

## Water quality is important

We have many families who have lived in the area for generations and remember when fish and yabbies used to be plentiful. Things have changed, and we need to act to ensure healthy waterways now and for future generations.

Most of us have a creek on our property or close by. Some people in the area even use creek water in their homes. The water in our creeks and dams comes from rain which can pick up pollutants as it flows across our properties. Native plants and animals, the oyster and fishing industries, and recreational users downstream all depend on this water.



### What can we do?

#### ***Reduce pollutants:***

- Use nil or low phosphorus cleaners and detergents
- Use fertilisers and chemicals sparingly
- Collect and dispose of livestock manure to avoid nutrient runoff
- Keep only native fish, dispose of aquarium waste away from waterways

#### ***Reduce erosion:***

- Fence grazing animals away from waterways to avoid eroding banks
- Let rain water flow gradually to the creeks and through the ground
- Leave woody debris in creeks to slow the water flow
- Revegetate areas next to creeks and dams with native plants

***And most importantly: check and maintain our septic systems***

**For more detailed information and other useful links  
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