



Grassy Eucalypt Woodlands Stewardship Program

Standards for Revegetation / Supplementary Planting

Revegetation is the planting of indigenous (locally native) species at a site. Supplementary planting involves revegetation into a site which has some existing vegetation but is missing a component that would be expected in a more 'natural' environment, for example, planting with understorey species where there is already a good cover of canopy trees.

Choosing Plants

All revegetation and supplementary planting should occur using a range of suitable indigenous plant species. Plants should be ordered from a quality supplier well in advance of scheduled planting. Ideally, this is at least 6-8 months prior. Plants should be chosen on the basis of the diversity and structure of the vegetation type (Ecological Vegetation Class) predicted for the site, local environmental conditions, ease of propagation, locally sourced, and the size of the area to be planted. The CCMA will assist with technical support and advice. Hiko cells and/or tube stock plants are the recommended seedling forms for revegetation sites and supplementary planting. Direct seeding can be done, however, a larger area is generally needed for this to be economically viable.

Site Preparation

Weeds within the area to be planted should ideally be treated at least twice prior to planting out. Rabbits should also be controlled. Please refer to 'Standards for Weed Control' and 'Standards for Rabbit Control' for further information.

Protection and Maintenance of Planted Vegetation

Plants should be guarded / protected appropriately (if needed) against rabbits, kangaroos and wallabies. The revegetation site should always be fenced to exclude stock if the paddock is stocked. If there is no project on the opposite river bank, then the area should be already fenced out from stock or the river itself should form a natural barrier to stock entering the revegetation site. In order to maintain and allow the plants to survive, spot spraying should be done around the guarded plants at least once per year until established.