

A Better Future for Brownhill Creek

The restoration of the Brownhill Creek channel is required for *all* eight flood mitigation options, based on the expert recommendation of the *Brown Hill Keswick Creek Stormwater Management Plan-Part B Report* and the BHKCS Project Steering Group.

There is now an opportunity to rehabilitate the waterway and re-establish the value of Brownhill Creek as a significant NATURAL ASSET for creek owners and our community.

The restoration of Brownhill Creek will provide:

- Diverse native habitat, with a natural creek bed, suitable native trees, shrubs and grasses (179 invasive trees to be removed from the creek and *replaced* on the banks for *all* 8 options).
- Sufficient capacity to mitigate occasional high flows through *limited* creek widening.
- An improvement in water quality and opportunities for groundwater recharge.
- A healthy community connection with natural Brownhill Creek.
- A creek that is sought after and cared for by those fortunate enough to have it close to their home.
- Benefits for creek owners: direct flood protection, *no forced easements*, an improved creek environment and the fulfillment of their legal obligations for creek maintenance.

The future of Brownhill Creek is in your hands*.

How to help:

1. Seek *factual* information during the public consultation from May 13 to June 23.
2. Visit www.bhkcstormwater.com.au to find out how to obtain a Feedback Form.
3. **Choose Option D on your Feedback Form.**
4. Return your completed Feedback Form by Tuesday, June 23.

Option D is the Preferred Option* because:

- It provides the required level of flood protection (1 in 100 year).
- It has the lowest capital cost and lowest ongoing maintenance costs, enabling Part B works to meet budgeted cost estimates.
- It preserves sites of heritage significance.
- It does not require bypass culverts in suburban streets.
- It satisfies the endorsed position of *all* 5 catchment councils to give preference to a feasible 'no dam' solution.



BCA Steering Committee:

Brownhill Creek Association (BCA), incorporated since 1997, has the objective of protecting and maintaining the natural heritage of Brownhill Creek for the enjoyment of the community.

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* Goal 1 of *Our Place, Our Future the State NRM Plan 2012-2017*: "People taking responsibility for natural resources and making informed decisions".

* *BHKCSMP Part B Report Summary Brochure*, page 7.