

MALLEE

KEY EVENTS AND INSIGHTS

- Over 460,000 ha of targeted environmental works were undertaken in 2018-19 to protect the region's priority natural, cultural and productive landscapes. Regional delivery partnerships, which are integral to the success of these on ground activities, were further supported through the provision of 121 individual funding grants to community groups (33) and private land managers (88).
- Integral to all Mallee CMA NRM processes is the protection and management of cultural heritage values. In 2018-19 this was supported through 144 cultural heritage assessments at proposed works sites and seven cultural heritage management plans being approved and lodged with Aboriginal Victoria.
- Recreational values provided by the region's priority waterways were also enhanced through community-driven projects which identified, prioritised and implemented works such as the installation of 25 visitor facilities. Works which have collectively improved opportunities for a range of recreational activities including bushwalking, cycling, canoeing, camping and recreational angling.
- Community engagement and capacity building approaches continue to be well supported. In 2018-19 this resulted in some 7,695 stakeholders participating in 670 individual events. Evaluation of these activities identified that 66% of surveyed participants rated the overall delivery of events as 'excellent', and a further 30% as 'good'.
- Materials produced to promote the region, NRM programs and involvement opportunities continued to reach a large and diverse audience. The Mallee CMA Facebook page for example had an average daily reach of 2,275 people in 2018-19, and nine posts were each viewed by over 10,000 people.
- Planning for delivery partnerships and engagement activities continues to be informed and enhanced by advice received from regional stakeholders through established forums such as the Salinity Accountability Advisory Committee, Aboriginal Reference Group, Land and Water Community Advisory Committee, Catchment Partnership Committees and Ramsar Coordinating Committee. In 2018-19 this framework was enhanced by the establishment of the Mallee Floodplain Management Strategy (FMS) Implementation Steering Committee, with representatives from key regional stakeholders collaborating to identify and implement priority actions.

OUTPUT	TARGET	ACTUAL			
		STATE	C'WLTH	OTHER	TOTAL
1. STRUCTURAL WORKS					
1.1 Channel (km)	1	3			3
1.4 Irrigation structure (ha)	156	692		73	765
1.5 Waterway structure (no.)	1	1			1
1.6 Terrestrial structure (no.)	3	3			3
1.7 Terrestrial feature (no.)	3	3			3
1.8 Monitoring structure (no.)	201	17	153	1	171
1.9 Fence (km)	34	47	17		64
1.10 Visitor Facility (no.)	21	25			25
1.11 Road (km)	32	37			37
1.12 Crossing (no.)	8	3			3
2. ENVIRONMENTAL WORKS					
2.1 Vegetation (ha)	481	416	146		562
2.2 Weed control (ha)	120,697	112,703	14,372		127,075
2.3 Pest animal control (ha)	308,236	260,663	75,287		335,950
2.8 Earth works (no.)	2	2			2
3. MANAGEMENT SERVICES					
3.3 Water (no.)	45	48			48
4. PLANNING AND REGULATION					
4.1 Approval and advice (no.)	373	277		107	384
4.2 Management agreement (no.)	125	104		53	157
4.3 Assessment (no.)	510	509	84	37	630
4.4 Engagement event (no. participants)	5,016	4,854	2,306	535	7,695
4.5 Partnership (no.)	166	142	25	8	175
4.6 Plan (no.)	143	94	18	5	117
4.7 Publication (no.)	477	388	139	40	567
4.8 Information management system (no.)	17	16		1	17