



South East Regional Centre for Urban Landcare
A YEAR IN REVIEW
2017-18
 ANNUAL REPORT SUMMARY



'Community improving the health of our land and waterways'

Thank You

Improving the health of our land and waterways is at the forefront of SERCUL's operations and values.

We would like to sincerely thank the local community across the South region for their ongoing support and commitment to helping us achieve our aims this year.

We are greatly honoured to work alongside our project partners, industry partners, government agencies, local government, Aboriginal organisations, community groups and volunteers in the delivery of NRM and Landcare in the South region. We share our achievements with this positive and nurturing network.

To the many organisations and individuals who have provided support and volunteering for our NRM projects this year, we sincerely thank you.

As we commence the 2018-19 financial year, we look forward to continuing to work together to achieve more environmental and community outcomes for the South region, so that it continues to prosper.



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2017-2018 ACHIEVEMENTS



17 185
Hours of
volunteering



\$558 792
Total value of
volunteering



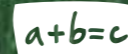
167 486
Plants installed



18 852
People engaged



53
Community
work days



67
Schools engaged



37
Friends of
Groups engaged



89
Waterway
sample sites



612
Samples collected

Value of volunteering \$33.71/hr
(From Volunteering WA and the Department of Local Government and Communities)

WELCOME

Welcome to the South East Regional Centre for Urban Landcare's (SERCUL) 2017-2018 Annual Report summary to our stakeholders and community.

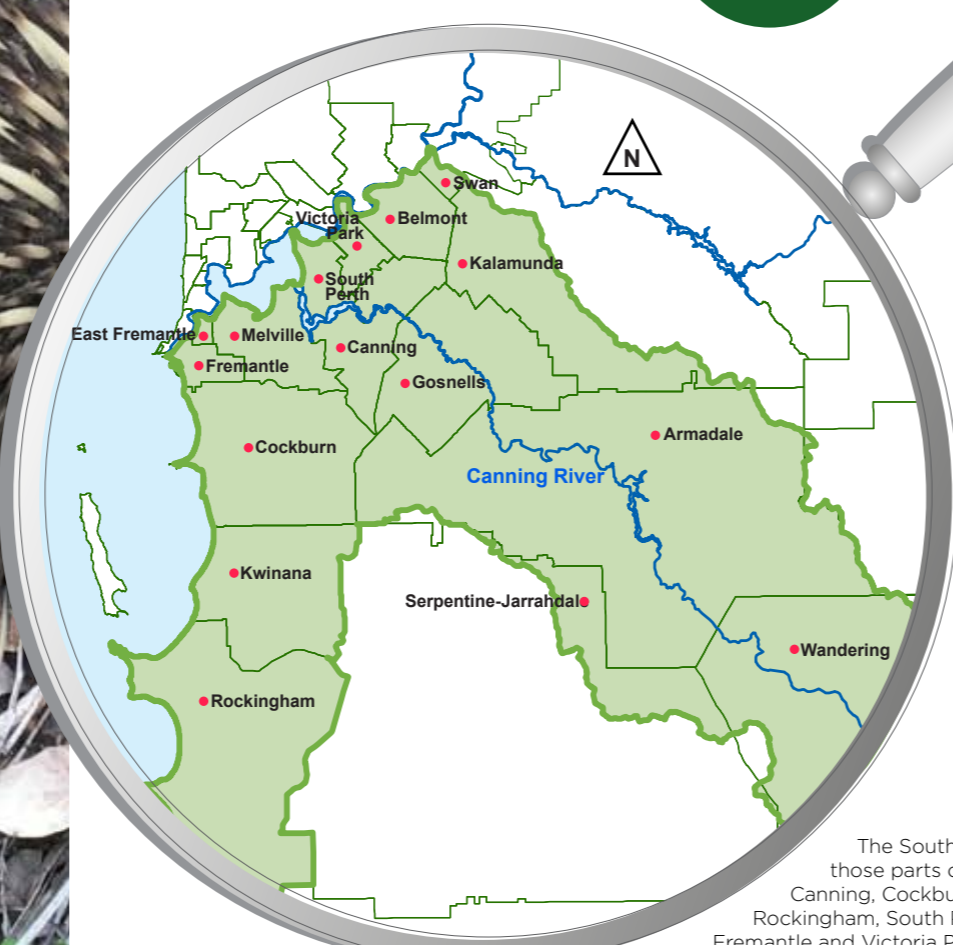
SERCUL is the sub-regional Natural Resource Management (NRM) organisation that operates within the metropolitan and peri-urban areas of the Canning River Catchment. As part of the community we work with State and Federal Government agencies, Local Governments, businesses and volunteers to care for the environment and our local communities. This is done in many ways; working to improve biodiversity, protecting riverine environments, working with turf managers to sustainably improve turf best management practices, and engaging with our extensive community network to increase knowledge and skills in environmental management.

The 2017-18 financial year has been challenging for the SERCUL Executive Committee and staff on a number of fronts. During this financial year some major staffing changes occurred at SERCUL which has shaped how we go about our business. We also implemented a new accounting and payroll system and a complete overhaul of our Chart of Accounts. This new accounting system and how we manage our income and expenses in the system showed us that we were not in the stable financial position that we thought we were in. This has led us to thoroughly review our overhead administrative costs to reduce them where possible, to some staff voluntarily reducing their hours to help save money in our largest expenses area, wages, and for our Environmental Services Unit to attract more fee for service work through tenders and requests for quote.

Even though we have had a few challenges we are extremely proud of this year's achievements, which we have undertaken in partnership with the community and a range of other important project partners and stakeholders. Through these partnerships we have been working together to improve the health of our land and waterways.

LANDCARE & RESTORATION

- Drainage Nutrient Intervention Program
- Canning River Restoration
- Booragoon and Blue Gum Lakes
- Bull Creek Catchment Restoration
- Hydrocotyle Eradication Program
- Bowra & O'Dea and Trillion Trees Memorial Groves Project
- Horley Road Wetland Rehabilitation
- Wetland to Waves
- Woodman Point
- Yagan Reserve



The South Region is defined as consisting of those parts of the Cities of Armadale, Belmont, Canning, Cockburn, Fremantle, Gosnells, Kwinana, Melville, Rockingham, South Perth, Shire of Kalamunda and Towns of East Fremantle and Victoria Park which fall within the boundary of the Swan Natural Resource Management Region.

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

- Phosphorus Awareness Project
- Bennett Brook Education Program
- Fertilise Wise Fertiliser Training
- Mizzie Wise Program
- Booyi Cultural Program
- Little Green Steps WA



MONITORING & RESEARCH

- Water Quality Monitoring
- Adenia Research Program
- Horley Road Wetland - Biomonitoring



COMMUNITY CAPACITY

- Volunteer Program
- Community Group Support
- Work for the Dole Program
- Bannister Creek Catchment Group
- Armadale Gosnells Landcare Group

