

## **‘Blue Banded Bees Bridging Brex, Broadhurst and BT Connor Reserves in Reservoir’**

*A photopoint comparison of works conducted by Merri Creek Management Committee (MCMC) by Merri Creek in Reservoir under a Melbourne Water Community Project Grant between January 2017 and June 2018.*

### **BEFORE PHOTOS**

DATE April 2017



Broadhurst Reserve, Reservoir:

Dense infestation of weedy grasses including Chilean Needle Grass, Phalaris and Panic Veldt Grass below Reservoir escarpment.



BT Connor Reserve, Reservoir:

Dry north-facing escarpment with scattered wallaby grasses and Chilean Needle Grass recently chipped out.

### **AFTER PHOTOS**

DATE September 2018



Weed infestations treated, indigenous grass and herb understorey establishing.



Indigenous herbs including Matted Flax Lily and Austral Stork's Bill establishing.





Brex Crt, Reservoir:  
Dry escarpment infested with colonising weed species.



Weeds controlled, indigenous species establishing including Austral Tobacco, Austral Stork's Bill and Rough Spear Grass.



BT Connor Reserve, Reservoir.  
Dense blackberry infestation smothering native vegetation



Blackberry eradicated, riparian vegetation re-establishing.



Thirty-two volunteers contributed 80 hours of planting time on 16 July 2017 to plant indigenous vegetation that will help to resist weed reinvasion, provide habitat for local fauna and pollination partners for rare wildflowers.