

GREENING THE WEST

URBAN REVEGETATION



CLIENT

City West Water

PROJECT SUMMARY

The western suburbs of Melbourne are hotter and drier parts with communities that suffer from social, environmental and economic disparity. 'Greening the West' is an important large scale urban greening initiative that aims to contribute to positive health outcomes, a cooler climate and a clean environment by increasing trees and vegetation throughout its suburbs.

BACKGROUND

Our role was to review the evidence base for the role of urban greening in addressing these issues, identify the barriers to and opportunities for more urban greening and develop an implementation strategy to guide the development of Greening the West.

OUTCOMES

Application of a cost-benefit analysis that integrates social, environmental and financial data Integration of spatial health and environmental data to identify areas with health issues and that are also deficient in urban greening. We have developed a plan to integrate a range of project financing mechanisms to deliver projects and we have assessed opportunities for collaboration amongst the range of entities involved in the project.