



MILTON RAINFOREST REGENERATION BUSHCARE ACTION PLAN

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Reserve Name:	Milton School Rainforest
Reserve Number:	SMI900
Land Tenure:	SCC Public Land
Comm. Land Type:	Community Land - Natural Area/Bushland

1. BUSHCARE GROUP GOALS

Aim:

To enhance the environmental quality of Milton Rainforest through the maintenance and rehabilitation of natural areas.

Goals:

Continue maintenance of native areas of bush.

Creation and care of "Native Islands" in heavily infested weed areas.

Increase native plant population through planting and maintenance.

Maintain progress of past works through continued maintenance.

Complement and maintain works carried out by other groups through follow up weed removal and maintenance.

Source further grant funding opportunities to continue with the regeneration of the Milton – Ulladulla Sub Tropical Rainforest on the reserve and the upgrading of tourism facilities such as the walking track.

2. SHOALHAVEN BUSHCARE GROUP ACTION PLAN - To be in conjunction with attached site map.

NOTE: priority should be rated as H = High (within 12 months); M = Medium (1-3 years); L = Low

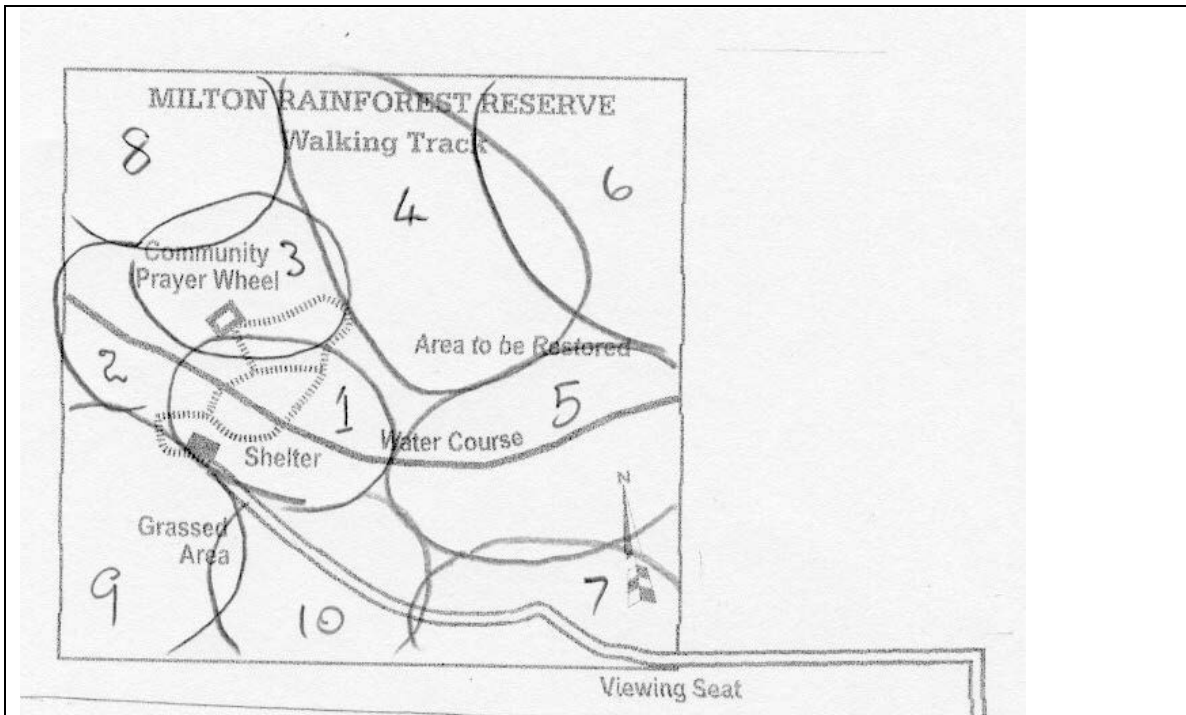
GROUP ACTION (these should relate to your project description)	PRIORITY	METHOD	TIME
Follow-up weed control in all areas previously worked	M		On going
<p>Site 1 Spray and hand remove weeds Build roof for shelter as per the DA Approval Re-install tank Extend the closed off track on the north side of the steel bridge to facilitate Bushcare worker access downstream (not for public access) Spot spray track edges on the Northern side to control Madiera Vine and Turkey Rhubarb.</p>	H	Spot spray and hand remove, Bushcare to seek funding for roof over shelter.	2010 and on going
<p>Site 2 Extension/Installation of track from Site 1 near shelter to Site 3 near community prayer wheel</p>	L	Seek funding to extend track.	Completed
<p>Site 3 Maintain community prayer wheel, get contractor to finish project</p>	L	Seek funding assistance from Council.	
<p>Sites 4, 5, 6 and 1 Maintenance of weeds through spraying and hand removal. Specific focus on continued control and removal (from contractors) of Madiera Vine, Turkey Rhubarb, Moth Vine, Asparagus Fern, Bridal Creeper and Lantana (leaving till last) and ensure follow up weed removal and maintenance is carried out. Once weeds removal is complete create 'islands' of native vegetation</p>	H	Bushcare Group to spot spray and hand remove regrowth Madeira, Privet in areas where contractors have been and continue to remove climbing Madiera Vine. Council high volume spray heavy infestations zones.	On going

