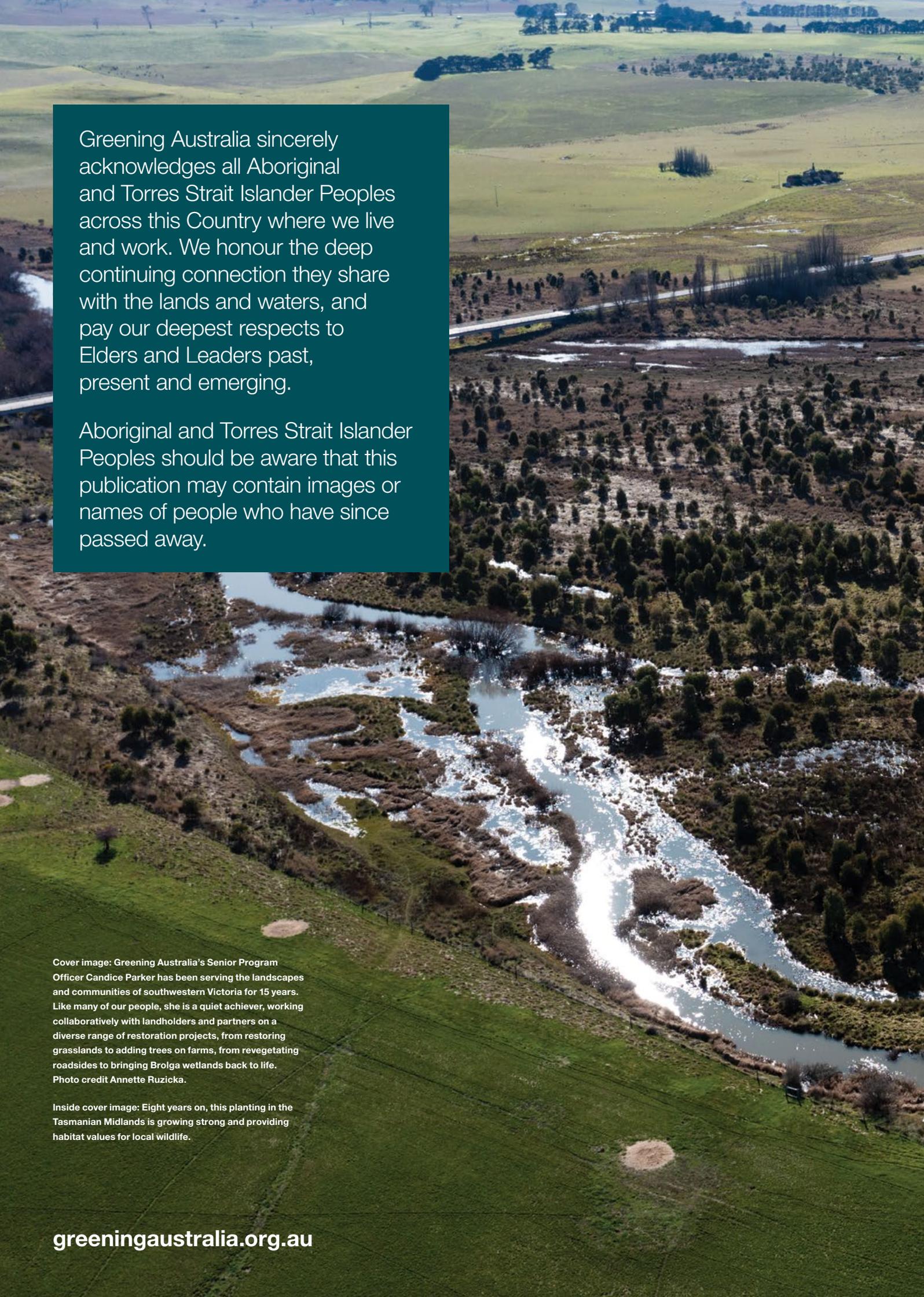


**Year in review**

**2022**

**1982 – 2022**



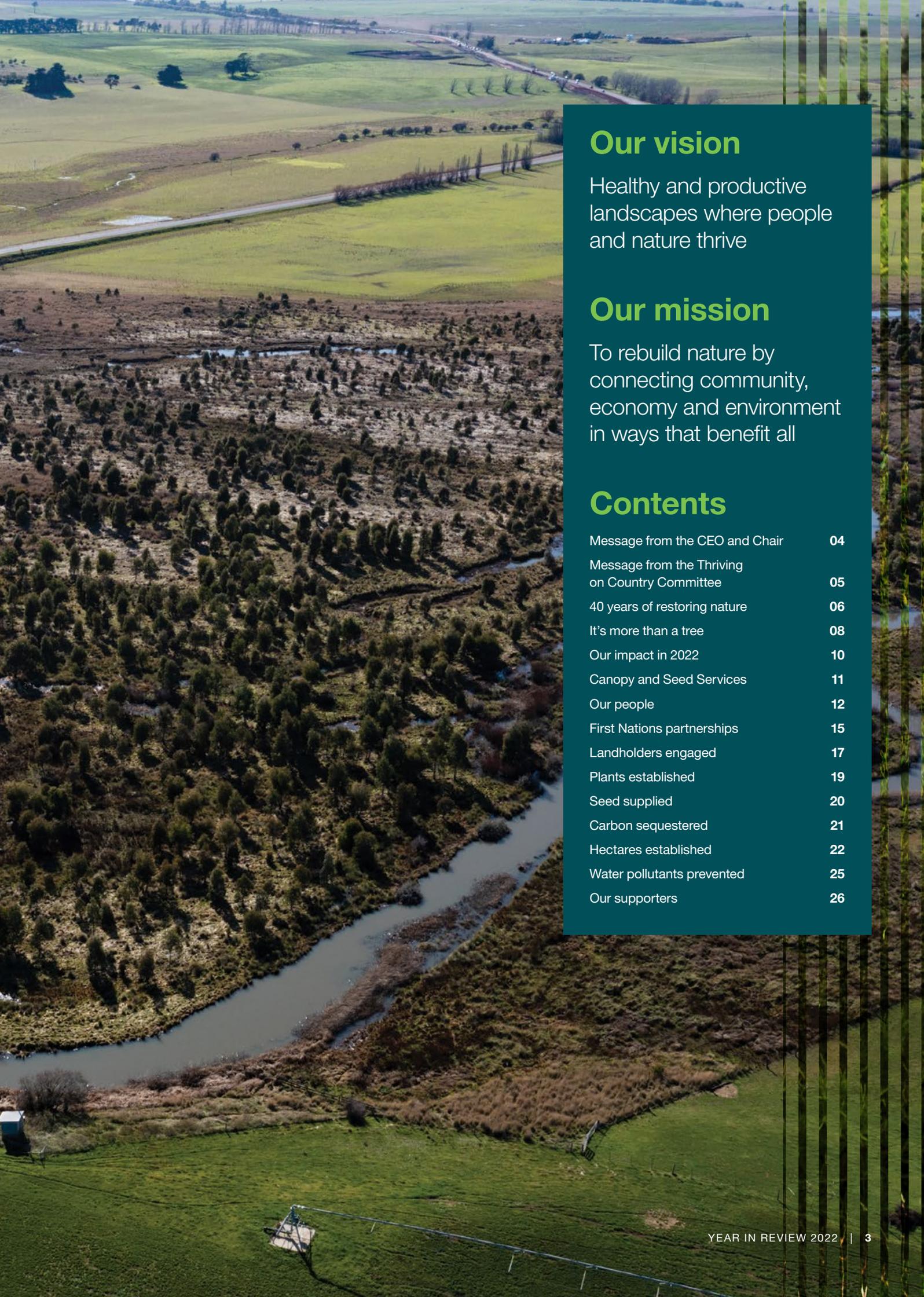
An aerial photograph showing a winding river in a landscape. The river flows from the top right towards the bottom left. The surrounding land is a mix of green grasslands and brownish, possibly restored or natural wetlands. A road runs horizontally across the middle of the image. The background shows rolling green hills under a clear sky.

Greening Australia sincerely acknowledges all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples across this Country where we live and work. We honour the deep continuing connection they share with the lands and waters, and pay our deepest respects to Elders and Leaders past, present and emerging.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples should be aware that this publication may contain images or names of people who have since passed away.

Cover image: Greening Australia's Senior Program Officer Candice Parker has been serving the landscapes and communities of southwestern Victoria for 15 years. Like many of our people, she is a quiet achiever, working collaboratively with landholders and partners on a diverse range of restoration projects, from restoring grasslands to adding trees on farms, from revegetating roadsides to bringing Brolga wetlands back to life. Photo credit Annette Ruzicka.

Inside cover image: Eight years on, this planting in the Tasmanian Midlands is growing strong and providing habitat values for local wildlife.



## Our vision

Healthy and productive landscapes where people and nature thrive

## Our mission

To rebuild nature by connecting community, economy and environment in ways that benefit all

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# Message from the CEO and Chair

At Greening Australia we don't spend a lot of time looking back. However, during this milestone 40th year, we have reflected on how our focus has evolved when it comes to making real impact for Australian landscapes.

From our beginnings, with many small projects dotted around the country, our understanding of the scale and urgency of the problems we face has grown. We shifted to focusing on delivering large-scale restoration programs and set ambitious science-based 2030 goals to drive improved outcomes for communities, economies and the environment.

Now as we lean into this pivotal decade for ecosystem restoration, we are sharpening our focus once more. We've seen movement nationally toward priorities for which Greening Australia has long been advocating, including the establishment of a national biodiversity market and a commitment to protect 30 percent of Australia's land and sea by 2030. However, as the latest State of the Environment report shows, the need for action on climate change and biodiversity loss is rapidly accelerating.

