

STRENGTHEN

Strathbogie

 BY INVESTING IN OUR
NATURAL ENVIRONMENT



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THE PROBLEM

The Strathbogie Shire has pristine natural assets and landscapes that are passionately valued by residents and visitors. Maintaining the integrity of the natural environment is critical to the region's future prosperity and sustainability.

Strathbogie Shire needs greater support and localised expertise in the areas of climate adaptation, roadside conservation and sustainable infrastructure to ensure the environment is protected and enhanced now and into the future.

THE SOLUTION

Strathbogie Shire is leading the way in all things sustainable living, particularly through its successful 'Bogie Bulk Buy' solar program which launched in 2017 and has seen many other Councils mirror the program.

Council needs greater support for locally driven projects to give Strathbogie the capacity to build this leadership into larger scale change and ensure regional Victoria continues to be a beautiful and healthy place to live, work and play.

THE ASK

Project	Description
Support for climate adaptation	Supporting industry, particularly agricultural enterprise, to adapt to climate change
Electric Vehicle infrastructure	Funding for electric vehicle charging infrastructure in the shire
Roadside Management of weeds and pests	Funding is currently insufficient to cover costs of such maintenance on a road network of the scale of Strathbogie Shire. If the aims of the program are to be met, funding would need to substantially increase
Support for renewable energy opportunities	Funding to explore opportunities for alternative sources of energy including wind and solar

THE RESULT

- ✓ Rural residents and business have **access to climate expertise and advice** which is **tailored to their needs**
- ✓ **Preservation of critically endangered roadside flora and fauna species** and some of the **highest biodiversity and habitat values in Victoria**
- ✓ **Tourism and economic growth** associated with increased visitation from electric vehicle drivers and protection of natural assets



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