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Grants delivered to Communities for Nature

State Liberal Member for Northern Victoria Amanda Millar congratulated local community groups in the Macedon Ranges who will share in \$4 million from the latest round of the Victorian Coalition Government's Communities for Nature environmental grants program.

"It is great to see so many of the Macedon Ranges environmental groups and community organisations receiving grants to fund significant environmental projects close to home," Mrs Millar said.

The Communities for Nature grants program supports local community groups by providing grants to complete on-ground works to conserve and enhance their local natural environment.

\$254,874 has been allocated to the Macedon Ranges area to target environmental projects that enhance our region's native flora and fauna ecosystems.

Successful recipients of the Communities for Nature grants program are:

- Newham & District Landcare Group \$157,500
- Upper Campaspe Landcare Network \$57,800
- Tylden Landcare Group \$20,000
- Campaspe River & Land Management Group \$10,000
- Scouts Australia Victorian Branch Lerderderg Region (Treetops Scout Camp and Activity Centre) \$9,574

"I congratulate these active community groups on their initiative and commitment to our environment and recommend other organisations throughout the electorate to access this and similar grants programs in the future," Mrs Millar said.

Minister for Environment and Climate Change Ryan Smith said the Coalition Government's \$4 million Communities for Nature grant round delivers practical and meaningful partnerships between government, community and environmental groups.

"Our environment will benefit to the tune of \$20 million though local initiatives supported by the Coalition Government's Communities for Nature program.

Communities for Nature grants directly support local groups to carry out important ecological projects, while contributing to their local community's environment.

These grants are another example of the Coalition Government's ability to deliver real and tangible support to local communities that directly benefit the environment," Mr Smith said.

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