In response, as our 2025 Strategy Roadmap shows (see page 9), we are shifting towards developing and delivering market-based products and services as a means to fund, scale up and effect nature-based solutions to our climate challenges. We are prioritising securing native seed supply and land access for plantings, and broadening our participation in environmental markets through our company Canopy.

This approach is already playing out in tangible ways at scale, including our delivery of high impact restoration projects with organisations such as AstraZeneca and Nestlé, and our purchase of Jarrega Farm in Western Australia (WA) for biodiverse carbon plantings and new native seed production areas.

We also launched our Reconciliation Action Plan and established our Thriving on Country Board committee, as part of our determination to amplify the perspectives, knowledge and enterprises of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples in the restoration sector – essential for this country's people and nature to truly thrive.

This year's achievements are a credit to our people, who continue to deliver outstanding, quality environmental restoration despite impacts to our operations from COVID-19 and La Niña conditions. We are delighted to present this Year in Review as we continue to focus on what the world needs us to do for Australia's unique and special landscapes, and all the species they support.



**Brendan Foran**  
CEO



**James Atkins**  
Chair

## OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### Chair

James Atkins

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Gordon Davis

John Hope

Julie Green

Radha Kuppalli

Dr Robert Smith

Robin Romero

Stephen Dunne (incoming)

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Georgina Myburgh (outgoing)

Karen Lukins (incoming)

## OUR LEADERSHIP TEAM

### Chief Executive Officer

Brendan Foran

### Chief Financial Officer

Clare Luehman

### Chief Operating Officer

Ian Rollins (outgoing)

### Chief People and Capability Officer

Lianne Elliffe

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Kate Smith

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Hugh Wareham

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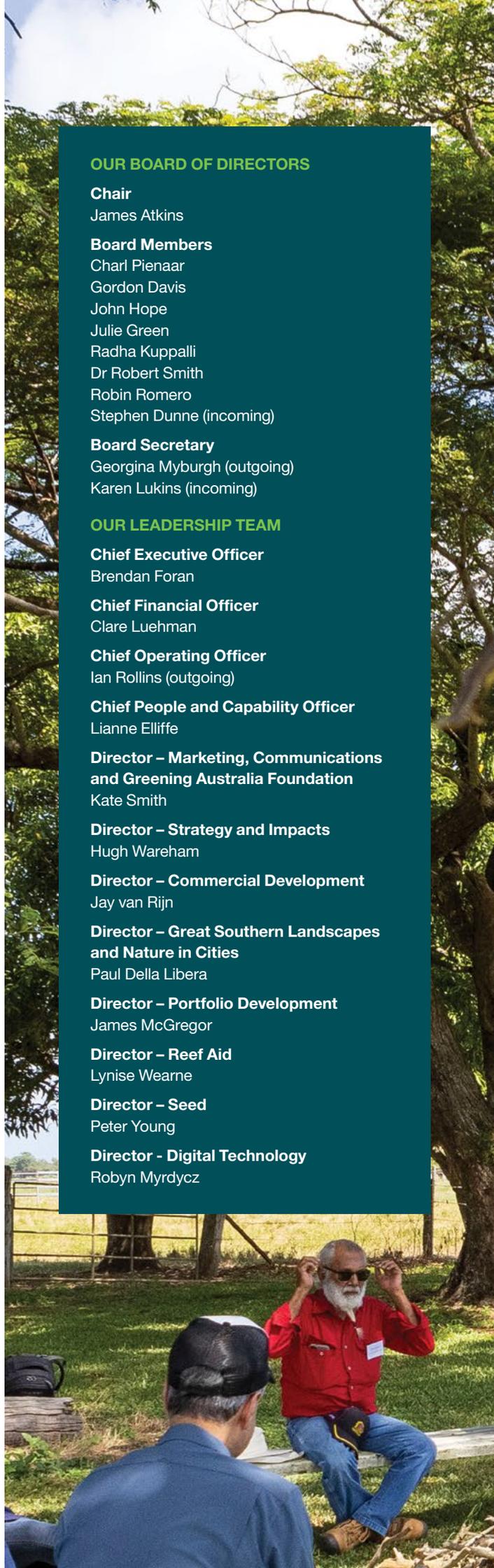
Lynise Wearne

### Director – Seed

Peter Young

### Director - Digital Technology

Robyn Myrdycz



# Message from the Thriving on Country Committee

In the past year, against a backdrop of political and cultural change and transition, Greening Australia's Thriving on Country Committee has been directly involved in changes at an organisation and nation-wide level.

The renewed focus on the powerful path forward set by the Uluru Statement of the Heart, and innovative new projects working to embed First Nations participation in the restoration economy, have helped to keep our ambitions moving.

In the first year of Greening Australia's Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), we in the committee have helped the organisation build the foundations for strong and ongoing action on reconciliation with First Nations Peoples. While Greening Australia has engaged in respectful relationships with First Nations Peoples for 40 years, we have seen a greater recognition of the crucial importance of integrating cultural land and water management practices into their restoration work.

Important steps are being taken to foster reconciliation at every level of the organisation, from guiding decision-making at the Board and executive level, to improving First Nations employment and retention, and supporting partnerships that have meaningful and sustained benefits for First Nations Peoples, organisations and enterprises.

We are grateful for the willingness of Greening Australia's leadership team to build trusting relationships that support the strategic attainment of goals and outcomes. The Thriving on Country Committee is one of only two committees in the organisation that speak directly to the Board – a testament to Greening Australia's commitment to elevate, listen to and understand the diversity of First Nations Peoples' voices, knowledge and lived experiences.

We know that change does not always come swiftly, and we commend Greening Australia for taking their considered approach to focus on the quality of actions being taken that can be transforming, as opposed to a tick-box experience. As committee members, we will continue to support Greening Australia along their best practice journey to ensure that First Nations inclusion is embedded into every level of the organisation.



**Scott Anderson**  
Co-Chair



**James Atkins**  
Co-Chair

A formally recognised committee to the Greening Australia Board, the Thriving on Country Committee is integral to the delivery, evaluation, improvement, reporting and governance of Greening Australia's reconciliation journey.

## OUR THRIVING ON COUNTRY COMMITTEE

### Co-Chairs

James Atkins  
Scott Anderson

### Committee Members

Dave Mangenner Gough  
Dr Elizabeth McEntyre  
Karen Jacobs  
Kieren Gibbs  
Sian Gillam

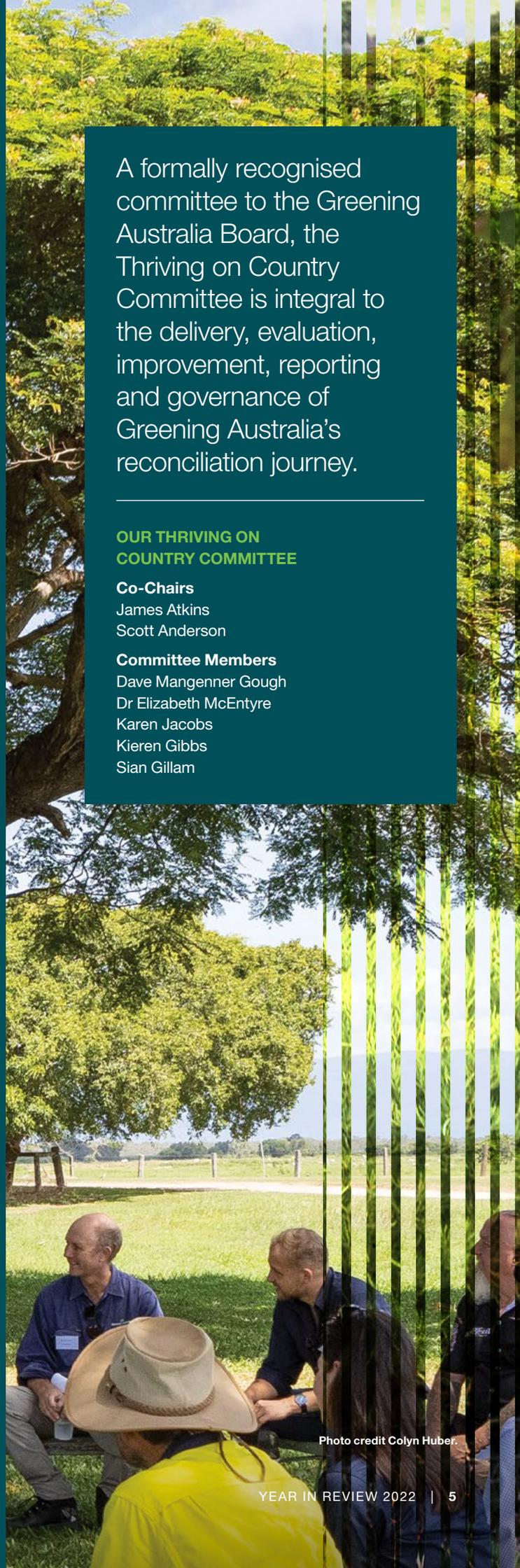
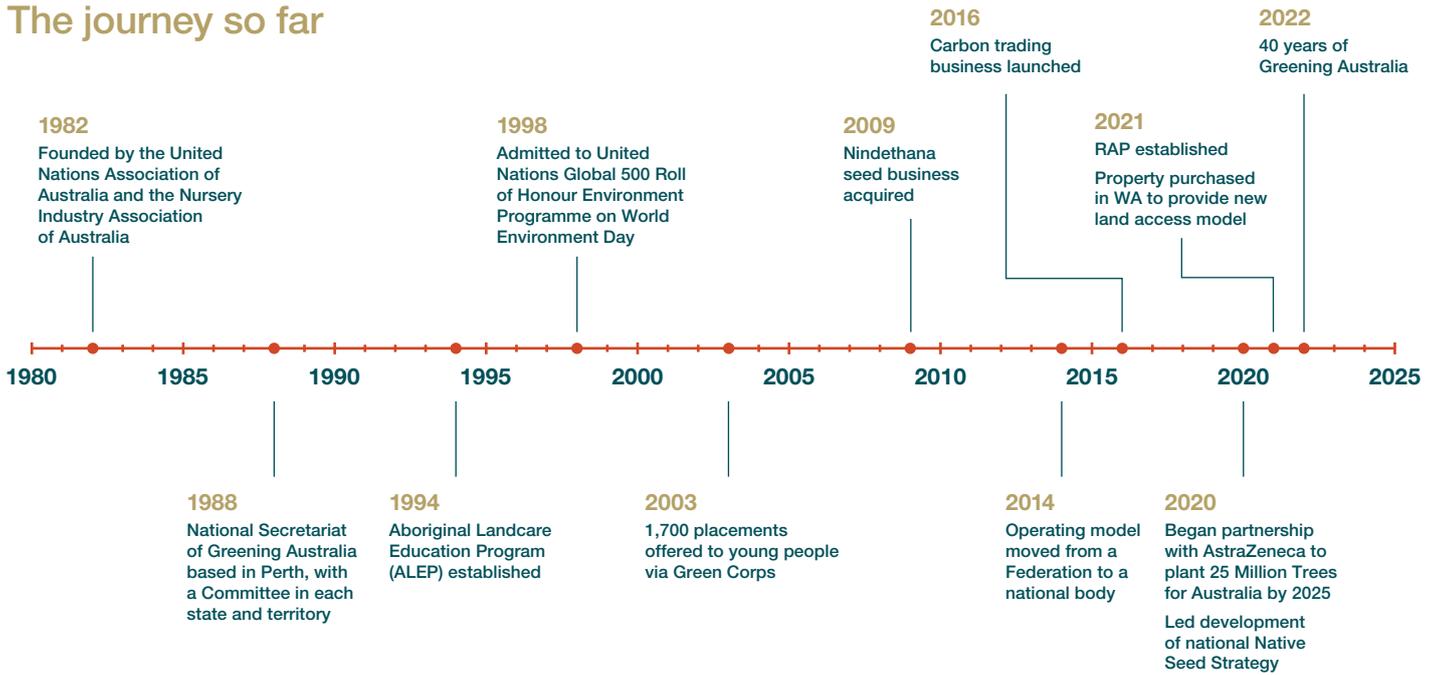


