

NATURAL HERITAGE TRUST

Project Final Report

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NHT Project No.

1. (a) Project Administration

Project Title (Use the same title as in original project application)	Rehabilitation of Priority Wetlands in Berri Barmera LAP					
Name Of Organisation	Berri Barmera Local Action Planning Committee					
Contact Address	PO Box 229 BERRI SA 5343					
Project Manager	Paul Stribley	Ph: (08) 8582 1922	Fax: (08) 8582 3029			
Project Duration	Actual Start	Month 8	Year /2000	Actual Finish	Month 6	Year /2001

1. (b) Total Project Funding Details

Please provide information over the life of the project on the actual financial and in-kind contributions of the various stakeholders in the project, as set out below (in-kind employment contributions, operating costs and capital costs should be calculated according to the application guidelines that you used for your original funding application).

If you have unspent funds or retain assets these will have to be accounted for.

	Proponent Contribution (Funds & In-kind)	Other Contributor 1* (Funds & In-kind) Berri Barmera Council	Other Contributor 2* (Funds & In-kind) _____	NHT Funds	Total Project Funds
Approved	??? In-Kind + \$5 449	\$32 800		\$20 000	\$58 249
Paid employment costs (a)					
Operating costs (b)					
Capital costs (c)					
Expended (a+b+c)	\$ 5499	\$32 800		\$20 000	
In-kind employment	???	???			
Unspent					
TOTAL	\$5 499	\$32 800		\$20 000	\$58 249

* Provide names of other organisations contributing.

2(a). Describe the issues or problems addressed by the project

Provide a brief summary of the issues or problems that your project tackled, what you did in your project to resolve these and well it worked.

The original funding application for this project, totalling \$145 600 was rejected by NHT and reduced to \$20 000, which, after extensive consultation with the proponent, was decided to be spent on rehabilitating Martins Bend wetland due to the fact that local government input and funding was already committed and on ground works would be largely completed.

The project involved installing a box culvert structure to regulate carp movement and introduce wetting and drying to the wetland; rationalising tracks to protect floodplain vegetation; installing pipes to improve flow throughout the wetland.

All on-ground works were completed, with in-kind support provided by Berri Barmera Council, Berri Barmera Local Action Planning Committee, Berri Lions Club and the Martins Bend Steering Committee.

We now await a high river event so we can introduce a wetting cycle to the floodplain.

2(b). Project Performance against objectives/milestones.

Please provide information on the overall achievements of your project against your planned objectives and milestones. Indicate important achievements you have made in addition to your planned objectives. In some cases you may have had difficulties, or were unable to meet all, or some of your objectives. This should not be regarded as a failure. Please indicate if this has occurred and give an assessment of factors contributing to the difficulties (eg climatic conditions, group dynamics, late arrival of funds, inappropriate planning, local government regulations).

ACHIEVEMENTS AND IMPEDIMENTS

What did you set out to do? (List the objectives stated on your funding application)	Comment on the extent to which your objectives were met.	How did you measure your achievements, eg photos, surveys, attendance at seminars.
Install pipes, box culvert and carp screens	Completed	
Rationalise Tracks	Completed	

3(a) On-ground Outputs (total outputs achieved since the start of the project. Use original application to supply whole of project targets)

Activity	Total outputs achieved	Project Target
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Native vegetation/habitat

1) Total area of native vegetation works (Should equal 2) + 3) + 4)	ha	ha
2) Remnant protection works (remnants in relatively good condition)	ha	ha
3) Remnant rehabilitation works (including restoring links)	ha	ha
4) Revegetation works (predominantly in cleared areas)	ha	ha
5) Number of plants (not seed) planted.	No.	No.
6) Length of direct seeding lines	km	km
7) Length of protective fencing	km	km
8) Area of voluntary management agreements established	ha	ha
9) Covenanted areas established to protect remnant native vegetation	ha	ha
10) Area of works that protect/enhance threatened species/community habitat	ha	ha
11) Area of 10) protected by agreements as in 8) or 9)	ha	ha

Waterway or water body management

12) Waterway protected by fencing (usually both sides or divide by 2).	km	km
13) Length of fenced waterway revegetated.	km	km
14) Benefits downstream of waterway physical works (bed and banks, etc).	km	km
15) Benefits downstream of in-stream habitat works.	km	km
16) Benefits of environmental flows or water provided for wetlands.	ha/km	ha/km
17) Native fish restocking – number of fingerlings.	No.	No.
18) Native fish restocking – age of fingerlings.	months	months
19) Native fish restocking – native to the area?	Yes/No	Yes/No
20) Other beneficial waterway activities Specify type:	km	km

21) Pollution Control

Target Pollutants	Main Source	Initial Levels	Current levels	Target levels	% Improved
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Activity	Total outputs achieved	Project Target
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Control of Rising Watertables

