



Brendan Moylan MP

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SUPPORTING NORTHERN TABLELANDS LANDCARE WITH \$1.7 MILLION BOOST

Member for Northern Tablelands Brendan Moylan has welcomed more than \$1.7 million in funding for Landcare programs across the electorate under the latest round of the NSW Government's Landcare Enabling Program.

Local projects secured support through the program, with funding to be shared between North West Regional Landcarers Inc in Bingara (\$922,561) and the New England Landcare Network in Armidale (\$830,899).

Mr Moylan said Landcare continued to play a vital role in delivering practical outcomes across regional communities.

"Landcare succeeds because it is driven by local people with local on the ground knowledge delivering practical solutions for our communities," Mr Moylan said.

"This funding will help strengthen local networks, support volunteers and continue important projects across the Northern Tablelands.

"Whether it is restoring waterways, improving soil health, tackling erosion or helping landholders improve farm management practices, Landcare groups focus on practical outcomes that benefit both local communities and the environment."

"Regional communities understand that lasting environmental outcomes are achieved by working with landholders, not against them, and Landcare continues to prove that community led conservation works."

Landcare NSW chair Steve Bunnell said these projects are based on local priorities, community involvement.

"Landcare is often associated with planting trees, but in reality it represents one of the most cost-effective, community-driven environmental investments in New South Wales," he said.

"Importantly, it also strengthens partnerships with Aboriginal communities, supporting the integration of cultural knowledge into land management and ensuring stewardship of Country is shared and respected."

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Photo caption: New England Landcare chair Steve Harvey, Regional Landcare coordinator Keith Walker, Member for Northern Tablelands Brendan Moylan, local Landcare coordinator Struan Ferguson, vice chair David Steller, Armidale Urban Rivercare Group and director Bryan Johnston, and regional administration officer Shelomi Doyle.