



### Poplar removal on Tambo River

Over the coming weeks the East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority will be removing Poplars on the Tambo River downstream of the Princess Highway bridge at Swan Reach. These works will occur for approximately one kilometre along the right (west) bank. This removal program will be followed by planting of native species in autumn next year.

The East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority has been working closely with landholders to improve fish habitat, control weeds and revegetate the river bank. Controlling the Poplars on the Tambo River will improve the water quality and the biodiversity of the river. It will also allow for natural regeneration of the native species within the riparian zone. The control of Poplars in this reach will help to improve the overall river health by helping to prevent their spread further downstream.

The unnamed road on the right river bank will be closed for a two week period in September while machinery is operating.

A map showing the location of the works is available on the Authority's web site (<http://www.egcma.com.au/rivers/244/>).

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Caption: Poplars overhanging the river cause problems with bank stability.



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