



Course Code:	ENV301
Course Cost:	\$160 (inc GST) paid upon enrolment
Delivery:	Online
Badged:	Yes (Upon 100% Completion)

Course Overview

Welcome to Caring for Our Land, a course tailored for those passionate about environmental stewardship and sustainable land management. This course explores New Zealand's unique environment and the impact of human activity, with a focus on practical strategies to reduce our environmental footprint.

Throughout this course, you will delve into the history of our environment, the challenges posed by traditional farming practices, and actionable solutions for sustainable farming. You will gain the skills and knowledge needed to make meaningful contributions to the care and preservation of our land.

This course is ideal for:

- Farmers and landowners committed to sustainable practices.
- Farm workers aiming to deepen their understanding of environmental impacts.
- Environmental consultants and professionals looking to enhance their expertise in how farmers operate.
- Anyone interested in preserving New Zealand's natural heritage.

This course covers:

- **Introduction to Our Environment:** Discover New Zealand's environmental journey, from Gondwana to modern-day Aotearoa. Gain insight into the evolution of flora and fauna, the geological forces shaping the land - such as glacial and volcanic activity - and the development of native forests. Understand how Polynesian and European settlements transformed the environment over time.
- **The Impacts of Farming:** Examine the environmental effects of grazing, nutrient runoff, livestock access to waterways, winter cropping, and hill country farming and get to understand the challenges posed by activities such as forestry operations, stockyard runoff, and fertiliser or agrichemical use.
- **Sustainable Farming Strategies:** Reflect on the environmental impacts of farming practices and explore ways to reduce their impact while safeguarding our environment.

By the end of this course, you will have a comprehensive understanding of New Zealand's environmental heritage and the tools to engage in responsible land management. Together, we can ensure a thriving environment for future generations.