Photo credit Colyn Huber.

# 40 years of restoring nature

From our beginnings in 1982, the International Year of the Tree, Greening Australia has grown to become a force for nature in this country. This organisation was born out of a need for change, and our mandate for restoring nature has only become more urgent in 2022, our 40th year.

## The journey so far



40 YEARS OF IMPACT

**110+**  
million plants established

**30,000+**  
landholders engaged



Over our 40-year history, we have continually adapted and refined our approach to restoration, making far-reaching contributions to the development of Australia's environmental sector. For example, we have been instrumental in developing new technology and equipment for direct seeding. Tools of the trade then (left) and now (right - photo credit Jesse Collins).



## THE MONEY TREE

Nature, communities and economies are all interconnected - one can't thrive without the others. As part of our 40 year celebrations, Greening Australia partnered with Bank Australia to jointly commission the Money Tree, a tangible symbol of the interconnection between the environment and the economy. The Money Tree was part of a national campaign to raise public awareness of the value of nature and the cost of not recognising this. Integrating iconic Australian species into the design using recycled and salvaged materials, the artwork demonstrates that choosing the economy and choosing the environment is not an either/or proposition.

The artist created 40 branches of the tree, one to represent each year of Greening Australia's history, and our leadership role in restoring Australia's unique landscapes and protecting biodiversity with science-led, on-ground solutions that benefit communities, economies and nature.

As a science-led organisation we backed up the message of the Money Tree artwork by highlighting the economic and scientific data that supports it, in a White Paper produced with nine leading Australian and global experts.

 To learn more, visit [greeningaustralia.org.au/the-money-tree](https://greeningaustralia.org.au/the-money-tree)

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**“Shifting the way we view the relationship between the environment and the economy is key to our success. The reality is, our greatest risk is the economic and human cost of doing nothing to protect and restore nature.”**  
- Brendan Foran, Greening Australia CEO

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Artist Michael Moerkerk with the Money Tree.  
Photo credit Christopher Chan.

## It's more than a tree

To tackle the global challenges of climate change and biodiversity loss, we need to be serious about our impact. Greening Australia aims to be this country's leading integrated environmental restoration company.

This year we developed and launched a 2025 Strategy Roadmap to set Greening Australia's organisational priorities over the medium term. This work is helping improve our focus to ensure we prioritise 'what the world needs us to do' and don't get distracted by activities that are not as important or that others are better placed to deliver.

**As part of our work to review and refine a strategy for Greening Australia we agreed on an updated mission with the Board: *To rebuild nature by connecting community, economy and environment in ways that benefit all.***

## Refined 2030 goals

We reviewed and streamlined our 2030 goals to align with a strategic shift from delivering large-scale restoration programs to delivering market-based products and services that drive impact at scale.

Many of the goals remain the same, but we have added or amended some, and reduced the total number so we can improve our focus on what nature and the community need Greening Australia to do. We are also developing a new science framework to underpin and further quantify our impact.



**500,000,000**

Native plants established



**330,000**

Hectares of habitat established



**3,300,000**

Tonnes of carbon sequestered per annum



**185**

Tonnes of native seed supplied to restoration projects



**3,000**

Landholders engaged in restoration projects



**100**

First Nations partnerships



**475,000**

Tonnes of water pollutants prevented from reaching the Great Barrier Reef

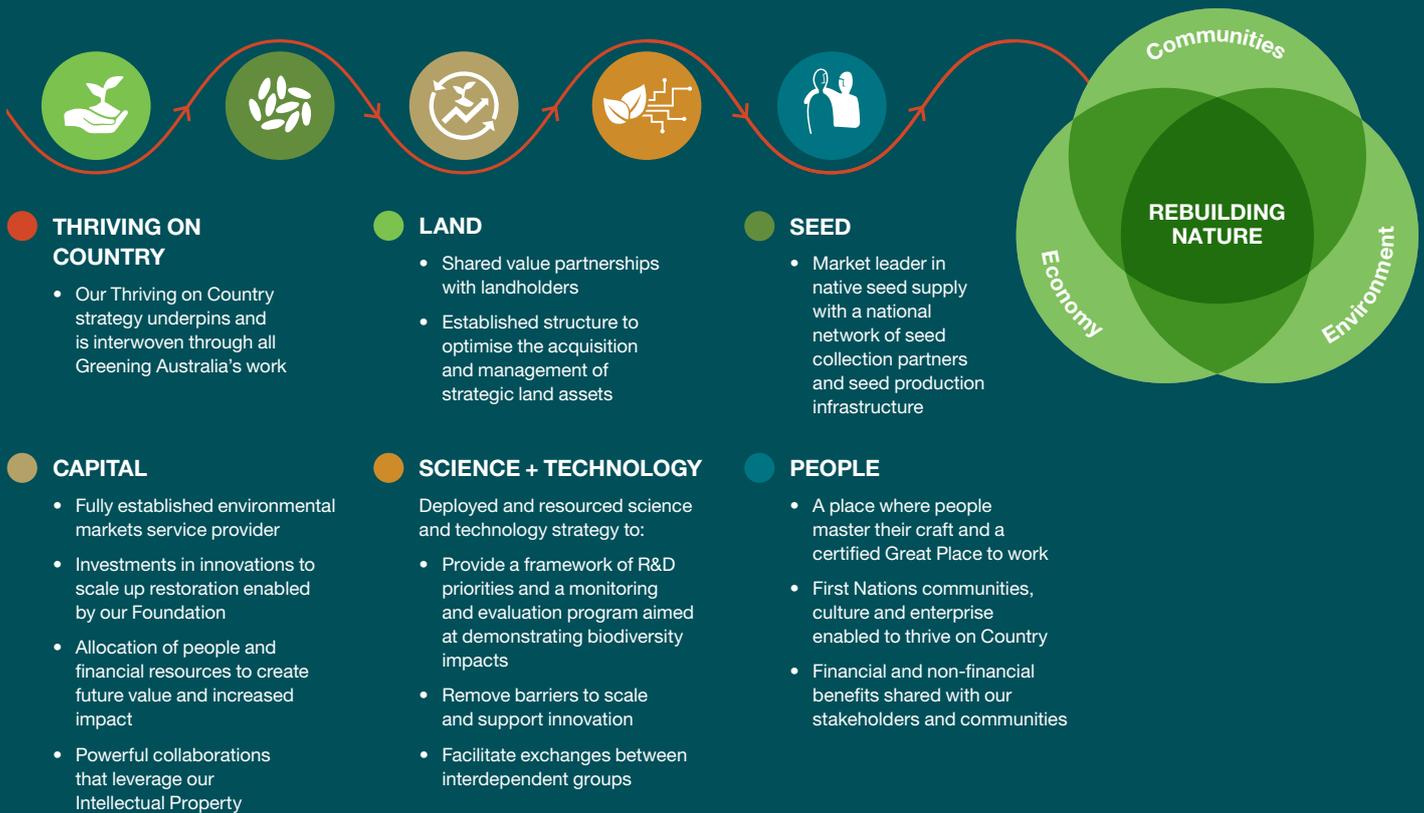
Note: Progress towards the goals is being measured from 2018-2030.

# 2025 Strategy Roadmap

We've identified fourteen key priorities to direct our progress to 2025, as we work towards achieving our 2030 goals. These priorities are grouped under five key themes: land, seed, capital, science and technology, and people.

