

Title

Identification of corridors of river recovery for NSW Northern Rivers catchments

Abstract

By connecting corridors of river recovery, resilience can be built into river systems to mitigate against future floods and droughts driven by anthropogenic disturbance or climate extremes. This database can be used to systematically analyse where corridors of geomorphic river recovery could be created via conservation or rehabilitation. Analysis is undertaken in ArcGIS using the recovery potential layer of the Open Access NSW River Styles database that is available from DPIE (www.dpie.nsw.gov.au). The River Styles database was accessed in January 2021. The database and associated workflow identifies reach and loci connections based on different combinations of recovery potential classes. Reach connections are defined as an upstream to downstream section of river that is connected end-to-end, and loci connections are defined as isolated sections of river from which recovery can be seeded and extended into adjacent reaches. This map for all freshwater stream length of the NSW Northern Rivers catchments, shows the spatial distribution of thirteen connections based on combinations and sequences of conservation, strategic and high recovery potential targets. Other connections of interest to river practitioners can be identified and >80 different user-defined scenarios run using a workflow available at protocols.io.

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- Agnew D, Fryirs K (2022) Identifying corridors of river recovery in coastal NSW Australia, for use in river management decision support and prioritisation systems. PLoS ONE 17(6): e0270285. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0270285>
- Agnew D, Graves BP, Fryirs K (2022) A GIS workflow for the identification of corridors of geomorphic river recovery across landscapes. PLoS ONE 17(12): e0278831. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0278831>

The workflow is available at: <https://www.protocols.io/view/a-gis-workflow-for-the-identification-of-corridors-n2bvj8625gk5/v1>

Resource locator

[Show on SEED Web Map](#)

Name: Show on SEED Web Map

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Description:

Display dataset on SEED's map

Function: download

[DQS - Identification of corridors of river recovery for NSW Northern Rivers catchments](#)

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Data Quality Statement for the Identification of corridors of river recovery for NSW Northern Rivers catchments

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[Data Download - Northern Rivers](#)

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Protocol: WWW:DOWNLOAD-1.0-http--download

Description:

ZIP file contains a shapefile and .lyr file

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REST service for Northern Rivers

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Unique resource identifier

Code b712a975-f907-41cd-ba50-e5e098c52593

Presentation form Map digital

Dataset language English

Metadata standard

Name ISO 19115

Edition 2016

Dataset URI <https://datasets.seed.nsw.gov.au/dataset/b712a975-f907-41cd-ba50-e5e098c52593>

Purpose This database provides practitioners with a user-friendly distillation of where river conservation and rehabilitation activities could be focussed when working with river recovery in practice. Combined with local on-ground knowledge, this information forms an important input to evidence-based prioritisation and decision making in river management.

Status Completed

Spatial representation

Type vector

Spatial reference system

Code identifying the spatial reference system 4283

Topic category

Keyword set	
keyword value	WATER-Rivers
Originating controlled vocabulary	
Title	ANZLIC Search Words
Reference date	2008-05-16
Geographic location	
West bounding longitude	151.4
East bounding longitude	153.64
North bounding latitude	-31.81
South bounding latitude	-28.16
Vertical extent information	
Minimum value	-100
Maximum value	2228
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Code identifying the coordinate reference system	5711
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