## **On-ground Implementation**

In general on-ground projects will be confined to non-urban zoned land within Tweed Shire and Council support will take the form of;

- Project appraisal and site inspection
- Negotiation of a TSC Biodiversity Grant Agreement
- Provision of materials and services: (cash payments will not be made to individual landholders)
- Ongoing technical advice
- Monitoring, evaluation and project management

# Community Group and Research Support

Grants are also open to incorporated community groups and researchers for projects that address the program objectives and lead to improved biodiversity management or policy within Tweed Shire.

### **Selection Process**

Expressions of interest for funding can be made throughout the year. Eligibility will be based on factors such as funds available, ecological benefits, value for money, technical capability, recipient commitment, site security and ongoing maintenance requirements.



#### **Interested?**

If you are interested in this opportunity please contact Council as detailed below. The first step in this process will be an appraisal of your proposal including a site inspection (where necessary) and discussion on works and outcomes that are possible and acceptable to all parties.

#### **Contact details:**

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# **Tweed Shire Council Biodiversity Grants**



Support for landholders, community groups and researchers to improve biodiversity management in the Tweed



# Tweed Shire Council Biodiversity Grants

The Tweed Shire supports an extremely rich biodiversity for which the region is nationally and internationally recognised.

Many biodiversity values are sensitive to a number of threatening processes and need to be actively managed.

Due to the widespread nature of these threats, council is interested in supporting the community to better manage biodiversity values on both public and private land.

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threatens bushland



# **Scheme Objectives**

Council aims to assist private land owners, community groups and researchers to undertake projects that contribute to the following ecological priorities within Tweed Shire:

- 1. Rehabilitation of degraded habitats
- 2. Restoration of previously cleared areas
- 3. Threatened species recovery
- 4. Management of threatening processes
- 5. Monitoring and research

The Cane Toad - an introduced species threatening biodiversity in the Tweed

# **Eligible Activities and Projects**

Typical projects include, but are not limited to:

- Bushland regeneration and environmental weed control
- Wildlife habitat improvement
- Stock exclusion and management
- Protection of existing native vegetation
- Revegetation projects
- Exotic pest management
- Threatened species recovery
- Support for community groups undertaking off-site biodiversity projects
- Research support leading to improved biodiversity management or policy

