

CFOC – Protecting Ramsar sites and values under Sustainable Environment  
Reporting period 3 : July to Dec 2014

Merimo Project

The Merimo project is aimed at controlling the grazing pressure and changing the current management practices along Yowah and Western Creeks, both of which are major tributaries of the Paroo River. Both Yowah and Western Creeks have significant permanent waterholes and the areas surrounding these watering points are constantly overgrazed. This project has two stages both of which are fencing and the installation of alternative water points. The first stage is due to be completed by the 1<sup>st</sup> of June 2015, and the second stage to be completed by the 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2015. The fence line which is currently under construction will allow the property owner to control the grazing pressure of domestic stock as well as reduce the impact which feral animals, especially feral goats, will have on the health of the riparian zone of these tributaries.

Stage 1 of this project is currently under construction with the alternative water points installed and operational and the fencing currently being erected.

Photo 1 An example of waterhole.



Photo 2: Heavy machinery clearing the fence line.



This project is project while it is nearing completion is currently delayed due to the rainfall which has recently fallen on this property. To access this site the road crosses a couple of significant water courses and during wet weather these are un-crossable. However all material and machinery needed to complete this stage of the project are on site and is due to be completed on time.



Below: A map of Merimo and the project Area, this map shows the extent of the project which is being undertaken on Merimo and location of the fence lines and pipelines.



**MERIMO RAMSAR PROJECT**

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**Legend**

- Active Bores
- Proposed Water Pipelines
- Petroleum Pipelines
- Shane Warner Proposed Fenceline Stage 2
- Shane Warner Proposed Fenceline Stage 1
- Ramsar Minor Drainage
- Ramsar Major Drainage
- Properties/Names
- Minor Road SW NRM

1 cm = 1 km

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