

Recreational Fishing Community Grants Programme

Hooked on Sustainable Fishing in the Swan Hill Region

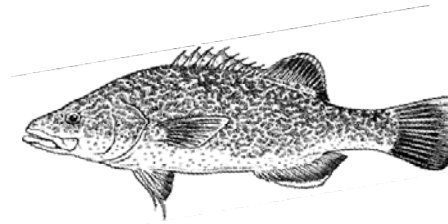
The National Centre for Sustainability, based at Sunraysia Institute of TAFE, Swan Hill submitted a proposal under the Australian Government, Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Recreational Fishing Community Grants: *“Hooked on Sustainable Fishing in the Swan Hill region”*.

The Programme Manager for the Recreational Fishing Community Grants Programme agreed to the proposal.

Hooked on Sustainable Fishing

**The National Centre for Sustainability
&
Sunraysia Institute of TAFE
Swan Hill**

Invite fish enthusiasts to participate in:



- Free public awareness sessions relating to sustainable fishing & riparian protection
- October 3rd & 4th

THE VISION

To improve recreational fishing opportunities, access and participation;

- To enhance sustainable resource use and fishing practices by recreational fishers;
- To develop a sense of ownership, awareness and responsibility amongst recreational fishers for the sustainable use of fish resources and fish habitats;
- To maintain or enhance fish habitats for present and future generations; and
- To develop partnerships between governments, the recreational fishing community, and associated industries to conserve, restore and enhance the values of recreational fisheries throughout Australia.





PROJECT OUTCOMES:

Recreational fishing issues addressed include;

- Identification & protection of indigenous aquatic species
- Identification & control of introduced invasive aquatic species
- Biodiversity and the role it plays in freshwater habitats
- Riparian vegetation & the removal of dead wood & snags from waterways
- Fish populations & movements
- Correct fishing procedures
- Licensing & regulatory requirements
- Social impact on communities

Further information can be obtained from

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