

EcoAustralia

Myamyn Lowland Forest Conservation Australia

Enhancing biodiversity and permanently
protecting Victoria's ancient forests



Two decades ago, sections of Victoria's Annya State Forest were illegally cleared and re-planted with Tasmanian blue gum – an invasive eucalyptus species. By protecting the land against further clearing and re-vegetating it with native flora, this project enhances biodiversity and permanently protects habitat for vulnerable native species.

The Context

The Annya State Forest in south-western Victoria is an area of high ecological value, containing numerous vulnerable and endangered plant and animal communities. The forest is characterised by messmate stringybark trees, with a diverse understorey growing on fertile soils. In 1997 sections of the forest were illegally cleared and planted with Tasmanian blue gum, an invasive eucalyptus species. This project seeks to restore the site and protect it in perpetuity from land clearing.

The Project

Located on private land within the Annya State Forest, the Myamyn project works to protect and rehabilitate the land that was illegally cleared for blue gum plantations in the 1990s. As well as cleared land, the site contains remnant forests that are among the most undisturbed in the region, while a large freshwater wetland provides a rare pocket of habitat for local frog, bird and bat species such as the southern toadlet, curly sedge and southern bent-wing bat. By protecting the site and replanting cleared areas with native plants, this project permanently protects and enhances local biodiversity.

The Benefits

The Myamyn project has rehabilitated over 20 hectares of cleared lands, protecting a total of 200 hectares against further clearing and enhancing habitat by controlling weeds and pest animals like cats and foxes. In doing so, habitat for a range of vulnerable and endangered native species is protected and enhanced – including the southern brown bandicoot, powerful owl and long-nosed potoroo.

About EcoAustralia

EcoAustralia is a stapled product that blends carbon credits with biodiversity protection. Each EcoAustralia credit consists of **one Australian Biodiversity Unit**, equal to **1.5m²** of government-accredited, permanently protected Australian vegetation, and **1 tCO₂e of avoided emissions** from a Gold Standard certified project.

Australian Biodiversity Unit



Verified International Carbon Credit

Gold Standard



EcoAustralia Credit



Gold Standard carbon credits

stapled to each government accredited Australian Biodiversity Unit purchased from the Myamyn project, meeting stringent standards for NCOS eligibility



4 ha

of wetlands protected, providing habitat for vulnerable frog, bird and bat species



200 ha

of forests protected and enhanced, including 22 ha that have been replanted with native vegetation



Australia-first partnership

enabling voluntary purchases of government-accredited Australian Biodiversity Units (normally reserved only for offsetting vegetation removal)

For more information on the UN Sustainable Development Goals, please visit: <http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/sustainable-development-goals/>

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