22) Target area for ground water pumping systems installed	ha	ha
23) Area drained to control rising water tables	ha	ha
24) Area of planting/establishment in recharge areas	ha	ha
25) Area of planting/establishment in non-recharge areas	ha	ha
26) Using deep-rooted perennial crops/pastures.	ha	ha
27) Using local native species	ha	ha
28) Using non-local native species	ha	ha
29) Using exotic species	ha	ha

Water-use efficiency improvements

On-farm efficiency? <input type="checkbox"/>	Or Off-farm efficiency? <input type="checkbox"/>
30) By recycling treated effluent	ML % ML %
31) By recycling drainage water	ML % ML %
32) By use of wastewater	ML % ML %
33) By use of stormwater	ML % ML %
34) By more efficient water management systems	ML % ML %
35) By refurbishment of water supply channels	ML % ML %

Stabilisation of wind or water erosion – soil condition

36) By revegetation (including fencing out).	ha %	ha %
37) By control of grazing pressure.	ha %	ha %
38) By use of cropping technologies.	ha %	ha %
39) Gully erosion control.	ha %	ha %
40) Other Specify:	ha %	ha %

Improving the use of land within its capability

41) Area of land assessed for capability.	ha	ha
42) Area of land to be managed according to capability.	ha	ha

Improved weed and pest management

43) Estimated area of effective weed control (including aquatic)?	ha	No.
44) Estimated area of effective vertebrate pest control	ha	ha
45) Other specify:	ha	ha

Farm Forestry for demonstration or trial purposes

46) Number of landholders expected to be involved?	No.	No.
47) Area of native species for wood production	ha	ha
48) Area of native species primarily for non-wood production:	ha	ha
49) Area of exotic species for wood production?	ha	ha
50) Area of native forest for production?	ha	ha

3(b) Other Outputs

Achievements (product or service)	Description	Quantity	
		Total outputs achieved	Project Target
Education and awareness (including adoption of best management practices)			
Type of publication (report, brochure, book) or activity (demonstration, field day) and topic	Target audience and location	Quantity	
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Training			
Purpose and type of training activity	Target audience and location	Number of courses/workshops and number of people trained (and target for project)	
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Planning			
Name of plan or feasibility study (including project development and marketing strategies) and area of strategy (eg. regional, catchment, subcatchment)	Purpose of plan. Indicate priority issues identified (eg groundwater management, nutrient management, river restoration, salinity, farm forestry feasibility studies etc)	Number published	
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Monitoring			
What is being monitored?	How many sites, how often? Indicate major activities undertaken (eg surveying, mapping, soil sampling) and at what stages.	Number of people who participated	
The wetland is being monitored by waterwatch, Glossop High School and Martins Bend steering committee			
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Resource inventory			
Purpose of inventory	Indicate location. How many sites, how often? Is data to be included on Geographical Information Systems?	Area inventoried	
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3(c) Employee Information and Outputs: Indicate how many salaried staff and/or contract staff were employed in your project, and the length and level of their employment. For each person, indicate the outputs they were responsible for delivering, in order of importance.

	Salaried staff		Contractors or consultants	
	Total achieved	Project Target	Total achieved	Project Target
Number, description, length of employment			1	1
Outputs (in priority order)			All on ground works	All on ground works

4. Participation

How many people have been actively involved in your project (include employees and volunteers)?

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Which stakeholder groups have been involved in the project? List major groups who contributed to the technical, practical, financial or administrative aspects of the project, eg community groups, schools, tertiary institute, research organisations, local government, State Government, business, Indigenous groups.

Category	Name of Group	Type of Involvement	Number of Participants
Local Govt	Berri Barmera Council	Funds and In - Kind	3
Community group	Berri Lions Club	In Kind support	20
Community group	Martins Bend steering committee	In Kind support	8

5. Implementing Regional, Catchment and Local Area Planning

In what way has your project contributed to the development or implementation of a regional strategy or plan?

Wetland management falls into one of the key components of the Berri Barmera Local Action Plan. Also will assist with long term environmental flows projects.

6. Use of Project Results

Has your project had any benefits for any other groups? If so, by whom and in what way. How has your project been publicised. Attach copies of media coverage or other publicity. Has acknowledgment been given to the Natural Heritage Trust? If you have a photographic record please provide copies.

Improved recreational use of the area. A sign detailing how the structure works is due to made and Installed shortly

7. Program Administration

Please provide comments on administration of your project and your dealings with relevant government agencies.

I was not the Project Manager at the time of this project so can not answer this question

8. Future Action

How is your group planning to maintain the project after funding has ceased?

The project will be maintained with on going monitoring and operation of the structure as outlined in the Martins Bend wetland management plan

Do you intend to seek further Natural Heritage Trust funding, or funding from other sources to undertake further activities?

It is intended to seek further funding for vegetation protection, and the installation of a bird hide for Community education purposes. An educational walking trail with signposts is also proposed.

9. Group Declaration:

I declare that I am an authorised representative of the recipient organisation, that the information given on this form is complete and correct and that expenditure of moneys paid under the financial agreement has been solely upon the project and in accordance with the terms of the Agreement and its conditions.

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Signature		Date 9/5/02	Signature		Date 9/5/02