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ONE  
ESTUARY**  
Healing bilya

At Alcoa, we care about the environment and the communities near where we operate. In Western Australia, we are proud to lead the Three Rivers, One Estuary initiative – a multi-million dollar investment in Peel waterways, which are the environmental, economic and social lifeblood of the region.

Through this initiative, Alcoa has brought together three highly respected conservation organisations to work towards a shared vision – restoring the health of the Serpentine, Murray and Harvey rivers and the Peel-Harvey Estuary that they feed.

In partnership with Alcoa, The Nature Conservancy, Peel-Harvey Catchment Council and Greening Australia are reversing the impacts of more than 200 years of European settlement along these waterways, which provide immense environmental, economic and social benefits to the region.

The initiative recognises that the Bindjareb Noongar people have looked after these waterways for more than 50,000 years and seeks to acknowledge, learn from and build on that continuing connection.

This work is made possible by Alcoa's global charity, the Alcoa Foundation.

More than  
**\$4 million**

**in Alcoa Foundation funding  
has been provided for projects  
that support the Three Rivers,  
One Estuary initiative**





### Peel-Harvey Catchment Council

#### Healing the Serpentine and Murray rivers

From 2018 to 2020, Peel-Harvey Catchment Council focused on the Serpentine River, facilitating on-ground and in-river activities including plantings, fencing, and weed and feral animal control. It also undertook important community education activities and delivered river health assessments to identify future priorities.

Between 2020 and 2023, PHCC will continue these efforts along the Serpentine River and extend this work to the Murray River.

### The Nature Conservancy

#### Restoring shellfish reefs in the estuary

From 2017 to 2019, The Nature Conservancy established the feasibility of restoring mussel reefs at key points in the Peel-Harvey Estuary to improve water quality and biodiversity.

Between 2020 and 2022, the organisation will work alongside community groups, schools and the Bindjareb Noongar community to install reefs. This will enhance local fish stocks, help improve water quality and boost the local economy.

### Greening Australia

#### Working across the rivers with a focus on helping the Harvey

From 2018 to 2020, Greening Australia led grassroots restoration activities including weed control and revegetation across the Serpentine, Murray and Harvey rivers in the Peel-Harvey Catchment.

Between 2020 to 2023, Greening Australia will focus on the Harvey River, conducting in and out of water rehabilitation along the struggling lower reaches, creating habitat pockets that will encourage fauna to re-establish and degradation to be reversed.

By the end of 2023

~ 190 organisations engaged

> 110,000 stems planted

> 30 river health plans and environmental surveys

~ 4500 individuals engaged

~ 100 community events

~ 140 community shellfish gardens