** **AGENDA ITEM 9**

**Summary of Grant/funding opportunities for Landholders in the Yarra Valley – Nov 2015**

| **Grant/Fund Organisation** | **Who can apply** | **Applicable works** | **Max amount** | **Contact** |
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| **Yarra Ranges Council** |
| **Ribbons of Green** | Private landowners, community groups and schools. | Indigenous native plants, tree guards, stakes and weed mats available for revegetation projects involving at least 300 plants. Advice also available on site preparation, weed control and plant selection. Applications taken Jul-Nov each year.  |  | [Ribbons\_of\_Green\_Program](http://www.yarraranges.vic.gov.au/Property/Trees-vegetation/Plants-for-properties) |
| **Weed Wipeout** | Residents in the Yarra Ranges. | *Weed Wipeout* targets:* English Ivy
* Agapanthus
* Japanese Honeysuckle
* Montbretia
* Wandering Trad
* Wild Tobacco Tree
* Blue Periwinkle
* Arum Lily
 | Free information pack and transfer station voucher that entitles you to dispose of one trailer load (or one cubic metre) of weeds at Coldstream, Healesville, Wesburn or Lysterfield transfer station. | [Weed\_Control](http://www.yarraranges.vic.gov.au/Property/Environment/Weeds) |
| **Melbourne Water** |
| **Corridors of Green** | Local councils and managers of public land in the Port Phillip and Westernport region can apply to the corridors of green program. Public land includes parks, forests and other recreational reserves. | Projects that improve river health, such as:* weed control
* fencing off rivers and creeks
* revegetation (replanting) with indigenous plants
* creating management plans
 | $20,000 (excluding GST)  | [Corridors of Green funding](http://www.melbournewater.com.au/getinvolved/applyforfunding/pages/corridors-of-green-funding.aspx) |
| **Stream Frontage Management Program** | You must live in the Port Phillip and Westernport region and either:* own freehold land that fronts onto a river or creek
* manage crown land that fronts onto a river or creek (licensed through the Department of Environment and Primary Industries
 | Work that protects or enhances riverbanks, such as:* streamside fencing
* weed control
* setting up watering points for livestock away from rivers
* new planting or revegetation
* minor work to stabilise riverbanks
* some ongoing maintenance
 | 50% - 80% of costs | [Stream-frontage-management-program](http://www.melbournewater.com.au/getinvolved/applyforfunding/Pages/Stream-frontage-management-program.aspx) |
| **Rural Land Program** | You can apply to this program if you own or manage rural land in these catchments:* Woori Yallock
* Wandin Yallock
* Hoddles
* Little Yarra
* Olinda
* Stringybark
 | A broad range of activities designed to improve the quality of the water leaving rural properties.These works and materials might include:* fencing off and managing streams, drainage lines and other water-sensitive areas
* sediment and nutrient retention systems
* managing native vegetation and grass filter systems in riparian areas and drainage lines
* establishing shade and shelter for livestock away from water-sensitive areas
* farm track construction, improvement and drainage
* erosion stabilisation and protection
 |  | [Rural Land Program](http://www.melbournewater.com.au/getinvolved/applyforfunding/Pages/Rural-land-program.aspx) |
| **Community Grants*** **Project grants**
 | Incorporated community groups, management committees, volunteer groups and Landcare groups | Project grants can fund a range of activities on public land along waterways, including:* weed control
* fencing off rivers and creeks
* revegetation (replanting) with indigenous plants
 | $20,000 (excluding GST)Occurs in annual rounds.  | [Community-grants-program](http://www.melbournewater.com.au/getinvolved/applyforfunding/Pages/Community-grants-program.aspx) |
| **Community Grants*** **Group support grants**
 | Incorporated community groups, management committees, volunteer groups and Landcare groups | Group support grants are available to help out with:* administrative activities
* increasing participation in your group
* raising public awareness
* training to improve your group’s skills and knowledge in protecting and improving waterway health
* educating the community about project work
 | $1,000 (excluding GST) You can apply for a project grant at the same time as a group support grant.  | [Community-grants-program](http://www.melbournewater.com.au/getinvolved/applyforfunding/Pages/Community-grants-program.aspx) |
| **Philanthropic** |
| **Myer Foundation – Sustainability and Environment Program** | Capacity Building Grants:* Local Government
* applicants located in Metropolitan Melbourne
* Not-for-profit and community environment organisations located in Australia
 | 2015 – 2016 grants will be available to carry out the following activities: * Strategy, governance and leadership
* Management Capacity
* Operational and resource development capacity
* Program/service delivery and impact (Note: Program delivery is not eligible)
* Change management capacity
 | Councils can apply for $30,000 – $100,000EOI opens 2 Nov 2015 until 8 Jan 2016Detailed applications invited 25 Jan 2016 closes 26 Feb 2016Applicants advised 20 June 2016 | <http://myerfoundation.org.au/grants/sustainability-environment/capacity-building/#sthash.Cw9kpMcB.dpuf> |
| **Port Phillip and Westernport Catchment Management Authority** |
| **Community Grants** | Incorporated community groups, management committees, volunteer groups, Landcare groupsand partnerships | Community grant activities can be:* Protection, enhancement or establishment of native vegetation
* Improving soil condition and resilience
* Managing the threat posed by pest plants and animals
* Community education and capacity building
* Maintenance grants to support group and network operation and member recruitment.
 | Up to $130,000 max | community.grants@ppwcma.vic.gov.au |
| **Protecting and connecting EPBC species in the Yarra Ranges** | Local land owners, Landcare groups | Property must be covered by the top 10% of habitat remaining as identified by the Ecological Character Description. Activities that can be funded include:* fencing to protect habitat
* property purchase to protect habitat
* revegetation
* weed control
* pest animal control
 | No set limit however an Expression of Interest is required for all applications. | Mary-kate.hockey@ppwmca.vic.gov.au |
| **Dandenong Ranges Wildlife Recovery, Weed Management and Fuel Reduction Programme** | Incorporated community groups, management committees, volunteer groups, Landcare groups and partnerships | Community-based environmental projects for wildlife recovery, weed management, habitat gains and bushfire fuel reduction throughout the Dandenong Ranges.  | No maxUp to $10,000Up to $50,000$50,000 plus – requires an Expression of Interest | stephen.thuan@ppwcma.vic.gov.au |