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Goulburn flow monitoring



The 2019–20 Goulburn Monitoring Evaluation and Research Annual Report has been released.

Some highlights include:

- Confirmation of the links between flows and bank condition, deposition of sediments and seeds and the presence and condition of bank vegetation. Understanding these relationships helps with planning deliveries of water for the environment and improved management of irrigation flows in summer to limit damage to the riverbanks and vegetation.
- A significant finding of the 2019–20 surveys was the collection of nationally threatened trout cod. Trout cod had not been collected during surveys for three years but were collected again in 2020. Spawning of trout cod was also detected in November 2019 surveys and has now been detected in each of the past three (2017 to 2019) spawning seasons. Other species collected were Murray cod, silver perch and Murray River rainbowfish.

The report also makes recommendations for future management of river flows to protect and improve the health of the lower Goulburn River including delivering at least one spring environmental flow every year.

The monitoring program is part of the Commonwealth Environmental Water Office's Flow-MER initiative. The full report can be found at www.environment.gov.au/water/cewo

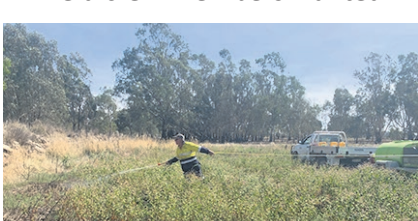
Upcoming workshops



- Thursday April 1, 1pm to 2pm - Erosion control in the Mount Camel Range. Registration is essential, contact Karen on 0409 955 396 or karenb@gbcma.vic.gov.au
- Thursday April 1, 10am to 12.30pm - Attracting beneficial insects and predator birds to your farm. Cornella. Registration is essential, contact Karen on 0409 955 396 or karenb@gbcma.vic.gov.au
- Tuesday, April 13, 9.30pm to 12pm - Erosion Gullies and Hills. Limestone. Registration is essential, contact Rhiannon Sandford on 0429 964 609 or rhiannons@gbcma.vic.gov.au

The workshops are supported by the Goulburn Broken CMA, through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Program.

Field crew members wanted



The Victorian Government's \$500 million Working for Victoria initiative is helping communities respond to coronavirus (COVID-19).

The Goulburn Broken CMA's Working for Victoria projects are providing employment for people to work on activities to protect and improve the region's land, water and biodiversity.

These activities include:

- maintenance of fencing along rivers and streams;
- building reserves of native seed and revegetation works;
- removal of wild fruit trees from public land; and
- removal of rubbish from public land along the lower Goulburn and Murray rivers.

For details and to apply, visit

<https://skilledworkforce.programmed.com.au/gbcma/>



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