GROUP ACTION (these should relate to your project description)	PRIORITY	METHOD	TIME
Site 7 & 10 Maintain the spread of Coral trees along boundary and replant with alternative native stock, Remove Madeira vine Carry out maintenance of track and current plant stock	M	Drill and inject or cut and paint small trees. Council to cut down dead Coral. Tree, Hand removal of Madiera	On going and planting as needed
Site 9 Clearly establish boundary of Bushcare Group area and Milton Public School	L	Have southern boundary of the reserve surveyed	2010

Weed maintenance

	July	August	September	October	Nov	December
Task	Madeira Vine	Madeira Vine	Planting	Planting	Small leaf Privet	
Task	Wandering Jew	Wandering Jew	Herbaceous Weeds	Herbaceous Weeds	Herbaceous Weeds	
Who	Contract/ Group Follow up	Contract/ Group follow up	Group	Group	Group Contractor as required	
Where	Zone 7 & trackside all Zone 1, as required	Zone 7 & Zone 1, as required	Zones 2, 3	Zones 1, 2	Rainforest	Trackside Trackside and 4 &
When	Ongoing					

3. BUSHCARE GROUP ACTION PLAN MAP



The Zone's



1. Rainforest beginnings.
2. Creek Head
3. Prayer Wheel Area
4. Grass lands
5. Privet Central
6. North Eastern Corner
7. South Eastern Corner
8. North Western Corner
9. South Western Corner.
10. The Old Swamp (Re-vegetated areas).

4. BUSHCARE GROUP OH&S AND EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS

TYPE OF ACTIVITY	SWMS NAME INCLUDED
Manual weed control (cut & paint, scrape & paint etc.)	Manual weed control Noxious weeds vegetation control
Chemical control (spraying of herbicides)	Weed control using backpack and smaller units Handling poisons
Planting	Tree removal and planting
Minor construction (walking track, fencing, outdoor furniture)	Landscaped area maintenance
Propagation & seed collection	Planting and seed collection
Education (school groups, field days etc.)	As appropriate
Other	Mowing using a tractor, ride-on or push mower

5. COUNCIL SUPPORT

- a. Assistance with sourcing, managing and reporting on grant funding
- b. Provision of all PPE, tools and herbicide
- c. Provision of OH&S training and information
- d. Organise contractor to install roof over the stage, as funds permit
- e. Provide a support worker for up to 4 hours per month to provide on-site training over 6 working bee sessions
- f. Liaise with Milton Public School representatives re reserve boundary
- g. Manage contractor works under SRCMA grant

6. HAS A SITE HAZARD AND RISK ASSESSMENT BEEN COMPLETED FOR THE BUSHCARE SITE?

YES

Attach a copy of the site/s risk assessment to the plan.

7. LIST THE PERSONAL PROTECTION EQUIPMENT (PPE) REQUIRED FOR VOLUNTEERS WHILST WORKING ON THE SITE

PPE EQUIPMENT REQUIRED	DATE ISSUED
First Aid Kit	2006
Gloves	2008
Sunscreen	2008
Insect repellent	2006

8. POSSIBLE FUTURE FUNDING

PROJECT	FUNDING SOURCE
Bridge installation and construction	SCC
Stage 2 & 3 of the Milton Ulladulla Sub Tropical Rainforest Restoration	Environmental Trust, SRCMA and Federal Environmental Grants

**9. PLAN WILL BE REVIEWED EVERY THREE YEARS
NEXT REVIEW DUE: APRIL 2013**

Note: The group should review a summary of the Bushcare Policy & Procedures at the time of each annual review

