

# NOOSA INTEGRATED CATCHMENT ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP PROSPECTUS 2023-2024

### NICA'S PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES



NICA'S STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:

Strengthen conservation of the Noosa River catchment

Enhance community knowledge

Improve awareness and understanding across the community

Contribute to improved water quality

Collaborate with, and support, partners within the catchment

Support science-based intervention to improve long-term sustainability

Explore and broaden funding sources

"The conservation and ecologically sustainable use of the Noosa River catchment"

854km<sup>2</sup> at the intersection of the Macleay-McPherson overlap

61 regional ecosystems

350 terrestrial vertebrate animals

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nationally significant wetlands

of coastal lagoons, rivers and creeks

> 1,340 plant species

> > 217

bird species

1,505km

A community of over 54,000 residents

For 26 years

one community organisation dedicated to its conservation and sustainable use

### Acknowledgement of country

## NICA'S VALUE CONTRIBUTION

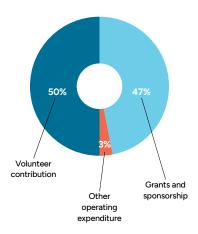
NICA's management committee, program coordinators and the members who participate in our programs are all volunteers from the Noosa community. Our programs, including expenditure on equipment and contractors, are funded through a combination of grants from third parties, donations from the community or the sale of merchandise and other income streams from NICA.

The contributions of volunteers towards NICA's programs ("in-kind" contributions), multiply the value of the grant and other funds received or deployed by NICA toward the Noosa catchment. In line with guidance from the Australian Bureau of Statistics, NICA applies an "in-kind" value of \$46 per volunteer hour contributed.

In FY2022, NICA estimates that our volunteers contributed over 5,000 hours toward our programs and the catchment – significantly multiplying every \$1 invested in our programs through grants and other funds.



NICA value contribution



5,000+ volunteer hours contributed

## NICA'S INTEGRATED CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

Since 1996, NICA's aim has been the conservation and ecologically sustainable use of the Noosa River catchment. NICA's integrated catchment management program is aligned to that purpose and organised across four linked thematics:

#### **Catchment Management**

including our Bushcare, Urban Wildlife Gardens and Get Your Wetlands programs;

including our Riverwatch, Waterwatch programs and aligned programs;

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### **Threatened Species**

Waterways

including our high priority biodiversity conservation programs (e.g. migratory shorebirds, aquatic ecosystems, flora species);



### **Community and Awareness**

spanning our botanical publications, Monday with NICA forum and community participation events (Clean Up Australia Day, Wildflower Festival, Tread Lightly).

NICA's activities and programs utilise the support of hundreds of volunteers of all ages from across our community, supported by a panel of expert contractors and external consultants.

NICA targets best-in-class citizen science outcomes and attracts funding to support our programs from grants, donations, merchandise and other income streams.

## NICA MEMBER BENEFITS

- Get involved in Noosa Integrated Catchment Association's (NICA) range of volunteer-led conservation and sustainable use programs focussed on the Noosa River catchment:
  - On-river programs including Riverwatch and Waterwatch
  - Threatened species recovery programs
  - Bushcare land restoration
  - Urban Wildlife Gardens
  - Educational workshops, events and excursions
- Learn about our fragile local environment from NICA's experts and gain new skills
- Come along to regular networking and social opportunities at NICA events and workshops
- Access NICA's member discount program including 10% off all merchandise and publications







## BECOME A NICA MEMBER

Thank you for your interest in becoming a NICA member. NICA is the largest volunteer-led active participation community organisation in Noosa. NICA is focussed on the conservation and sustainable use of the Noosa River catchment.

NICA membership offers the opportunity to directly participate in the conservation and sustainable use of our fragile local environment, learn from NICA's experts and join a like-minded group at a range of social and awareness events. By becoming a NICA member you will also enjoy a 10% discount on all NICA merchandise including our range of botanical publications.

Membership for the year 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024 is \$20 per person or \$35 per couple and you can renew your membership or join NICA by returning the form below to NICA at admin@noosariver.com.au or online at www.noosariver.com.au/nica-member. Payment is accepted by EFT, credit card or direct debit.

NICA's constitution can be read at **www.noosariver.com.au/constitution** and NICA has a current public liability insurance policy limited to \$30,000,000 for any one event.

\* indicates required

<ul> <li>Yes, by submitting this form, I/we agree to abide by the NICA Constitution. *</li> <li>Yes, please subscribe me to the NICA e-newsletter.</li> <li>Member name *</li> <li>Membership *</li> <li>Single (\$20)</li> <li>Couple (\$35)</li> </ul>	Which NICA programs are you interested in? *         On-river programs including Riverwatch and Waterwatch         Bushcare land restoration         Urban Wildlife Gardens         Educational or social events         'Do you agree to being contacted by a NICA Management Commitee member?' *         Yes       No
Second member's name (if applicable)	
Address *  Address *  Suburb *  Postcode *	Please scan for payment:   INDIVIDUAL   COUPLE   Image: State
Phone *	Or direct deposit Please include your surname: Noosa Integrated Catchment Association BSB: 633 000 Account: 148064363



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