

Environment

The Council's two draft priorities for the environment for the 3-year period 1 July 2006 to 30 June 2009 are:

- The Council will increase its promotion of water and energy efficiency and conservation, energy security, and the use of renewable energy sources, and it will take a more active leadership role in these areas.
- The Council will increase its efforts to improve the protection of streams.
- The Council will develop a coherent plan to address biodiversity issues, including removing and replacing hazardous trees.
- The Council will strengthen its partnerships with stakeholders to increase environmental awareness, community participation, and the achievement of environmental goals.