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Project Start Date: 1/1/2007

Project Completion Date: 30/06/2009

Project Description

This project focuses on the Upper Catchment of the Chapman River. The aim of the project is to equip farmers living in the area with the capacity (knowledge, technical advice and funding) to address environmental issues affecting their properties with a view to securing the long term environmental and economic sustainability of their enterprise. The first stage aims to develop a Catchment Management Plan. Using an integrated approach it will provide landholders with best practice management options and guide on-ground works in the area, through the remainder of this project and in the future. The Catchment Management Plan is expected to be completed by September 2007.

The remaining stage of this project will implement some of the options set out in the Management Plan. This may include improved drainage and water runoff, revegetation, protection of remnant vegetation, weed eradication and management, and stock management.

In addition the project will incorporate an education component that will consist of a number of programs. Activities with landholders will discuss current best practice management and promote integrated catchment management. Information on available funding sources and how to obtain technical advice will also be provided. Activities targeted at school children will increase awareness of the function of the river and catchment and the importance of correct land management. Activities targeted at the wider community will promote the project.

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