The strategy is underpinned by a five-year Capital and Finance Plan to achieve the roadmap to 2025 and beyond.

We recognise that the whole sector needs a shift in approach to meet the challenges ahead and Greening Australia will work with organisations such as the Australian Land Conservation Alliance (ALCA) to help the sector do just that.



South Australian (SA) team members during a community planting event for the Field River Valley Restoration project in Adelaide. Photo credit Michael Haines.

## Our impact in 2022



**4,200,791**

Native plants established



**5,077**

Hectares of habitat established



**50,781**

Tonnes of carbon sequestered per annum



**5.948**

Tonnes of seed supplied for restoration projects



**168**

Landholders engaged<sup>^</sup>



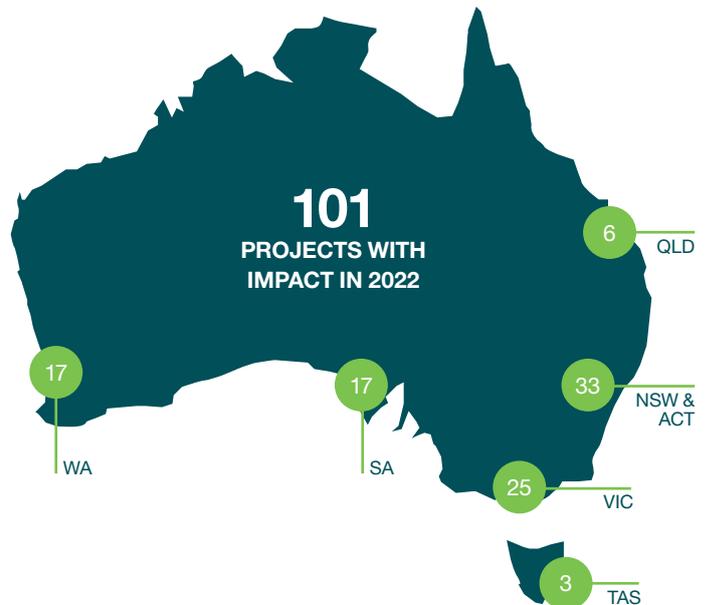
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First Nations partnerships\*



**10,380**

Tonnes of water pollutants prevented from reaching the Great Barrier Reef



Note: La Niña conditions have pushed on-ground delivery of some FY22 stems into FY23, which also affects hectares of habitat established and tonnes of carbon sequestered.

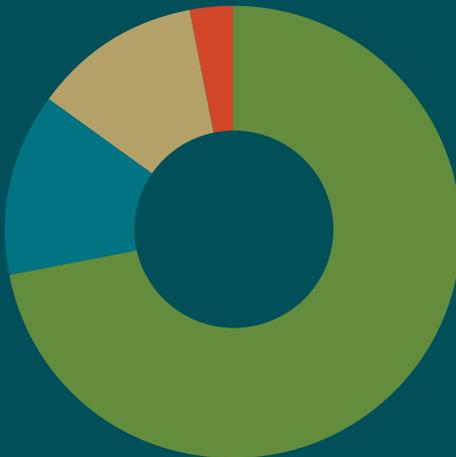
<sup>^</sup>This number represents landholders with whom we have signed agreements during FY22.

\*This value reflects formal agreements with First Nations groups as well as relationships without formal agreements.



### WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM

Business	70%
State Government	11%
Philanthropy	9%
Australian Government	8%
Local Government	1%
Regional Natural Resource Management Groups	1%



### WHERE THE MONEY GOES

Biodiverse restoration	72%
Gully and wetland restoration (water pollutants)	13%
Seed infrastructure and supply	12%
Capacity building	3%

# Canopy and Seed Services: a nature-positive future

The global economy is underpinned by nature. According to the World Economic Forum, more than half of the world's economic output is highly or moderately dependent upon nature.

Companies and governments are recognising the urgent need to understand the impact their value chains and operations have on nature, anticipating the wider adoption of global frameworks like the Taskforce for Climate-Related Financial Disclosures and Taskforce for Nature-related Financial Disclosures.

With the combined strength of our national seed services including Nindethana, and

our nature-based solutions business Canopy, we are the only organisation in Australia providing end-to-end restoration solutions that support the development of a nature-based economy. With practical oversight over our entire supply and operational chain, we can ensure we make an impact for nature now and into the future.

As a result, we can support business, government and private investors to take

action on climate change and biodiversity loss by offering high impact nature-based solutions that support the UN Sustainable Development Goals and contribute to a net zero and nature-positive future.

With the combined strength of our national seed services including Nindethana, Greening Australia's on-ground restoration expertise, and our nature-based solutions business Canopy, we provide end-to-end restoration solutions that contribute to a nature-positive future.



Seed Supply



On-ground delivery



Environmental credits

## Canopy

Established in 2016 to develop carbon credits from Greening Australia's restoration projects, Canopy is now one of the largest producers of carbon credits in Australia under the environmental planting methodology. In 2022, we changed our name from Biodiverse Carbon Conservation to Canopy because we believe that a nature-positive future is about more than carbon credits – it's about reversing nature loss and rebuilding ecosystems.

Our team of specialists work in the emerging environmental credit markets, leveraging Greening Australia's 40 years of expertise to design high quality projects that deliver credits, including through large-scale reforestation of native species, by gully and river rehabilitation, wetland restoration, and by creating new habitat for our unique flora and fauna. Canopy projects are designed to help establish new income streams through the creation of environmental credits for landholders and Traditional Owners, employ local contractors, and create long-term protection for restored sites.

 To learn more about Canopy, visit [canopy.org.au](https://canopy.org.au)

## Our Seed Services

Our seed businesses such as Nindethana play a critical role in enabling Greening Australia to meet our 2030 goals. Our preferred restoration model is to combine the planting of seedlings with the direct drilling of seed to maximise biodiverse outcomes. Our seed businesses provide the seed for direct drilling and can be called upon to supply the seed for seedlings as well.

We support a national network of seed collection partners who wild harvest seed from the required specific geographical provenances. These harvested seeds are dried, cleaned and treated to break dormancy where required, then packaged and delivered to site ready for use in seeding machines or to be planted out in the nursery. These seeds form the basis of all Greening Australia's restoration.

 To learn more about our seed businesses, visit [greeningaustralia.org.au/services-native-seed](https://greeningaustralia.org.au/services-native-seed)



We are working with First Nations partners to build up the native seed capacity of the entire restoration sector. Approximately 20,000 native seedlings grown by an Aboriginal-run business, from seed collected by First Nations ranger groups, were planted with four different Noongar ranger groups in regional WA this winter. Photo credit Jesse Collins.



# Our people

# 72%

Employee engagement score\*

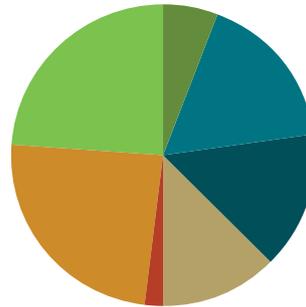
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New starters

## People + Flexibility

Our most popular themes\* are Great People and Flexibility and Work Life Balance.

\*as per employee survey, July 2022



### STAFF STATE SPLIT

ACT	9
NSW	26
QLD	22
SA	19
TAS	3
VIC	37
WA	36

In the past year, our team has had to overcome extreme weather events, the ongoing effects of the pandemic, as well as the time pressures of unlocking land, seed and capital so we can fulfill our mission of rebuilding nature.

When we ask our teams what has helped most in navigating these challenges, it often comes down to one thing: the people of Greening Australia and the support we provide each other. In the past 12 months we have delivered our largest ever portfolios of work while also taking time to reflect on how we can improve and grow further. We have continued to learn, share and collaborate with each other to respond to the environmental crises around us.



Dave Warne, our longest serving current team member, with colleagues Angela Reid, Candice Parker and Jess Gardner collecting grass seed in country Victoria.



**Dr Blair Parsons | General Manager - Science and Design**

**What was your biggest challenge this year?** Redirecting

our thinking as a team about how Greening Australia can create genuine impact. We need to clearly state goals and objectives, embed process to work efficiently and cost effectively, and measure our progress beyond project activities and outputs. To help achieve this, the Science and Design team is working to integrate some key initiatives into the organisation including prioritisation and planning, spatial infrastructure and consistent monitoring and evaluation.

**What motivated you/your team?**

We see real-world indicators of intensifying biodiversity loss and climate change in landscapes where we work. While searching for evidence-based solutions to these problems can be overwhelming at times, we also feel optimism because we work for an action-focused organisation where

we can change things for the better.

This is both a privilege and a responsibility that keeps us pushing every day.

**What was the most important thing for you and the team?** Stepping out of

the pandemic's shadow and renewing connections. We could finally return to offices, get into the field, meet partners and clients face to face, and travel interstate. Some of us met in person for the first time, having worked together online for months or even years prior. The importance of these connections cannot be overstated.

**What was your biggest win?** Seeing the amazing restoration work being done by our organisation and how our team can support the pursuit of continuous improvement. This includes planning and design of Seed Production Areas, research and trials to improve outcomes in difficult soils, new processes for organising our restoration thinking and information, and science partnerships focused on culture, fire, climate and environmental markets. Plus we bought a new drone... always cool, right?



**Paden Wilson | Operations Lead - Native Seed Centre for Restoration**

**What was your biggest challenge**

**this year?** Establishing a native seed production area is challenging at the best of times. This year we struggled with ongoing impacts from the pandemic on our team's ability to come to work. On top of this, we had flooding and consistent rain – which directly affected team members as well as our plants that are adapted to dry conditions.

