

ACTIONS arising from the MCCG Strategic Plan 2017

- S1. Promote our understanding of the threats to the ecosystems of the catchment (climate, fire, diseases, pests, water use, urban and infrastructure development)
- **1.1** Use the findings of recent reviews, projects and published material to identify what threats exist across the various sections or remnant ecosystems and the identification of priority corridors (Project and Section Leaders)
- **1.2** Articles and regular project updates posted in Newsletter, on the website, the Facebook page, in the local media and at events (All committee members).
- S2. Develop and implement control strategies for exotic weed infestations that threaten remnant forests, woodlands and riparian areas in the catchment
- 2.1 Identify and map exotic weed (including aquatic weed) infestations in the catchment
- **2.2** Conduct weed identification sessions at the cottage to assist members
- 2.3 Collaborate with BCC, SEQW and HW&C to attract resources for and to implement weed control
- 2.4 Develop specific area/property projects for submission to funding bodies or collaborators
- 2.5 Identify areas at risk of Anzac Tree Daisy invasion. Develop project in upper Wonga creek sub-catchment (Adrian Webb).
- S3. Continue and extend development of the Nursery specializing in local native plant species and provision of free tubestock as an aid to restoring biodiversity on private land (Andrew Wilson, Bryan Hacker)
- **3.1** Ensure the continued operation of the Nursery to supply local native plant species to members at no cost
- **3.2** Encourage collection of local native plant seeds for submission to the nursery
- **3.3** Expand the Nursery's capacity for vegetative propagation
- **3.4** Conduct workshops on seed collection.



- S4. Develop long term (>5 years) strategies agreed by HB for the different ecological zones within the catchment on BCC controlled land to control major weed infestations that would allow restoration of local biodiversity.
- **4.1** Organise a workshop with MCCG, Brisbane Council and Healthy Land and Water with an agreed format and agreed attendee list (Malcolm Frost)
- **4.2** From this workshop develop a plan both for Lower Moggill Catchment and Upper Catchment that would be supported by council & HL&W (Malcolm Frost)
- **4.3** Report on progress annually (Malcolm Frost).
- S5. Assess current creek health of the catchment in conjunction with EPA, BCC, DNR&M and other responsible groups and analyse and make available relevant findings
- 5.1 Conduct and report on a bi-annual creek health monitoring program at 12 sites around the catchment (Adrian Webb)(Data entry priority)
- 5.2 Conduct monthly water quality monitoring in conjunction with BCC (Adrian Webb)
- 5.3 Identify/map areas with poor riparian condition, and propose management response
- 5.4 Identify and map key creek reaches at risk of erosion and bank collapse and propose management response
- **5.5** Encourage on-ground visits of creek hydrologist, with support of HB.
- S6. Promote land use practices with a focus on land stability, soil conservation, minimizing nutrient loss & reducing impacts on creek health
- **6.1** Work with HW&C to run workshops on specific land management topics
- **6.2** Assess risks to fauna.
- S7. Support cooperative, community led initiatives designed to address local ecological threats
- **7.1** Encourage neighbourhood cooperation particularly in areas of high ecological value to improve the connectivity of wildlife corridors in the catchment
- 7.1 Encourage Community led groups to become HB groups
- 7.2 Continue to support the existing community led groups aiming to protect and restore native vegetation on public and private land
- **7.3** Promote benefits and achievements of such groups on FB and website.



S8 Employ an integrated communication system using multiple channels to attract, retain and educate members

- 8.1 Develop and implement an integrated communication plan by March 2017
- 8.2 Maintain a quarterly Newsletter to members
- 8.3 Maintain and support MCCG Website and MCCG Facebook page
- 8.4 Conduct an annual Kid's Day at the Cottage (Dale Borgelt)
- 8.5 Investigate implementation of Mailchimp.

S9. Develop and implement a variety of community engagement strategies to engage members and new volunteers in projects and onground activities

- 9.1 Conduct a series of small 'field days' to assist members to better manage invasive weeds
- **9.2** Look for BCC support in providing a sign that members can display at the front of their property indicating membership in the Moggill Creek Catchment Group
- 9.3 Conduct a "welcome event" for new members at the cottage to explain opportunities for involvement
- 9.4 Conduct evening cottage talks.

S10. Utilise training opportunities offered by governments and other relevant agencies

10.1 Promote training opportunities provided by BCC and other sources (e.g. aquatic weed ID, Rapid appraisal of Riparian condition, creek health monitoring).

S11. Communicate the outcomes and applications of MCCG projects

- 11.1 Ensure project reports are filed for inclusion in the Annual Report and the 5 yearly Review (Chair)
- 11.2 Project leaders to prepare reports suitable for the Newsletter, website and Facebook (Project Leaders)
- **11.3** Compile and publish catchment landscape information:
 - Regional ecosystems
 - High Biodiversity Value (State Govt)
 - o Biodiversity corridor boundaries



- Stepping Stones
- o Climate Refugia
- Listed habitat for priority species
- o Aquatic conservation Assessment
- **11.4** Collate information on locally known scrub remnants (to combine with data from Cath Madden / LfW) for addition to the mapping. (Adrian Webb)
- **11.5** Promote via local meetings and fliers key management approach for CCC. "CCC control must be an integrated pest management approach biocontrol; herbicide; physical removal" (Adrian Webb).
- S12. Attract new members with appropriate skills to the management committee (Chair)
- **12.1** Appoint a committee person to lead recruitment
- **12.2** Advertise for expressions of interest through our communications channels
- 12.3 Request Bushcare leaders to identify people who may be interested in committee activities
- 12.4 Invite potential new members to participate in meetings and projects.
- S13. Support Section Leaders in managing and operating their groups (Chair)
- **13.1** Improve volunteer turnout especially for smaller groups
- 13.2 Regularly publicize the work of the sections in the newsletter and on the website and Facebook
- **13.3** Promote the idea that groups of friends or family members can make a significant contribution to the work of the sections by a once a year participation in a working bee or a special working bee.
- **13.4** Advertise the training opportunities available to members of Bushcare groups.
- \$14. Ensure that all project submissions are supported by appropriate strategic and operational planning
- **14.1** All project submissions to be vetted by the management committee.



- S15. Develop and maintain constructive and apolitical relationships with stakeholders (Chair)
- 15.1 Keep local political representatives informed and involved in relevant activities
- **15.2** Brief local politicians on issues critical to the catchment
- 15.3 Encourage MCCG representation on BCN.

\$16. Improve the effectiveness of our governance procedures (Chair)

- 16.1 Ensure our management procedures enable us to readily balance income and expenditure
- **16.2** Ensure that reporting enables timely decisions on resource allocation
- **16.3** Ensure project revenue and expenditure are readily identifiable
- 16.4 Ensure the MCCG has multiple revenue streams (funding bodies, donations, membership) sufficient for operations and to manage risk
- 16.4 Ensure the MCCG meets its obligations to retain the cottage and Nursery for future use and enjoyment.

S17. Promote the MCCG's ability to make a positive difference to our local natural environment

- 17.1 Establish a communication theme for 2017 and subsequent years. (2017....20th anniversary?)
- 17.2 Negotiate a more conspicuous partnership with Habitat Brisbane
- 17.3 Continue Cottage talks
- 17.4 Continue providing expert advice to landholders on-site regarding restoration of native vegetation on their land
- 17.5 Continue interacting with Land for Wildlife officers to the mutual benefit of both organisations
- 17.6 Continue staging the very successful Photography competition, focussing on local wildlife and ecology
- 17.7 Consider establishing a book club along the lines of CWCN.