

Example 1. This small waterway on a dairy farm is typical of many agricultural drains in lowland Canterbury, with steep and eroding banks, nuisance aquatic weeds, and poor water quality. These photos show the series of restoration tools that were applied to address these issues and help improve waterway health.

1. Before



2. Hawthorn hedge removed



3. Banks rebattered



4. Riparian zone fenced and planted
(Two years post-planting with regular maintenance)



Example 2. This small waterway is on a cropping and sheep farm with multiple waterways within its boundaries. These photos show the series of restoration tools that were applied to address steep collapsing banks that were contributing sediments to the waterway and compromising irrigator bridges. Several sections of the waterway had thick beds of aquatic weeds that were causing blockages and flooding.

1. Before



2. Pampas hedge removed and banks rebattered



3. Riparian zone fenced and planted



4. Riparian zone fenced and planted
(Almost two years post-planting with regular maintenance)