**What motivated you/your team?** A lot that happens in the world is out of our control, but we believe our work makes a positive difference to the bigger picture. It's important to acknowledge the wins and it's incredibly motivating to see what we've achieved. We are also inspired by Greening Australia's planting successes and want to be able to track the journey of a seed to where it is planted so we can follow the restoration story.

## 152 Employees

### STAFF GENDER SPLIT

■ Female	54%
■ Male	46%

As of July 2022. None currently recorded as non-binary.



WA team members with Board directors and the executive during a visit to Jarrega Farm. Photo credit Jesse Collins.

**What was the most important thing for you and the team?** Taking time to review our seed production approach. We considered the external market as well as our seed request and supply data to determine which species should be our focus. We also assessed our propagation, what's worked and hasn't and what should change. We made a more regimented wild collection plan, aligned with species we want to propagate. By creating systems based on demand and improvement, we are ultimately able to increase our impact.

**What was your biggest win?** Despite the challenges, we saw a one tonne increase in the amount of locally sourced native seed we could supply for restoration. We also proudly showcased our work by bringing people to site and exchanged knowledge with First Nations groups and educational organisations. We are passionate about our part in addressing the world's major environmental challenges.



### CURRENT TOP 10 LONGEST SERVING TEAM MEMBERS

Name	Role	Years of service
David Warne	Program Specialist	27
Jenifer Luscombe	Senior Seed Officer	27
David Warren	Senior Program Officer	24
Mark Luscombe	Seed Consultant	23
Pete Nash	Operations Manager	22
Simon Bey	Program Specialist	21
Nicola Taws	Program Specialist	20
Michael Durant	Land and Restoration Lead	20
Robyn Myrdycz	Director of Digital Technology	20
Barry Heydenrych	Program Specialist	19

Long-serving team member Nicki Taws during a site visit to a landholder in the New South Wales (NSW) Monaro region. Photo credit Richard Snashall.



### Building cultural capability

With the certification of our Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) in October 2021, Greening Australia committed to taking substantial, organisation-wide actions over the two-year period from November 2021 to November 2023.

At our last AGM we formalised a Thriving on Country Committee to the Board comprised of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander advisors from around the country. They helped lead an on-Country celebration of our RAP, attended by Board directors and some of the Greening Australia team. Committee members, together with other First Nations leaders, also helped provide cultural learning opportunities for the general public as well as Greening Australia's staff and Board through webinars as part of our AGM, National Reconciliation Week, and staff development days.

Through our projects, we helped promote wider cultural learning by partnering with First Nations enterprises in delivering programs and events for schools and communities.

 To learn more, visit [greeningaustralia.org.au/thriving-on-country](https://greeningaustralia.org.au/thriving-on-country)

The celebration of our RAP on Nywaigi Country at Mungalla Station in Queensland gathered Thriving on Country Committee members, Board directors, as well as RAP Working Group, Executive and Reef Aid team members for a day of cultural learning, yarning, and touring the wetland restoration site. Photo credit Colyn Huber.

# First Nations partnerships

## 2022 IMPACT



69\*

\*This value reflects the number of First Nations partnerships with formal agreements as well as relationships without formal agreements.

### Thriving on Country Theory of Change

To build towards our 2030 goal of 100 meaningful partnerships with First Nations Peoples, this year, Greening Australia contracted Social Ventures Australia to help us develop a Theory of Change for our Thriving on Country strategy. A Theory of Change articulates the desired changes we hope to bring about through our work, and the strategies, activities and metrics we will use to achieve and measure those changes.

Based on our Theory of Change, we have three key focus areas for our Thriving on Country strategy:

- Building Greening Australia's cultural capability
- Developing lasting partnerships with First Nations groups
- Supporting an Indigenous-led restoration sector.



RAW Group's Welcome to Country at the Field River planting day in SA. Photo credit Michael Haines.

#### BECAUSE...

...Greening Australia acknowledges the rightful position that First Nations Peoples have in caring for and managing land, sea and all waters using sacred knowledge which has been passed through the generations...

#### WE BELIEVE...

...Greening Australia has a unique opportunity to learn through **two-way knowledge sharing** with First Nations Peoples, and work with them to integrate Traditional Knowledges with Western science to heal Country...

#### SO WE...

...will **build our capability** to work with First Nations communities, **co-design lasting restoration partnerships**, and **support an Indigenous-led restoration sector**, including pathways for employment and enterprise prospects

#### THAT LEADS TO...

...a strong self-determined Indigenous-led restoration economy.

### Developing lasting partnerships, supporting an Indigenous-led restoration sector

We continued to build our relationship with Barengi Gadjin Land Council Aboriginal Corporation (BGLC) in our work at the Bank Australia Conservation Reserve (the 'Reserve') in Victoria's Wimmera region. Track signs with names in the Wergaia language were installed across three properties, and it was a real highlight to accompany BGLC as they undertook cultural heritage surveys of Salvana, a new property added to the Reserve. In a broader context we continue to support BGLC's nursery enterprise 'Dalki Garringa' via our various other programs in Victoria's Wimmera and Mallee regions.

Greening Australia's partnership with BHP/BHP Mitsubishi Alliance (BMA) and First Nations groups in central Queensland continued to co-design pathways to First Nations-led employment and enterprise by healing Country to improve water quality for the Great Barrier Reef. Highlights this year include the completion of Healthy Country Plans by the Woorabinda community and the Barada Barna People; funding and implementation of the Woorabinda Ranger Program; participation by 36 Traditional Owners in training workshops, including traditional fire management; and the rehabilitation and management of 161 hectares of habitat by 27 Traditional Owners, resulting in the reduction of eight tonnes of sediment and nutrient flow to the Great Barrier Reef.

Building on Greening Australia's seed collection and training projects conducted under the WA Government's Green Jobs Plan in 2021, this year we undertook 50 hectares of direct seeding in WA's Great Southern region using seeds collected by the Mount Barker Aboriginal Corporation Rangers. In addition, approximately 20,000 native seedlings were planted through the Perth, Peel and South-West regions this winter, delivering environmental benefits along with part-time employment to four different Noongar ranger groups. The seedlings used in these plantings were grown by an Aboriginal-run business in the Wheatbelt, from seed collected by First Nations ranger groups.

A woman with long blonde hair, wearing a wide-brimmed hat and a dark jacket, is reaching out to touch a branch of a tree. A man in a white shirt is standing behind her, looking at the same branch. The background is a blurred field of trees under bright sunlight. On the right side of the image, there are several vertical green and yellow lines.

### Julian von Bibra, Midlands, Tasmania (TAS)

Five years ago, we planted the first 29,031 seeds and seedlings for Officeworks' Restoring Australia initiative in the Tasmanian Midlands, on farmland belonging to landholder Julian von Bibra. Through his ongoing involvement in the initiative, today on the property 191,613 trees are growing strong across 273 hectares of land.

The restoration of land has been felt firsthand by Julian, who has seen a micro-climate change on his property together with improved river health and water quality, and renewed biodiversity of the land with native animals returning and birdlife increasing.

"As farmers and landholders, it's not just about the produce we take to market, we have the responsibility to manage the landscape for future generations and at times this can feel overwhelming. Having the support of Greening Australia and Officeworks is so important, it makes the bigger picture more achievable and provides the resource, expertise and funding to restore parts of the landscape in ways that complement our agricultural needs," said Mr von Bibra.

Landholder Julian von Bibra with Greening Australia's Dr Elizabeth Pietrzykowski among five-year old plantings through Officeworks' Restoring Australia initiative. Photo credit Hayden Dib.



# Landholders engaged

## 2022 IMPACT

 **168<sup>^</sup>**

**^This number represents landholders with whom we have signed agreements during FY22**

## WE HELP IMPROVE PROPERTIES BY:



Reversing land degradation



Increasing profitability



Improving water quality



Integrating environmental solutions into farming systems



Enhancing biodiversity to better protect the environment

To continue scaling up our work, we are partnering with private landholders across Australia to rebuild nature on parts of their properties (including unproductive or marginal land) using our nature-based solutions.

Greening Australia manages information from registered landholders through our GER-X Land Portal. In the past year over 1,000 private properties have been registered and assessed through the portal. Once a property is assessed online, our land restoration team contact the landholders to discuss possible options for rebuilding nature and generating production benefits.

Every farm is unique, so we tailor projects to each landholder's business, preferences and priorities, maximising outcomes for their operations and for the landscape.

This year we began creating more opportunities for landholders to engage with us face to face, by attending regional field days across Australia, including in WA, SA and NSW. These days are a great opportunity for our teams to chat about a wide range of topics with interested landholders.

Due to growing demand for carbon sequestration and biodiversity repair, at the time of publication we have secured agreements to work on double the amount of private land together in our 2023 planting season compared to this year's season.

 To learn more about our nature-based solutions visit: [greeningaustralia.org.au/nature-based-solutions](https://greeningaustralia.org.au/nature-based-solutions)

 Register to discuss your property with us: [greeningaustralia.org.au/landholder-registration](https://greeningaustralia.org.au/landholder-registration)

### Tom Brown, Gippsland, Victoria (VIC)

For Gippsland farmer Tom Brown, being one of seven farmers involved in Greening Australia and Canopy's 440-hectare Environmental Planting carbon aggregation is providing an opportunity to restore the environment and improve the health of his land, whilst also generating a source of income:

"We've been planting on parts of our farm for years but working with Greening Australia will enable us to do this at a far larger scale. The important thing for us is also the biodiversity benefits that come from planting native species, because what we're trying to do here is help the native fauna and reinvigorate the land," said Mr Brown.

"Parts of the farm are hard to manage in that there's some steep areas and some slopes across the farm, but the planting of the trees means we don't have to worry about those parts of the farm anymore."

