

## City gully restoration



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The Gully Restoration Programme is a partnership between Hamilton City Council and the community. The aim of this popular programme is to raise an awareness and appreciation of Hamilton's gully systems, and actively promote and enable the physical restoration of this resource.

This project benefits the community and helps with education of landowners whose properties back onto the 87 km of streams and open drains within the city. Residents receiving small amounts of plants and advice, feel motivated and supported in the restoration of their gullies, and are given the opportunity to be part of the gully restoration community.

The proposed project complements council's other Gully Restoration Programme. The project goals are:

- \* To encourage the restoration of Gully areas held in private ownership
- Restoration of Hamilton Streams is promoted and incentives made available to enhance restoration that compliments and extends the existing Plants for Gullies Programme.
- Support for seed collection and propagation of ecosourced plants is provided.
- Ecological restoration is promoted, understanding and using natural processes to maximise bang for buck.
- The Gully Seminar series provides opportunity to learn more, discuss relevant topics, planting, stream stabilisation, and plant identification with other gully enthusiasts and guest speakers.
- Partnering with University of Waikato for support with hosting the seminar series.

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