

## QUESTION ON NOTICE

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DR FLEGG ASKED THE MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE PROTECTION (MR POWELL)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister outline what assistance is offered by the government to environmental organisations within the Moggill Electorate?

ANSWER:

The Queensland Government remains committed to supporting local communities to undertake grassroots activities with the goal of improving the local environment.

Through the *Everyone's Environment* grants program, the government has committed \$12 million over three years to fund such projects.

Round One saw 74 projects funded across Queensland to undertake a range of activities including tree planting, water quality monitoring, species protection, habitat rehabilitation and restoration, riparian works, pest and weed control and eradication and community clean up activities.

Of these, one community group, the Moggill Creek Catchment Group Inc. was successful in securing \$17,641.54 to undertake the Pacey Road Sub-Catchment Conservation Project. This project aims to repair and restore a degraded riparian corridor in a small bushland sub-catchment in peri-urban Brisbane in the catchment of Moggill Creek. The project aims to improve ecosystem resilience and connectivity.

Round Two of the *Everyone's Environment* grants program closed on 31 May 2013 and community groups from across the state submitted applications.

The amount of \$4 million is available for Round Two with projects between \$2,000 and \$100,000 considered. It is anticipated that announcement of successful projects will occur by early September 2013.