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ANOTHER NSW ENVIRONMENTAL GRANT TO LANDCARE

Member for Albury, Greg Aplin announced today that Holbrook Landcare Network has received a \$90,404 NSW Government grant to extend works within a high priority fragmented landscape in the Holbrook region.

Key actions will include the strengthening of existing roadways, creek lines and glide-ways (for threatened Squirrel glider), revegetation and fencing works to build new corridors, community awareness activities, and a pilot program engaging the community in managing isolated Travelling Stock Reserves for biodiversity values. An additional 35 hectares of on-ground works will be completed, along with increased community engagement and data collection on Squirrel Gliders in the Jindera region. The Bush Connect Supplementary grant program has provided additional funding to previously funded Bush Connect projects to further improve and protect habitat within the Great Eastern Ranges.

“Holbrook Landcare Network will be able to extend their conservation efforts,” Mr Aplin said. “The project is community driven and well managed by locally-based organisations which are dedicated to improving our environment.

“This work is important because it’s helping protect and improve habitat and passageways for native plants and animals, including threatened species.”

A total of five supplementary grants were awarded to ongoing Bush Connect projects across NSW.

For further information about the ongoing work visit:

<http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/grants/bushconnect.htm>

Today’s grant comes on top of last week’s NSW grant of \$40,790 to Corowa and District Landcare to protect key habitats in Corowa’s wetlands and to educate our community about the threatened Sloane’s Froglet which is used as a flagship species to engage schoolchildren and the broader community in caring for frogs, threatened species, and wetland habitats.

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