agreement for the project site with the NPA

### To Apply

Post or email EOI forms to the enquiries contact at the bottom of page 2 of this form. Site visits are arranged and, if appropriate, project proposals generated with support from Bush Connect Project staff. Project proposals will be prioritised by an assessment panel and Property Agreements drawn up for successful proposals. All applicants will be notified about their applications\*. For further enquiries, contact Project Officer, David Rush: [davidr@npansw.org.au](mailto:davidr@npansw.org.au)

