

100,000 trees to help improve local native habitat

Regis Resources will plant up to 100,000 native trees to improve and increase habitat for koalas and other wildlife in Blayney and the NSW Central West.

The tree planting program will be spread over the life of the McPhillamys Gold Project, if the project is approved.

Regis Resources Manager Special Projects, Tony McPaul said the tree planting program would significantly increase the local habitat suitable for koalas and other native wildlife.

“After extensive surveys of the McPhillamys site we have only located one koala, but there are still areas suitable for koala habitat within the project boundary,” Tony said.

Regis has already planted over 6,000 native trees and another

8,000 are being prepared for planting in 2021.

Trees are now being grown by Central Tablelands Landcare and Skillset Land Works, from seeds collected on the site.

“If the project is approved we will continue planting during the life of the mine and in post-mining rehabilitation work, adding up to 100,000 trees to the local area.

“We have gone to great lengths to minimise disruption to all habitat areas and we are very focused on delivering long term habitat improvements for local wildlife,” he said.

To help offset the biodiversity impacts of the project Regis has also purchased a property (Aziel) which will permanently preserve, large areas of koala habitat.



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Regis has already planted thousands of native trees in corridors around the McPhillamys site and these will be added to over the life of the project, if approved.