

Eastwood Landcare wins funding for revegetation

Landcare groups across East Gippsland, including Eastwood, will receive State Government funding for a range of community projects.

Announced last week, the funding totals about \$163,000 from the Government's \$2 million Landcare Grants program.

The funding, distributed through the East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority, supports local groups carrying out environmental projects to improve regional biodiversity and land health.

Projects that will receive funding for on-ground works include:

* Bairnsdale Field and Game to help fund the protection of Jones Bay

State Game Reserve.

* Bruthen and District Landcare for the Bruthen Rail Trail rehabilitation and enhancement project.

* Dargo Landcare Group for Three Creek Care.

* Eagle Point Landcare Group for its Eagle Point Reserve improvement program.

* East Gippsland Landcare Network for land management best practices 2016-17.

* Eastwood Landcare Group for its revegetation project 2016-17.

* Far East Victoria Landcare to improve soil health and biodiversity in Far East Gippsland.

* Nagle College Landcare Group for a local rainforest project.

* Nungurner Landcare Group to help the Nungurner rainforest recovery.

* Romawi Landcare Group to improve Forge Creek water quality and the stabilisation of head cut Forge Creek.

* In addition, 18 community-based environment groups will each receive \$500 for group maintenance and support.

Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change, Lily D'Ambrosio, said the Victorian Landcare program was an investment in the future and "it's fantastic to see these local groups receiving grants to support their important environmental projects".