North Coast Private Land Conservation

Supported by a partnership between the Biodiversity Conservation Trust and Landcare NSW

Conservation on private land is essential for protection of our native ecosystems and unique wildlife. Landholders like to learn from each other as well as experts. This partnership and pilot project in 2022 enabled that learning and sharing.

More than 70% of NSW is privately owned or leased but only approximately 4% has a formal land conservation agreement in place

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Aims for Conservation on Private Land Partnership

1. **Increase landholder knowledge** of their own properties and practical conservation skills via networking events with experts and other local landholders
2. Increase the available data on species present in NSW via citizen science projects
3. Improve **knowledge sharing** and collaboration between Biodiversity Conservation Trust (BCT) staff and Landcare staff and volunteers

Citizen Science

Shown by ecologists how to set up camera traps for wildlife monitoring on private land. **Locals shared knowledge of familiar and rare species on their properties.**

Landholders were reassured that they weren't working alone, but instead, their efforts were complementing the work of others in the area.

"My faith in community, and especially government organisations has been revitalised. **So glad I came!"**

"This is a natural and insightful cooperation between **2 progressive organisations**."

"Love that I can have **a small part in a larger project** and get the data in the end"

Workshops

Bird spotting, Bell Miners and Bell Miner Associated Dieback (BMAD), Pest Animal and Weed Management, Plant ID and bush regeneration, Using trail cameras for wildlife monitoring, Online Property Planning Seminar, Property Bioblitz

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Landcare NSW is working in partnership with the NSW Biodiversity Conservation Trust to work together to raise awareness and support private land conservation efforts across the state.

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