REVEGETATION ESTABLISHMENT

Why should I establish native vegetation?

Native vegetation provides many environmental benefits to flora and fauna through providing habitat and food sources. However, it also contributes to farm productivity through providing shelter, alternative grazing areas and providing habitat for beneficial pest predators.

What can I do?

- Use local native species including trees, shrubs and grasses.
- Concentrate on expanding and enhancing existing vegetation remnants.
- Retain existing clumps of remnant vegetation. Where trees already exist it is easier and cheaper to fence them off and encourage regeneration.
- Link shelterbelts together and with existing vegetation to provide additional food, shelter and corridors for wildlife.
- Revegetate along creeks and gullies.
- Include local native understorey plants (shrubs) that flower at different times throughout the year to attract a variety of wildlife.
- Revegetated areas can become a shelter and habitat for pest species. Develop pest animal management plans for these areas and consult local agencies regarding appropriate control measures.

Who can help?

- Contact your local Landcare group, Greening Australia or the list of local nurseries for local plant selection.
- Refer to Greening Australia "Green Notes" for plant establishment guidelines.