

Coastscapes Coastal Corridor Project

The South West Botanical Province of WA is globally recognised as one of the planet's major biodiversity hotspots. Within this hotspot, there is an almost continuous strip of intact coastal native vegetation along the South Coast called a macro-corridor network; essentially bushland which provides a safe haven for wildlife.

The Coastscapes Project aims to protect and enhance this more than 500 km strip in two major sections - the **Two Peoples Bay to Fitzgerald corridor** and the **Fitzgerald to Cape Arid corridor**.

As well as revegetating patches of bare land and connecting them to existing vegetation, Coastscapes also controls invasive species which threaten biodiversity, and protects and enhances existing native vegetation endangered by the impact of livestock and *Phytophthora dieback*.

By 2016, public and private land around **Wellstead and Bremer Bay alone** will have benefited from **40 ha of revegetation** and **26 km of fencing protecting over 264 ha of bushland**. More than **85 ha of weeds** will also have been **controlled**. This year the Wellstead community will produce a display garden surrounding the Community Resource Centre as part of the project. The aims are to involve the small community in rehabilitation works, inform bypassers about the beauty and great plant species variety the area has to offer and increase the enjoyment of visitors and residents. The garden will hopefully inspire locals to further revegetate some of their land and inform them about the native local species they could use.

Overall Coastscapes contributes to the rehabilitation of native vegetation creating an extended habitat and migration paths for native animals and increasing the recreational enjoyment for visitors and locals.

To find out more, or if you are eligible for funding please contact: Coastal corridor project officer **Melanie Stock** on **9845 8545, 0459 949 445** or melanies@southcoastnrm.com.au.



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Weed control Cheyne Beach, City of Albany



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Theme 3: Invasive species management to improve corridor connectivity



BEFORE



AFTER

Weed control of Victorian Tea Tree *Leptospermum laevigatum* &
Sydney Golden Wattle *Acacia longifolia*



Weed control Dillon Bay, Shire of Jerramungup



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Theme 2: Protecting and enhancing existing native vegetation within the corridor



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