### Stephen Barrett, Katanning, WA

"There's so much landscape that's slowly degenerating, if we can do whatever we can to slow that down or even reverse it, we've got to take those opportunities. With planting shelterbelts for example, that's helping reduce erosion and create more shelter, not only for our livestock but wildlife as well," said Mr Barrett.

**"We need to recognise the valuable role that landholders play in supporting biodiversity and tackling climate change, and provide support and incentives to help them conserve and actively manage these matters of national environmental significance for all Australians." – Brendan Foran, Greening Australia CEO**



Plenty of space to grow. Landholder Tom Brown with Greening Australia's Drew Liepa. Photo credit Annette Ruzicka.



### Scaling up to establish millions of plants for Australia

Over the 2022 planting season, we established an incredible 3.7 million native plants for two major partners – AstraZeneca and Officeworks – across an impressive 3,806 hectares. To enable rapid upscaling from 2021, we mobilised the nursery industry to grow tens of thousands of seedlings and sourced well over 1,000 kilograms (kg) of native seed across the country, re-engineered and increased capacity of our direct seeding fleet and expanded our landholder engagement enabling widespread restoration. With great conditions for germination and growth over the year, our future monitoring and maintenance activities aim to show high levels of establishment by 2025.

Greening Australia and AstraZeneca team members working together to plant trees on a 2022 project site in TAS. Photo credit Adam Gibson.



# Plants established

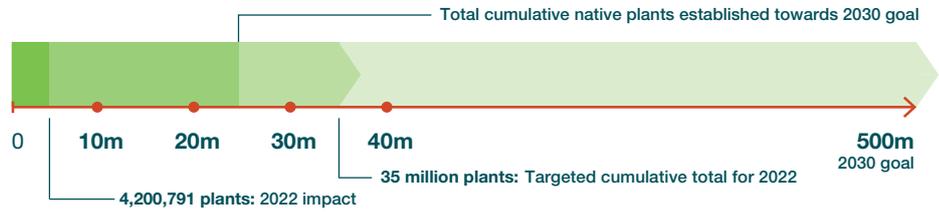
# 24 million

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**4.2 million**  
native plants established



### Bringing trees to the people

In collaboration with Clouston Associates, our Nature in Cities team created a detailed concept plan for 10 hectares across Camden Council’s John Oxley Reserve in western Sydney to deliver measurable outcomes for both people and nature. With staff from Mastercard and Conservation International, over 100 community volunteers and professional planting teams installed 17,000 trees, shrubs and groundcovers at this flagship site in order to demonstrate the importance of nurturing nature in our urban landscapes. It’s wonderful to see this weed-covered hillside begin the transition to become a place purpose-built for people and nature to thrive.



Mastercard and Conservation International team members helping us plant thousands of trees at John Oxley Reserve. Photo credit Tim Clark.

### Habitat corridors and nutrient buffers in the Wet Tropics

Our Reef Aid team planted over 4,250 trees in priority wetlands and creek riparian zones in the Wet Tropics, contributing to the 54,418 trees planted under the Repair and Restoration of Priority Coastal Habitats and Wetlands Project. These trees add to other plantings creating environmental corridors and buffering sediment and nutrient run-off. 156 volunteers from local community groups came together to plant the trees and share knowledge.



Volunteers from local community groups assisting with plantings in the Wet Tropics. Photo credit Simone Vinton.

### Planting for air quality

Project LEAF (Leaf Enhanced Air Filtration) in WA’s Pilbara region is an innovative project developed with BHP, Curtin University and the Town of Port Hedland, which we are proudly delivering alongside local First Nations enterprises. This large-scale urban planting project uses native vegetation barriers to reduce dust and improve air quality for the Port Hedland community, while also providing visual amenity and biodiversity co-benefits. Completed this year, Stage 1 includes 2.5 hectares of planted area, including over 7 kilometres of irrigation lines, 300 sprinklers, 100 millimetre-depth organic mulch and a whopping 80,000 native trees, shrubs and groundcovers native to the Pilbara region. Stage 2 will be delivered in 2023, continuing this important impact adjacent to the current site.



The team beginning to plant Stage 1 of the vegetation barrier in Port Hedland, WA. Visible in the background is a demonstration site for Project LEAF showing incredible growth.

# Seed supplied



The seed management team had a successful year, meeting 100 percent of internal seed demand for project delivery and making positive external sales volumes. National collection planning and business development has been a focus this year, with a strong emphasis on strengthening our seed collector network, who have generated access to 3,380 kg of native seed nationally.

### Native Seed Centre and ACT Seedbank

Across both these locations, 2,731 kg of seed has been sold, with approximately one third for external customers and two thirds for internal projects.

The Native Seed Centre in Sydney has seen a significant shift in demand from internal projects to external seed sales. Initially focused on selling existing inventory, the team has progressively incorporated seed purchased externally for sale to clients throughout NSW and the Australian Capital Territory (ACT). The NSW floods significantly impacted the centre’s production footprint,

necessitating new plantings, so the team collaborated with Greening Australia’s Science and Design team to develop an evidence-based species selection framework.

The ACT seedbank continues to meet local project demands, the needs of Greening Australia’s Canberra nursery, and external orders. Expanded seed infrastructure is being progressed onsite. Assisted by more than 250 volunteers, the nursery propagated a record 140,000 seedlings for our own projects, external sales and dispatch to landholders, supplying 65 sites across the ACT and regional NSW.

### Nindethana Seed Services

With over \$3 million in total seed sale revenue this year, the Nindethana team are successfully supplying seed in a very competitive market while still maintaining a high biodiversity outcome. 553 kg of seed from 75 species and five individual mixes were supplied for our direct seeding works at Jarrega Farm in WA, while our other WA priority area, Gondwana Link, was supplied 447 kg from 90 species and 11 individual mixes.

[greeningaustralia.org.au/services-native-seed](https://greeningaustralia.org.au/services-native-seed)



Some of the hardworking seed team at Nindethana: (L-R) Katyana Oakley, Bryony Lewis, Pete Nash, Colleen Checkley, Adin Lang (Greening Australia) and Stacey Srodzinski. This being our 40th year, we especially wish to highlight the incredible contribution of seed team members Jenifer and Mark Luscombe (WA), Pete Nash (WA) and Dave Warren (NSW), who have each clocked up well over 20 years of service. Greening Australia’s seed businesses today would be unrecognisable without the ongoing passion and dedication of these highly valued team members.



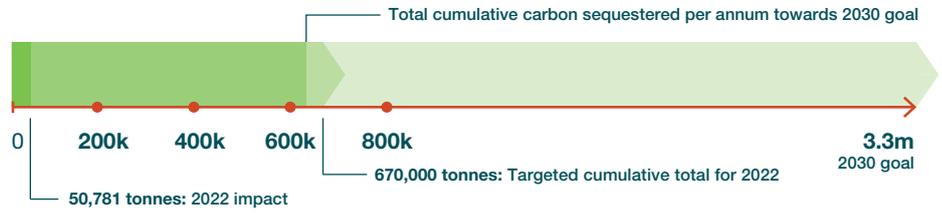
Kilos of seed ready for mixing at Jarrega Farm, WA. Photo credit Jesse Collins.

# Carbon sequestered

2022 IMPACT

**50,781**  
tonnes sequestered

## 633,000 tonnes



### Australia's largest aggregation for native reforestation carbon

The carbon market represents great potential to drive action on both climate change and biodiversity loss. This year, we successfully registered Australia's largest ever aggregation for native reforestation carbon with the Clean Energy Regulator. Delivered by Greening Australia and Canopy, the aggregation brings together seven landholders from four states (WA, SA, NSW and VIC) to create meaningful change at scale – with approximately 546,000 native and biodiverse trees planted across an area 220 times the size of the Melbourne Cricket Ground by October 2022. Participating landholders will receive a range of tangible environmental and economic benefits, from improved land health and biodiversity on farm, to financial returns from carbon credits and increased productivity.



Watch this space in 2023. We are collaborating with Nywaigi Traditional Owners at Mungalla Station in Queensland on a new project to expand and restore wetland habitat, improve water quality, and support sustainable returns from Blue Carbon credits. Here's Greening Australia's Earl Barry and Johannes Boyke checking on a saltwater bore at Mungalla's wetlands.

### Jarrega Farm

Our WA team successfully achieved over 1,100 hectares of direct seeding and seedling planting at the Jarrega Farm property this season. More than 550 kg of native seed and 415,000 seedlings were planted in May and June 2022 alone. The resulting high-quality delivery is thanks to the design, planning, management and execution of our Greening Australia crew members, and the hard work of 20 Traditional Owner Ranger personnel and local contractors who assisted with planting the seedlings. Canopy has registered the plantings here for carbon credits with the Clean Energy Regulator. Maintenance and monitoring will occur now post planting to understand survival and establishment over time. There's still room – in 2023 we'll return to complete a further 500 hectares of restoration.



Direct seeding with a mix of native species underway at Jarrega Farm in WA this season. Photo credit Jesse Collins.

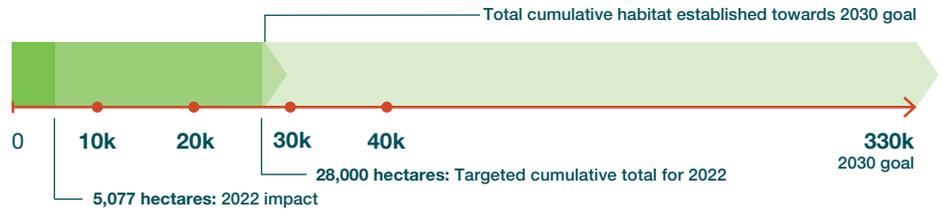


# Hectares established

2022 IMPACT

 **5,077**  
hectares of habitat  
established

# 28,300 hectares



Habitat loss is one of the top two threatening processes leading to biodiversity decline in Australia. Access to nature and the environment is also increasingly recognised as providing important health benefits for the community. Greening Australia works with landholders to restore and repair heavily cleared landscapes and conserve biodiversity, and welcomes the Australian Government’s recent announcement on establishing a National Biodiversity Market, which has the potential to bring significant investment into habitat restoration both for the benefit of landholders and nature.