**10. LIST OTHER LOCAL/REGIONAL MANAGEMENT PLANS OR STRATEGIES
THAT THIS PLAN RELATES TO:**

DOCUMENT NAME	YEAR PRODUCED	PRODUCED BY
Generic Community Land Plan of Management - Natural Areas	2001	Shoalhaven City Council
Southern Rivers Catchment Action Plan	2005	SRCMA

11. SUGGESTED SPECIES LIST FOR FUTURE SITE REVEGETATION

OVERSTOREY TREES	
BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME
<i>Acmena smithii</i>	Lilly Pilly
<i>Alectryon subcinerus</i>	Native quince
<i>Disopyros australis</i>	Black Plum
<i>Dubosia myporoides</i>	Corkwood
<i>Ehretia acuminata</i>	Koda
<i>Rapanea variabilis</i>	Muttonwood
<i>Rapanea howittiana</i>	Howits Rapeana
<i>Streblus brunianthus</i>	Whalebone Tree
<i>Toona ciliata</i>	Red Cedar
SHRUBS	
BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME
<i>Acacia binervata</i>	Two-Veined Hickory
<i>Acacia madenii</i>	Maidens wattle
<i>Citriobatus pauciflorus</i>	Orange Thorn
<i>Ficus coronata</i>	Sanpaper fig
<i>Hymanthera dentata</i>	Tree Violet
<i>Pittosporum undulatum</i>	Native daaphne
UNDERSTOREY (GRASSES, HERBS, CLIMBERS)	
BOTANICAL NAME	COMMON NAME
<i>Clematis aristata</i>	Travellers Joy
<i>Entolasia stricta</i>	
<i>Eustrephus latifolius</i>	Wombat Vine
<i>Geitonoplessium cymosum</i>	Scrambling Lily
<i>Glycine tabacina</i>	Brush Glycine
<i>Hibbertia scandens</i>	Guinea Flower
<i>Microleana stipiodes</i>	Weeping
<i>Oplismenus imbecillus</i>	Basket Grass
<i>Pandora pandorana</i>	Wonga Vine
<i>Smilax australis</i>	Bushwalkers Curse

12. SITE WEED LIST

NOXIOUS	OTHER	CONTROL METHOD
Blackberry (<i>Rubus fruticosus</i>)		Stem scrape canes and paint on with neat round up or foliar spray with selective herbicide
<i>Lantana</i> (<i>Lantana camara</i>)		Cut stump application or foliar spray with roundup at ratio 1:100 during peak flowering periods
Large leaf Privet (<i>Ligustrum lucidum</i>)		Cut stump or frill and direct inject
	Bridal Veil Creeper (<i>Asparagus asparagoides</i> syn. <i>Myrsiphyllum asparagoides</i>)	Release Bridal Creeper rust and spot spray larger infestations with Glyosate at ratio of 1:100
	Erythrina x sykesii (Coral Tree)	Large trees need to be drilled and injected with neat Glyphosate smaller re growth can be treated using the cut stump method
	<i>Madeira Vine</i> (<i>Anredera cordifolia</i>)	Stem scrape isolated patches and bag all aerial tubers remove from site. Larger infestations need to be sprayed with selective
	Wandering Jew (<i>Tradescantia fluminensis</i>)	Hand remove smaller infestation and spray larger infestations with a selective herbicides.

ATTACHMENT: GROUP SUPPORT AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT NEEDS. This information helps to identify gaps that may exist between what the group require to function effectively and what the group has available. **This focuses on the group, overall, not individual members.**

<i>Tick one box only</i>	We are absolute beginners - don't know a great deal	We know a bit - enough to get by most of the time	We know quite a lot - and we know when to seek help	There's probably not much more we can learn on this	Comments
OH&S - develop and follow risk assessment					
Develop and/or monitor Action Plan					
Plant identification - local native plants					
Weed identification and control methods					
Bush regeneration methods					
Seed collection and propagation					
Group planning and decision making					
Managing neighbour relations					
Community education - schools, neighbours, etc.					
Volunteer/group member recruitment					
Preparing grant applications					

<p>List below the 10 most common plants that are indigenous to the area:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 	<p>List below the 10 most common plants that are <i>not</i> indigenous to the area:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10.
<p>Can all of the regular group volunteers identify these? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Can all of the regular group volunteers identify these? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>

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