

# BRINGING BACK NATIVE FISH

## The Namoi Demonstration Reach

### WHY?

Native fish in the Namoi River are important and under threat



Purple-spotted Gudgeon



Freshwater Catfish



Silver Perch



Murray Cod

### CAUSES



Clearing Vegetation



Land Use



Barriers to fish passage



River Regulation



Introduced Fish



Removal of instream snags

### WHAT CAN BE DONE?

Use the demonstration reach approach, which has...



An Empowered Community



Strong Ownership



Partnership Approach



Big Picture



Long-Term Strategy



Supported With Sound Science

### WE KNOW IT WORKS

Success of the Namoi Demonstration Reach has come from a partnership between the Namoi Catchment Management Authority, NSW Department of Primary Industries, the Murray-Darling Basin Authority, Boggabri Coal, Narrabri Shire Council, Narrabri Amateur Fishing Club, Red Chief Aboriginal Land Council, the Boggabri Landcare-Rivercare group and local landholders.



Over 15,000 native plants planted



300 snags installed



Over 33km of weed control



30km of river frontage fenced



20 offstream stock watering points installed



8 eroded gullies restored



225km of fish passage restored at 4 sites



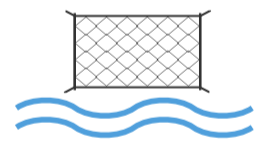
Many field days and community events



Over 1,000 recreational anglers participating in carp removal activities



7 wetland management plans



Trialling of screens to reduce native fish entrapment in off take channels

### FIND OUT HOW

Open the Finbox and apply the four Demonstration Reach pillars - visit [www.finterest.com.au](http://www.finterest.com.au)... For further information on Namoi Demonstration Reach contact Milly Hobson (NSW Department of Primary Industries Regional Officer; [milly.hobson@dpi.nsw.gov.au](mailto:milly.hobson@dpi.nsw.gov.au))

