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Wetland Restoration

[Fish recovery good news for Murray River \(SA\)](#)

Elliot Brennan

Recent rains and a coordinated effort to captive breed native fish are breathing new life into the Murray. The resurgence of critically endangered native fish in the Murray Darling river system may be an indication that the stressed ecosystem is beginning to recover.

[Read the full article 'Fish recovery good news for Murray River \(SA\)'
www.australiangeographic.com.au/journal/fish-recover-good-news-for-murray-river.htm](http://www.australiangeographic.com.au/journal/fish-recover-good-news-for-murray-river.htm)

[Endangered frogs released into Pambula wetlands \(NSW\)](#)

The NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) has released 50 juvenile Green and Golden Bell Frogs and a further 500 tadpoles into Pambula wetlands to bolster an existing population that began from 6000 tadpoles released over the past six years.

[Read more about the 'Endangered frogs released into Pambula wetlands \(NSW\)'](#)

[Native fish enjoy improved habitat in the Upper Hunter River \(NSW\)](#)

Over 500 logs have been used improve fish habitat and river bank stability in the Upper Hunter River, near Muswellbrook. NSW Department of Primary Industries (NSW DPI) Conservation Manager, Kylie Russell, said funds from the NSW Recreational Fishing Trust and the Commonwealth and NSW Government through the Hunter-Central Rivers Catchment Management Authority were used to complete the works.

[Read the full article 'Native fish enjoy improved habitat in the Upper Hunter River \(NSW\)'
www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/aboutus/news/recent-news/fishing-and-aquaculture/native-fish-enjoy-improved-habitat](http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/aboutus/news/recent-news/fishing-and-aquaculture/native-fish-enjoy-improved-habitat)

Wetland Management

[Shooting fish in a barrel? \(NSW\)](#)

Laura Eadie

There is evidence to suggest marine parks may benefit recreational fishers. So why is the Shooters and Fishers party threatening to

block the NSW parliament if marine parks are introduced?

[Read the full article 'Shooting fish in a barrel? \(NSW\)'
www.abc.net.au/environment/articles/2011/05/02/3203790.htm](http://www.abc.net.au/environment/articles/2011/05/02/3203790.htm)

New coastal plan reveals our flooded future (Qld)

The new State Coastal Plan released by the Queensland Government today shows extensive areas threatened by enhanced sea level rises and storm surges resulting from climate change. The Coastal Plan also identifies areas of high environmental significance, including rivers, wetlands and coastal foreshores, which are to be protected from development.

[Read the full article 'New coastal plan reveals our flooded future \(Qld\)'
http://www.wwf.org.au/news/new-coastal-plan-reveals-our-flooded-future/](http://www.wwf.org.au/news/new-coastal-plan-reveals-our-flooded-future/)

Wetlands Under Threat

World watching plans to restore health to wetlands and rivers (AUS)

Ben Cubby

Rivers and wetlands will bear the brunt of climate change and governments around the world are failing to manage many of the more vulnerable areas properly, says a series of new papers published today.

[Read the full article 'World watching plans to restore health to wetlands and rivers \(AUS\)'
www.smh.com.au/environment/water-issues/world-watching-plans-to-restore-health-to-wetlands-and-rivers-20110321-1c3w5.html](http://www.smh.com.au/environment/water-issues/world-watching-plans-to-restore-health-to-wetlands-and-rivers-20110321-1c3w5.html)

Wetland expert puts focus on Point Grey's Coastal Process (WA)

Local residents, fisherman and conservation groups gathered at a public meeting to discuss concerns a proposed marina at Point Grey will have on the Peel-Harvey Estuary.

Mr Vic Seminiuk from the Wetlands Research Association spoke about the coastal process in the area of Point Grey, estuarine sedimentation and the significance of the proposed area being RAMSAR listed.

[Read the full article 'Wetland expert puts focus on Point Grey's Coastal Process \(WA\)'
www.dredgingtoday.com/2011/04/14/wetland-expert-puts-focus-on-point-greys-coastal-process-australia/](http://www.dredgingtoday.com/2011/04/14/wetland-expert-puts-focus-on-point-greys-coastal-process-australia/)

Wetlands Around the World

Restoration underway for damaged underwater grasses after BP spill (USA)

As part of the ongoing Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) that has followed the deepwater BP oil spill, federal and state partners have reached an agreement with BP to begin a new effort to restore submerged aquatic vegetation that was damaged by response vessels and activities.

[Read the full article 'Restoration underway for damaged underwater grasses after BP spill \(USA\)'](#)

Wetland Education and Resources

Working together to monitor seagrass in Queensland's RAMSAR sites (Issue 19 of Wetlands Australia 2011) (Qld)

'MangroveWatch Burnett Mary Region has successfully completed its first year and established itself as a powerful community driven environmental monitoring method with outcomes relevant to our scientific understanding, improved management of tidal wetlands, and climate change adaptation. Here we outline the role of MangroveWatch, how it works, and why it works.

[Follow the link for information on 'Working together to monitor seagrass in Queensland's RAMSAR sites \(Qld\)'](#)

Wetland Events

World Migratory Bird Day 2011 (Qld)

On Saturday, 14 May 2011, Brisbane City Council's Environment Centres are celebrating World Migratory Bird Day. This annual event promotes the conservation of migratory birds and their habitats.

[To find out more about 'World Migratory Bird Day 2011 \(Qld\)' follow the link](#)

www.brisbane.qld.gov.au/environment-waste/bushland-waterways/environment-centres/events-and-activities/world-migratory-bird-day-2011/index.htm

WetlandCare Australia News

Tussock Talk (NSW, ACT)

WetlandCare Australia's Regional Coordinator Michael Pattison features in the March 2011 Tussock Talk newsletter. Take a look on page 2 to read his article on the Environmental Impacts of Serrated Tussock.

[Read 'Tussock Talk \(NSW, ACT\)'](#)

www.wetlandcare.com.au/Content/articlefiles/861-Tussock%20Talk%20March%202011.pdf

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