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29 September 2022.

Land confirmed for Coastcare Environmental Hub

Redland City Council has approved a five-year trustee lease for Coastcare to develop an Environmental Hub and storage facility on part of the Laurie Burns Recreation Reserve.

The decision which was made at Council's general meeting earlier this month comes after six years of site investigations and heralds the start of the next stage of planning and approvals.

Coastcare will be responsible for the cost of providing the facility, using donations and grants to fund the design, site preparation and construction on approximately 340 square metres of bushland discreetly setback from Elizabeth Street opposite the Energex property.

The Department of Resources confirmed its preference for Council to enter into a trustee lease over the required area noting its use is consistent with the primary purpose of the Reserve being Recreation and Local Government.

Coastcare's goal is to minimise environmental impact, working around existing mature trees to build the Hub which will provide storage for work equipment, including two trailers as well as community space for meeting and training. The site will be weeded and landscaped with native plants to encourage use of endemic species to support wildlife and reduce weed infestation.





Above left: Proposed Hub building site beyond the slip-rail with mature trees and vegetation to be retained **Right** view from site towards the Energex shed.

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We'll return to Flinders (Outriggers) beach this Saturday 1 October for our regular working bee.

Please join us between 2 - 4pm to lend a hand weeding, planting and generally tending the dunes.

We meet where the Coastcare flags fly at the picnic area by the bollards where we enjoy a cuppa and chat afterwards.

Just a reminder to wear covered shoes, long pants, hat sun-screen and insect repellant. We'll provide the equipment.

Newcomers, especially families are always welcome and there are jobs to match all abilities. Please don't hesitate to ring Jane on 0479139527 or Bryan on 0487054127 with any query.

Date Claimers

The first Saturday of the month is always an afternoon working bee at one of our Council-approved worksites around the conservation foreshore.

- Save Saturday 5 November & Saturday 3 December from $2.30-4.30~\mathrm{pm}.$
- Friday 2 December Coastcare Christmas Party

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'Connect with Nature' Mindfulness Workshop & Weeding Event

Melaleuca Wetlands, Coochiemudlo Island Saturday 22nd October | 9:30AM - 1:00PM

Join us at the Melaleuca Wetlands to commemorate 'Mental Health Week' by participating in a 'connection to nature' workshop facilitated by our good friends, Bushtekniq.

You will have the opportunity to reconnect with land and with oneself. You will also learn to deepen your observation, listening and tracking skills, growing connection with place.

We will also do some weeding as part of the event, so please make sure to wear a long-sleeve shirt, long pants, a hat, enclosed shoes and to bring gloves and a drink bottle.

Meeting location:

Melaleuca Wetlands, 80 Victoria Parade East Lower, Coochiemudlo
Island, 4184

Find out more or to register interest: eporter@cva.org.au | 0427 510 528







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