### Cooling the Schools

Cooling the Schools has reached fever pitch with Sydney schools finally back in routine. The program provides curriculum-relevant resources for delivery by teachers, site specific safety and planting plans for each school, followed by an inspiring incursion where students plant microforests in their own schoolyard. During 2022 we achieved the milestone of over 100 schools delivered and 6,000 students engaged in Sydney, with one 10-year-old telling us “this day

was better than my birthday!” The program sits within the NSW Government’s Priority of one million trees by the end of 2022, and also involves local communities through plantings in public green spaces across Greater Sydney. This year we were also proud to expand Cooling the Schools to Adelaide, with a pilot funded by Green Adelaide successfully delivered to eight schools in the City of Playford.

### Restoring the Field River Valley

The Field River Valley Restoration project in SA has brought together stakeholders including Greening Australia, Nature’s Own, Green Adelaide, RAW Group, and the City of Marion with an aim to engage communities in restoring and reconnecting this important wildlife corridor on Karna Country, that links the hills to the coast. Traditional Owners were involved in completing cultural surveys to support the cultural significance and storytelling of the area, then local community and schools helped establish 6,000 habitat plants to support local wildlife. Information boards installed across the site are helping connect local visitors to the environmental and cultural significance of the site.

### Giving back to the Glossy Black

Recently, as result of habitat loss through the 2019-20 bushfires, the Glossy Black-Cockatoo was listed as vulnerable on the federal threatened species list. Over the past four years we have been working hard to re-establish broad areas of Allocasuarina, the primary food source for the Glossy Black-Cockatoo, across private properties in south-eastern NSW. With support from the NSW Government and the Purryburry Trust, we have now planted over 23,000 trees for this precious species, and the trees are thriving with all the recent rain!



Photo credit Lucy Wenger.

### 10 years of restoring Tasmania’s Midlands

Over 10 years of research across Tasmania’s only biodiversity hotspot (one of 12 nationally) culminated in a special edition of the journal *Ecological Management & Restoration*. Greening Australia and key partners such as the University of Tasmania, Ian Potter Foundation, JM Roberts Charitable Trust, the Tasmanian Aboriginal community, government and numerous landholders worked together to understand the complexity involved in restoring Country in Tasmania’s Midlands. The work demonstrated how a multidisciplinary approach is needed to guide restoration techniques to help landscapes heal and enable reconnection of remnant vegetation.



Enthusiastic students planting in their school grounds through the Cooling the Schools Adelaide pilot. Photo credit Michael Haines.



### Homes for the Greater Glider

The Greater Glider (Australia's largest gliding mammal) has significantly declined in population due to fire and habitat fragmentation and loss. It is sadly now listed as endangered. This year, Greening Australia worked in two locations in Victoria, through partnerships with WWF-Australia and Landcare Victoria, to install over 300 Greater Glider nest boxes (plus an additional 100 Sugar Glider boxes) to help address the lack of hollows available. This work is part of a broader program restoring habitat and connections for Greater Gliders in the Gippsland region. The boxes have been installed in regions affected by fire and excitingly, Gliders have already moved in and started using them!

Due to how they travel, the nestboxes for Greater Gliders need to be installed way up in the treetops. Photo credit Annette Ruzicka.



### Reducing sediment run-off at Kirknie Station

We completed repair of three large alluvial gully complexes on Kirknie Station, stopping 2,078 tonnes of sediment pollutants from reaching the Great Barrier Reef each year. Significantly, Birriah Traditional Owners completed pre-works cultural heritage surveys of the entire site area.

Kirknie Station landholder Glen Rea said: “We are always working on ways to improve livestock production, while not only maintaining but improving the environment. Greening Australia came to us back in 2021 about some areas on Kirknie they said they could repair, one of which we ourselves had concerns with and were working on a plan to fix. With zero cost to us we decided to give them a go. The work itself is bigger than anything we would have tried to do.”

Photo credit Cait Miers.



# Water pollutants prevented

2022 IMPACT

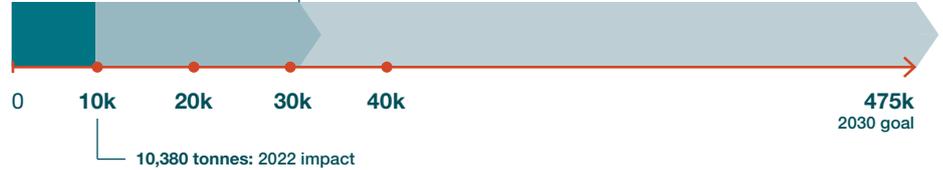


# 10,380

tonnes prevented

# 31,881 tonnes

Total cumulative water pollutants prevented from reaching the Reef, towards 2030 goal



## Reducing sediment run-off at Footes Hill

To improve water quality for the Great Barrier Reef, we undertook major earthworks at Footes Hill to remediate an eroding gully, saving 555 tonnes per year of fine sediment from reaching the Reef. This large gully was a priority for remediation, sitting in the Burdekin River catchment south of Townsville. Sediment and associated nutrient pollutants in run-off from this system have been identified as a significant risk to Reef water quality, contributing to coral degradation and algal blooms.

Remediation of this gully included reshaping, applying surface treatments, revegetation, and fencing. A rock chute, over 60 porous check dams, and a flow diversion bund are helping direct water flow and provide long-term security against further sediment loss. The landholders have also adopted practice changes to improve land condition across their property. These improvements will have a lasting impact on water quality and habitat condition.

## Remediating erosion at Lily Creek

A major gully remediation project has been completed at Lily Creek near the Woorabinda community in the Fitzroy-Mackay catchment, preventing 23 tonnes per year of sediment from running into the nearby waterways. This work was delivered with Traditional Owner partners in a priority area.

Site work included hydrological modelling, fencing, revegetation, and earthworks. To remediate the gully, the site was reshaped with a rock chute, bund wall, whoa boy and surface treatment. The land condition and ecology at the site are already showing improvement, and will be maintained by the landholders who have received training as part of the project.

## Constructed wetlands to reduce nutrient run-off

We are preparing to build a treatment wetland in the Lower Burdekin catchment to improve the quality of water leaving sugar cane fields. This project will help us learn about the most effective ways to use treatment wetlands for preventing nutrients (specifically Dissolved Inorganic Nitrogen) from reaching the Great Barrier Reef.



Stopping water pollutants at the source means clean, clear water at the Reef for both people and nature.  
Photo credit Nicole McLachlan.



Earthworks underway to remediate gully erosion at Lily Creek in Central Queensland.



We celebrated the launch of the Woorabinda Healthy Country Plan and the appointment of a team of five local rangers as part of the Queensland Indigenous Land Conservation Project (QILCP), which sees First Nations Peoples, Greening Australia and BHP/BMA collaborating to heal Country in Great Barrier Reef catchments. Photo credit Melissa Mills.

## Our supporters

Greening Australia thanks all those who share our vision and roll up their sleeves beside us, including businesses, philanthropists, governments, investors, volunteers, members and delivery partners. With your support we achieve so much more than we could alone. Here are just a few examples of businesses we're partnering with to deliver nature-based solutions.



In 2022 we completed planting 430,000 biodiverse, native and locally appropriate trees for Mastercard's Priceless Planet Coalition, supported by global delivery partner Conservation International, by planting 30,000 trees in urban areas. The planting took place in Western Sydney to recreate the habitat structure of the critically-endangered Cumberland Plain Woodland ecological community, and encourage the return of small woodland birds such as the Hooded Robin and other threatened species that call this habitat home. The Priceless Planet Coalition aims to restore 100 million trees across the globe by 2025, recognising – as we do – that restoring forests is a simple yet powerful way of capturing carbon dioxide and mitigating climate change, as well as delivering a range of other social and environmental benefits.



We entered the second year of AstraZeneca's 25 Million Trees project (part of the AZ Forest Global Initiative and in partnership with One Tree Planted) by scaling up to plant 3.26 million trees across more than 3,500 hectares in 2022, working with 39 landholders across six priority regions.



Officeworks' tree planting initiative, Restoring Australia, celebrated its fifth year in partnership with Greening Australia. Over the past five years, 1,800 hectares of land have been restored, spanning 19 sites nationally. In the 2022 planting season, more than 240,000 native trees were planted to restore Australian landscapes and biodiversity.



An exciting addition to Bank Australia's conservation reserve, the 1,190-hectare Salvana property, has taken the total amount of land under conservation to 2,117 hectares co-managed by Greening Australia and Trust for Nature. 2022 was another busy year with a baseline survey of Salvana completed with Barengi Gadjin Land Council and Indigenous language track signs installed. To celebrate 40 years of Greening Australia, we partnered with Bank Australia to create the Money Tree, a sculpture symbolising the interconnections between the environment and the economy.

