

# Managing water resources with Aboriginal knowledge

## Video information

As part of the Tropical Rivers and Coastal Knowledge (TRaCK) research program, we documented and quantified Aboriginal social and economic values of aquatic resources and identified their flow links in the first study of its kind in Australia. The research was conducted over three years (2008-2010) in two tropical river catchments—the Daly River in the Northern Territory and the Fitzroy River in Western Australia—where water planners needed information on Aboriginal people's water requirements. Narrated by the traditional owner, Patricia Marrfurra McTaggart, this video focuses on the research conducted in the Daly River catchment.

Video transcript available here: <http://www.csiro.au/news/transcripts/...>

Aboriginal water values and management in northern Australia video link  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XMKYybtUJ-o&ab\\_channel=CSIRO](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XMKYybtUJ-o&ab_channel=CSIRO)

## Discussion Questions

1. Why is collecting bush tucker important?

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2. List 3 ways waterways important to the Aboriginal people

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3. How is knowledge being built around management of the local waterways?

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4 What methods and practices do Aboriginal people use to manage their needs from the environment? Give some examples from the video.

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5. What are some areas of concern that Aboriginal people and scientist who are trying to manage water health have regarding water use?

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Draw below what water means to you