



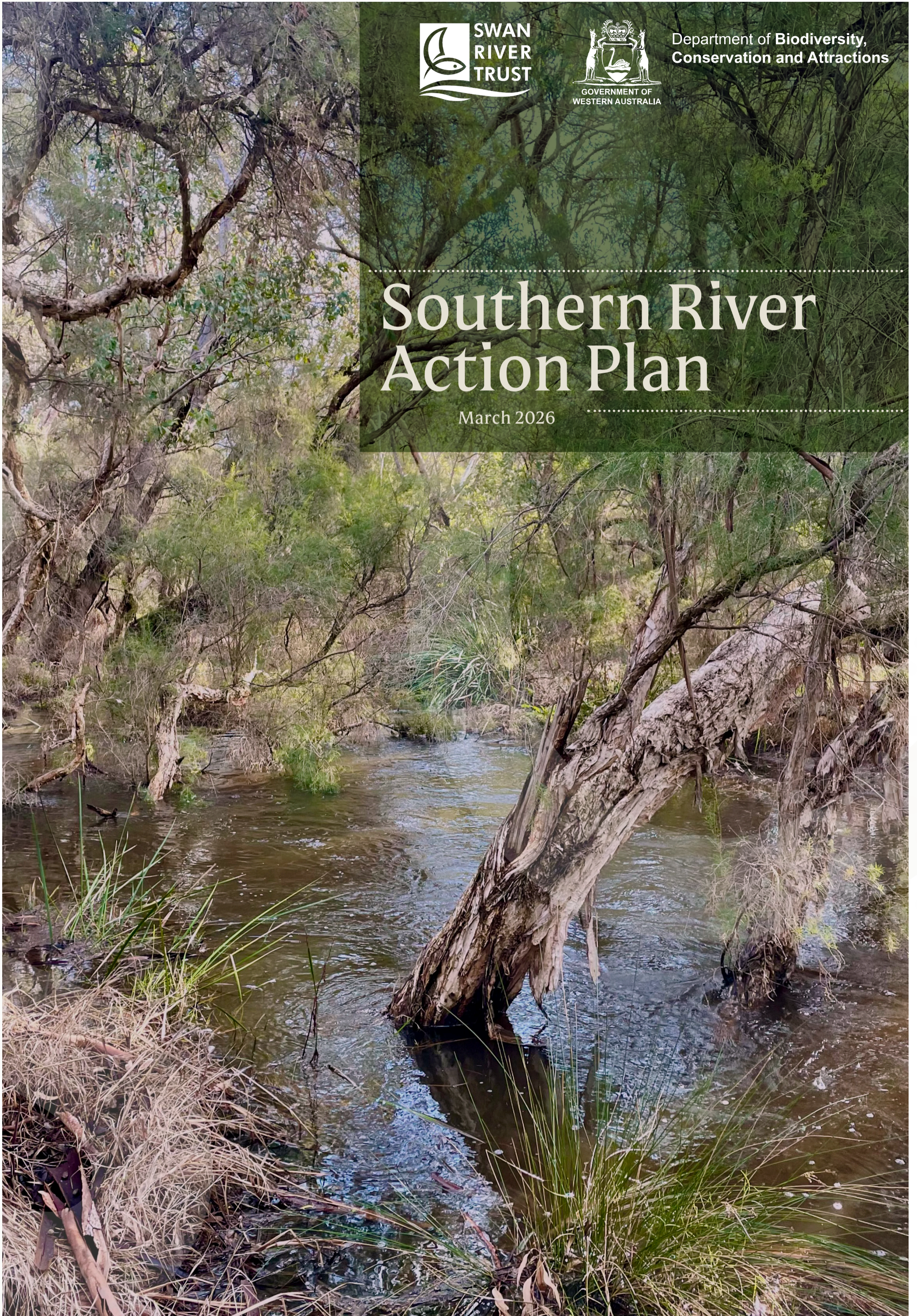
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# Southern River Action Plan

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# Southern River Locality



# Introduction



The Southern River Action Plan (the Action Plan) aims to support achievement of the locality-specific policy statements contained within the Southern River Locality Plan. The actions should be delivered when planning and undertaking works in the locality, as opportunities present.

The Action Plan is a guidance document and can be updated as needed.

