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# Tri-State Murray NRM Regional Alliance

## Collaborating for a better future

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# The Murray

- Murray is 2,508km long
- Equiv. to the Ganges and the Zambezi
- Australia's longest river
- Catchment ~ 1 million square kms.
- Average rainfall of 430 mm/yr.
- Traditional owner groups inhabited the Murray for over 10,000 years
- Longest canoe race in the world

# About the Alliance.

- 56 NRM regional NRM organisations in Australia
- Alliance is between six that cover the Murray with 300 staff
- Underpinned by different legislative responsibility
- Six community endorsed natural resource regional plans
- Proven track record of successful collaborations
- Demonstrated ability to catalyse action and gain support from industry and the community

# The Alliance Landscape

- Covers 21.2 Million hectares
- Contributes 50% of water in the Murray
- Home to 800,000 people
- 500 national and state recognised threatened species
- 10 internationally recognised sites
- Supports $7.2 billion of

# Strategic Goals of the Alliance

- Increase efficiency of delivery
- Build capability and capacity
- Increase influence on natural resource outcomes

# What the Alliance can achieve together?

- Create large enough corridors that are resilient to ongoing pressures including climate change.
- Connect long enough reaches of restored in-stream and riparian to support key threatened species.
- Large scale pest plants and animal control.

# What can the Alliance achieve together?

- **Share the knowledge and approaches from across the diversity of Murray landscapes and communities to create efficiencies and reduce duplication.**

- **Establish whole-of-Murray monitoring so the results are trusted and used to inform strategic adaptive management**

# What can the Alliance achieve together?

- Assist the private sector navigate across the three State's different requirements and structures, creating confidence and reducing red tape.

- Coordinate environmental works with the creation of internationally renowned eco-tourism experiences.

# The way forward

- **Conversations with investors, partners, traditional owners, industry and the broader community.**

- **Proof of concept – joint program linking water and land management practices to protect endangered species.**

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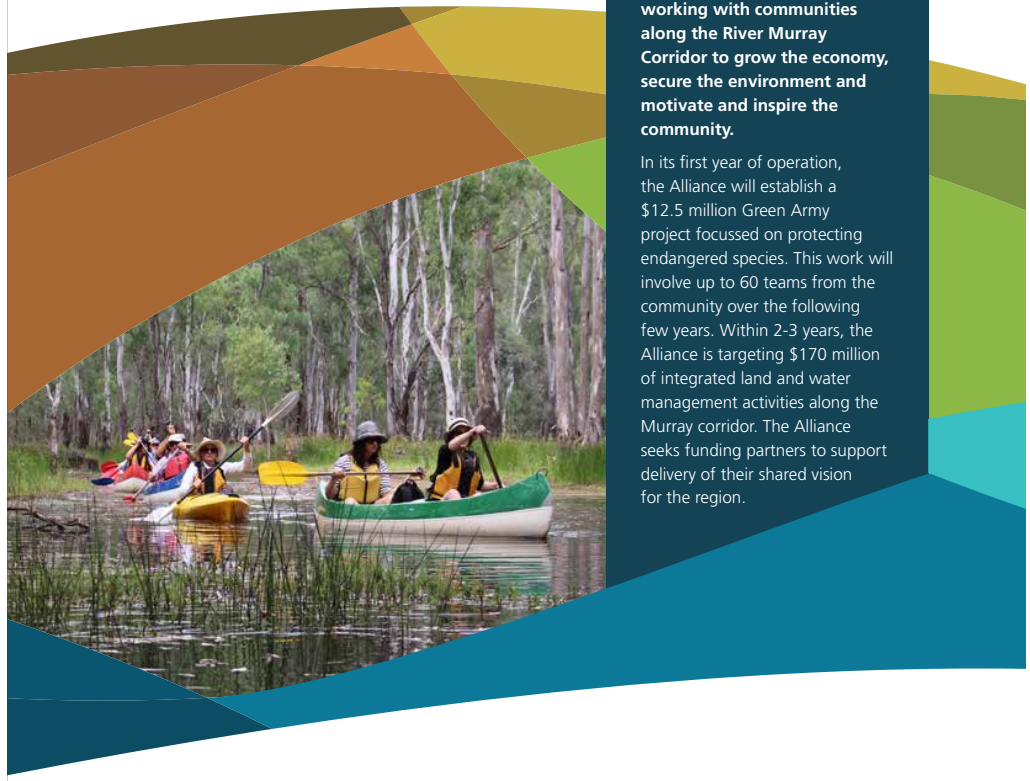
## Growing the economy, securing the environment and motivating the community



**The Murray NRM Alliance is working with communities along the River Murray Corridor to grow the economy, secure the environment and motivate and inspire the community.**

In its first year of operation, the Alliance will establish a $12.5 million Green Army project focussed on protecting endangered species. This work will involve up to 60 teams from the community over the following few years. Within 2-3 years, the Alliance is targeting $170 million of integrated land and water management activities along the Murray corridor. The Alliance seeks funding partners to support delivery of their shared vision for the region.

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