



Protecting Australia's biodiversity

\$100m

We're investing in practical programs to protect and restore our environment for future generations.

\$100 million to support Australia's natural environment

This investment will extend the highly successful Environment Restoration Fund for a further 3 years, starting in 2022-23.

Biodiversity plays a central role in the health of our environment, our communities and our economy. Australia's environment is both rich and unique, made up of an enormous variety of terrestrial and marine ecosystems.

The Australian Government is committed to protecting Australia's environment. Building on the success of its \$1 billion National Landcare Program, the Government has invested in community-led efforts to protect and restore our environment through the Environment Restoration Fund. This investment has supported local environment projects such as community recycling, native planting initiatives, 'safe havens' for endangered species, and habitat restoration for species including black cockatoos and koalas.

EXTENDING THE ENVIRONMENT RESTORATION FUND

The extension of this highly successful program will focus on efforts to protect threatened and migratory species and their habitat, restore Australia's coastal rivers and waterways, and deliver projects that help "green our cities" by improving urban tree canopy and providing green corridors in cities across the nation. Outcomes from projects supported under the Fund will provide benefits to communities, as well as regional and local economies.



Fast Fact

Our continent supports between 600,000 and 700,000 native species, and a very high proportion of these are found nowhere else in the world.