<b>Action</b> <i>Delivery is subject to funding and resources</i>	<b>Timing (years)</b> 0-2, 2-5, 5+, on-going	<b>Key agencies</b>	<b>Notes</b>
SR.1 Undertake an assessment of and long-term planning for foreshore Regional Open Space reserve in this locality, particularly where the reserve is narrow or does not include the flood fringe, such as land in the vicinity of Bullfinch Street (Huntingdale), Roscommon Vista (Huntingdale), Leslie Street (Southern River), Margaret Street (Southern River/Gosnells), Matison Street (Southern River), Chandilla Street (Gosnells), the area between Matison Street (Southern River) and Tonkin Highway (Southern River) and the area between Verna Street (Gosnells) and Tonkin Highway (Gosnells).	5+	DBCA, SRT, CoG, WAPC	Consider as part of strategic planning.
SR.2 Review the width of the Regional Open Space reserve associated with Southern River upstream of the Tonkin Highway Bridge to encompass the floodway and sections of the flood fringe to ensure that the reserve meets the needs of the future community in the area.	5+	CoA, DBCA, SRT, DWER, WAPC	Consider as part of strategic planning.
SR.3 Strategically plan for securing in public ownership areas reserved for Regional Open Space and within the DCA. This plan would consider the end land manager.	Ongoing	DBCA, SRT, WAPC, CoG	Consistent with State policy and proactively when opportunity presents.
SR.4 Undertake infill sewer connection, preferencing lots within 100 metres of a waterway, including along Bullfinch Street (Huntingdale) and Leslie and Margaret Streets (Southern River).	5+	WC, DBCA	Undertake strategically and as part of related proposals.
SR.5 Undertake broad strategic recreation (passive and active) and public open space planning for areas proposed for increased density to ensure that the foreshore reserve remains a place for passive activities and enjoyment of nature.	2-5	CoG, DBCA	To inform foreshore improvement works in these locations.
SR.6 Collaborate with local governments to determine the views and view corridors from select public vantage points to be protected and maintained. Locations to be considered include Windsor Drive (Gosnells) viewing platform, Richard Rushton Community Centre Footbridge, Southern River Bridge (near the Southern River Hall), Masjid Ibrahim Mosque and Todd Place crossing.	2-5	DBCA, CoG	
SR.7 Develop a foreshore walk trail for this locality that incorporates opportunities to learn about river ecology, conservation, history and heritage, including through art, interpretation and signage.	2-5	DBCA, CoG, WAPC	Consider as part of strategic planning.
SR.8 Develop a restoration and protection plan for the Southern River and Wungong River foreshore to share resourcing and coordinate management activities across mixed land tenure.	5+	DBCA, CoG, CoA, WAPC, DWER	
SR.9 Undertake planning to maintain water flows in the Southern River and Wungong River, and reduce surface water abstraction by private and commercial users, where possible, such as through implementation of water efficiency measures.	2-5	DWER, DBCA	
SR.10 Work to improve water quality within the drainage lines that flow from Forrestdale Lake to Southern River.	5+	WC, CoA, DBCA	

CoA City of Armadale

CoG City of Gosnells

DBCA Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions

DWER Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

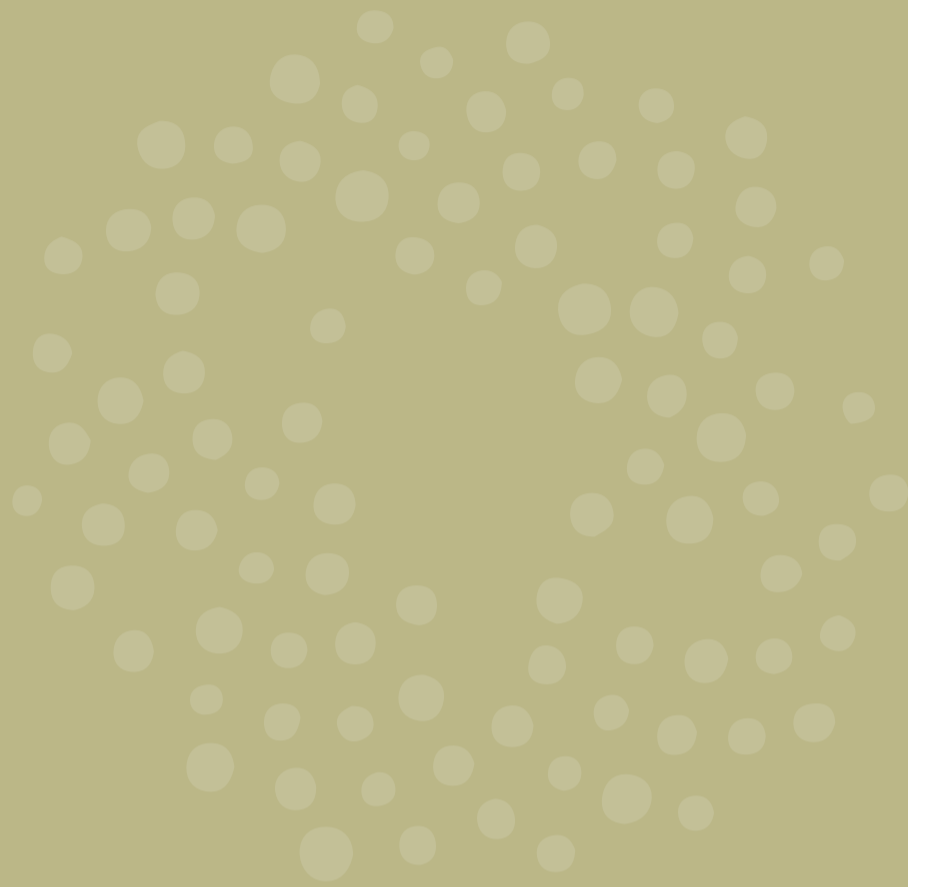
SRT Swan River Trust

WAPC Western Australian Planning Commission

WC Water Corporation



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