 Interested in nature-based solutions tailored to your business needs? Find out more at [greeningaustralia.org.au/nature-based-solutions](https://greeningaustralia.org.au/nature-based-solutions)



**Nestlé**

**LOOKING AHEAD: NESTLÉ'S  
REFORESTATION PROJECT  
IN AUSTRALIA**

Aiming to establish 10 million trees across NSW and VIC by 2025, all planting for this project will be undertaken on private land located near Nestlé's raw material supply chains, in collaboration with local landholders and communities. A mix of native plant species (predominantly Eucalyptus and Acacia) will be used, sequestering an estimated 2.1 million tonnes of carbon emissions over a 25-year crediting period. The project follows Nestlé's 'insetting' philosophy – supporting emissions reductions within landscapes where the company sources raw materials – and will be registered by Canopy for carbon credits with Australia's Clean Energy Regulator under the reforestation by environmental planting method. All plantings are designed to support biodiversity and improve habitat for native animals while drawing down carbon from the atmosphere. Greening Australia is delivering this project in partnership with One Tree Planted and Nestlé's Global Reforestation Program, which aims to establish 200 million trees globally by 2030.



Bank Australia and Greening Australia team members with the Money Tree sculpture. It stood proudly in the State Library of Victoria's forecourt for two weeks to raise awareness of the value of nature and the cost of not recognising this. Photo credit Christopher Chan.

# Our supporters

Philanthropy plays a vital role for Greening Australia, enabling innovation and growth to help us to achieve our ambitious restoration goals.

The collective contributions of individual donations, major gifts and bequests, corporate philanthropy, brand partnerships and international giving mean we can continue to deliver our restoration programs, and undertake strategic projects to generate greater impact and scale up our work.

This year, philanthropy enabled Greening Australia to advance key on-ground programs across the country; apply best practice, future-sensitive science and innovation; and expand engagement with private landholders, which will increase the number of hectares we can restore. Post COVID, it has been exciting to revive our community events and welcome our philanthropic community to planting days in Sydney and Melbourne, giving key supporters a chance to get out into the field with us.

We thank our entire philanthropic community, including individual givers, members, trusts and foundations, and businesses for their support in 2022.

## Individual giving and bequests

Greening Australia encourages donations, gifts, and bequests towards rebuilding nature, and acknowledges the power of legacy giving to enable us to scale up our restoration activities to tackle the challenges facing Australia's unique landscapes.

We are extremely grateful to all individual and bequest donors, including the Estate of Robyn Stepnell, whose vital support gives us greater certainty around future funding. We also extend our gratitude to our passionate and dedicated members for their ongoing support and commitment to helping grow the future we all want to see.



As part of the launch of Downer's workplace giving program 'Down2You' to its 33,000+ employees, which is a key pillar of their corporate philanthropy strategy, Greening Australia has been selected as one of four charity partners. This relationship supports Greening Australia to drive innovation and remove barriers to scaling environmental restoration in Australia.



NAB Foundation is providing \$2 million over 2021-2023 to support Greening Australia and World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)-Australia to improve the long-term resilience of Australia's landscapes and communities in a changing climate. The inaugural project funded by NAB Foundation will test nature-based solutions such as green firebreaks and rewilding to manage natural disaster risks. This year, NAB Foundation also facilitated a skilled volunteering program with a team of 13 NAB employees to identify ways financial institutions might assist customers in planting green firebreaks.



Since 2021, we've partnered with Nespresso to build climate resilience into Australian landscapes and restore essential habitat for threatened species. In the first year of our three-year partnership, 36,000 trees and shrubs were planted through our Great Southern Landscapes program. These plantings will restore 12 hectares of Eucalypt overstorey in Victoria's Gippsland region to increase habitat connectivity for the genetically significant Strzelecki Koala and the nationally threatened Greater Glider.



The Ian Potter Foundation has awarded Greening Australia a major grant to lead research and development over the next five years and build best practice in native seed production. The grant will enable us to bring together key stakeholders across the sector and create a coordinated research program, enabling us to scale restoration and supporting our plans to develop new seed production areas.



Through our Nature in Cities program, our three-year partnership with Nature's Own is helping restore ecosystems by establishing 25,000 native trees, shrubs and wildflowers across major Australian cities. In the first year of the partnership in 2022, we worked across Adelaide and Sydney to increase wildlife habitat, engage local communities and build green corridors to reconnect people and nature. This year, Nature's Own helped maximise the impact of our end of year tax appeal by generously matching donations up to \$25,000 to support native wildlife through urgent restoration efforts.



Team members from Nature's Own have been seeing what's involved in bringing nature back to urban spaces by getting their hands dirty, for example at this planting at Calmsley Farm, NSW. Photo credit Toby Peet.

### Business philanthropy

- 1% for the Planet
- Acmena Group
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- Portland House Investments Ltd
- Prior Family Foundation
- Purves and Purryburry Trust
- Simpson Foundation
- The Ian Potter Foundation
- Wood Foundation



### Prior Family Foundation co-hosted an awareness tour

As a founding partner of our Reef Aid program, the Prior Family Foundation has been on the journey with Greening Australia to save the Great Barrier Reef since 2016. To align with Reef Aid's 5-year anniversary, Prior Family Foundation co-hosted an awareness tour, bringing public figures to meet key project partners, see the impact firsthand, and help spread the word to new audiences. Our guests shown here chatting with Greening Australia's Martha Kusetic in a restored gully at Strathalbyn Station. *Photo credit Cait Miers.*

## Our supporters

As we continue to work with governments across Australia on solutions to rebuild nature, we recognise their vital role in setting the right legislative and policy frameworks to support environmental conservation and restoration. The framework through which land conservation is regulated, managed and funded is core to the way conservation of our unique flora and fauna is prioritised in society.

The government resources invested into environmental projects are valuable and should be maximised for impact through catalytic cornerstone investments and leveraging that helps develop participation in environmental markets and attracts further investment. Environmental markets that are robust and transparent have the potential to attract greater investment into rebuilding and protecting nature, and deliver real improvements.

Over the past year Greening Australia has worked with multiple governments across Australia to deliver restoration projects. Here are three examples from federal, state and local government levels.

### Empowering communities to green their cities

Two examples from our Nature in Cities program highlight the importance of local governments in supporting communities to feel empowered to take action against climate change, urban heat and biodiversity loss. Greening Australia worked in partnership with The Behaviour Change Collaborative and three Perth councils – City of Canning, City of Bayswater and Town of Bassendean – to deliver the Our Park Our Place project with Perth residents, supported by Lotterywest. Besides planting over 35,000 seedlings with participating community members in local parks, the project's social impact analysis completed this year found that being intentional about empowering communities can create friendlier, greener, more climate-resilient neighbourhoods. Using a slightly different model to empower communities by making schools and students the focus, our Cooling the Schools initiative has similarly found strong working relationships with state and local governments in Sydney and Adelaide pivotal in the mission to engage both schools and the broader community in transforming suburbs into cooler, greener spaces.



Workers from Nukunu Wapma Thura Aboriginal Corporation with native seeds collected for our project increasing the drought resilience and biodiversity of properties in the Mid-North and Flinders regions of SA.

### Restoring native grasses for drought resilient farms

Greening Australia and Nukunu Wapma Thura Aboriginal Corporation have been working on a project to harvest and plant native seeds to improve the drought resilience of farms in the Mid-North and Flinders regions of SA. Funded through the Australian Government's Natural Resource Management Drought Resilience Program, the project is particularly focused on re-establishing native perennial grasses and shrubs to create more resilient pasture for livestock, while also restoring habitat for native animals.

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**“Ambitious solutions that protect people, nature and the economy need to be incentivised to support the scale and pace of action that’s required in this decade, for the future of generations to come.” - Brendan Foran, Greening Australia CEO**

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### Seeding the future for Superb Parrots

Greening Australia is once again joining forces to save the Superb Parrot with the NSW Government's Saving our Species program, as a Conservation Co-Investment Partner for 2022-26.

Saving our Species recently announced the five partner organisations who are co-investing alongside the NSW Government to benefit threatened species and ecological communities. Greening Australia's project *Seeding the future for Superb Parrots across Temperate Grassy Woodlands of southern NSW* is one of six taking action across the state. This project builds on over 1,000 hectares of Superb Parrot habitat restoration undertaken by Greening Australia with landholders and other partners in the NSW Riverina from 2018-2021, funded by the NSW Government's Saving our Species Program, Officeworks and the NSW Environmental Trust.

## GOVERNMENT PARTNERS AND CLIENTS

### Australian Government

- CSIRO
- Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
- Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
- Indigenous Land and Sea Corporation
- National Capital Authority
- Reef Trust Partnership between the Australian Government's Reef Trust and the Great Barrier Reef Foundation

### Australian Capital Territory

- Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate
- Major Projects Canberra
- Transport Canberra and City Services

### New South Wales

- Camden City Council
- Campbelltown City Council
- Department of Planning, Industry and Environment
- NSW Environmental Trust
- Penrith City Council
- Transport for NSW
- Waste Assets Management Corporation
- Western Sydney Parklands Trust
- Wollondilly Shire Council
- Woollahra Municipal Council

### Queensland

- Department of Agriculture and Fisheries
- Fitzroy Basin Association
- QLD Investment Corporation Limited
- Sunwater Limited

### South Australia

- City of Holdfast Bay
- City of Marion
- City of Mitcham
- City of Onkaparinga
- City of Playford
- City of West Torrens
- Clare and Gilberts Valley Council
- Department of Environment and Water
- Green Adelaide Board
- Northern and Yorke Landscape Board
- SA Water

### Victoria

- Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning
- East Gippsland Catchment Management Authority
- Glenelg Hopkins Catchment Management Authority
- Mallee Catchment Management Authority
- Melbourne Water
- VicRoads
- Wimmera Catchment Management Authority
- Zoos Victoria

### Western Australia

- City of Bayswater
- City of Canning
- Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development
- Department of Water and Environmental Regulation
- Lotterywest
- Town of Bassendean
- Water Corporation



The Our Park Our Place project worked in partnership with local councils to create opportunities for communities to connect with local nature and learn how to take action. Photo credit Jesse Collins.

## Get involved

**Become a member** to join us every step of the way

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