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SA has such beautiful scenery and is a jewel of the south, with amazing geology and wilderness areas, which need more protection from introduced plants and animals..

Serious threats to biodiversity are the many introduced species.

Weeds are a major enemy of natural bushland. Please declare more weeds such as swan plant milkweed, sticky burr grass, caltrop and African boxthorn, so land holders and gardeners are more aware of them. More govt and shire on-ground actual weed control, will reduce the threat.

It is tedious physical work, but essential to biodiversity.

There is a prominent SA gardener who was selling toxic Swan Plant milkweed to help butterflies!

Native milkweeds exist!

There are educational programs to offer native plant alternatives to weedy garden plants. Perhaps a program such as -'Plant this instead' could be offered to shire councils. For example: Instead of polygala or butterfly bush, plant grevillea or emu bush. Under power lines, try hakea or low mallees. Maybe more targeted environmental education in schools could help to teach people a weed from a native plant!

Also, consider reducing starlings on the Eyre Peninsula, to reduce numbers travelling west.

Natural resource management requires continual vigilance and dedicated ongoing govt funding with more actual workers to get the jobs done.

Kind regards.

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