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Wanted: More trees for a healthier Namoi River

Funding is now available to assist landholders make on-farm improvements and help the Namoi River and its fish.

Department of Primary Industries (DPI), Fisheries Conservation Manager, Milly Hobson encouraged the local community to apply for the funding and become involved in the new two-year program.

“Funding is available through the ‘Connecting riverine communities in the Namoi’ project for a range of on-ground works that will allow the local community to get their hands dirty, make improvements to their property and enhance the local environment,” Ms Hobson said.

“Activities that will be funded include native tree planting, fencing, control of woody weeds, establishment of off-stream stock watering points, and the planting of windbreaks and wildlife corridors that connect areas to the river, creeks and wetlands.

“These activities will help protect and enhance the local environment, improving biodiversity and river health, whilst also looking after our land for future generations.”

Applications are invited from landholders, community groups, local councils and fishing clubs adjacent to the Namoi River and associated tributaries along the 150 kilometre reach from Gunnedah to downstream of Narrabri.

The ‘Connecting riverine communities in the Namoi’ project is supported through funding from the Australian Government’s Clean Energy Future Biodiversity Fund.

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Expression of Interest forms and additional project information can be found at http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fisheries/namoi_biodiversity

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