

Guidelines

CENTRAL WEST LOCAL LAND SERVICES

Resilient communities small grants

Project scope

Central West Local Land Services resilient communities program aims to empower local communities to bounce back and adapt to impacts of adverse conditions.

The project will be rolled out in one phase with grants between \$1000-5000 available to be delivered under one of the below funding opportunities:

- Community grants
- Pest animal grants

Projects will be of a competitive nature and encourage partnerships and ways to demonstrate innovation.

Pest animal projects will be required to be developed and delivered collaboratively. Individual applications will NOT be accepted.

Project priorities

Improve community resilience with a focus on:

- Improving soil health
- Supporting and protecting native vegetation and terrestrial habitat
- Protecting and rehabilitating aquatic ecosystems
- Protecting or preserving Cultural Heritage values
- Maintaining or improving native plants or animal species
- Prevent spread and impact of pest animals collaboratively in line with actions of the [CWLLS Strategic Pest Animal Plan](#)

Project schedule

Activity/milestones	Project phase	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Applications open	11 January 2018							
Applications close	14 February 2018							
Assessment close	28 February 2018							
Applicants notified	5 March 2018							
Project completion	30 June 2018							

Funding

- Funding is provided by Catchment Action NSW with subsequent priorities aligned to 4 current themes
- Additional funds for pest animal projects are supported by the Pest Animal Levy
- Both community and pest animal grant are offered as follows:

Minimum \$1000

Maximum \$5000



Eligibility

In addition to alignment of outlined priorities, projects must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- ABN or agreement for auspice
- GPS Coordinates for on-ground works
- Admin costs no more than 10% of total grant
- Project within Central West LLS boundaries
- Any previous projects must be complete
- Have no outstanding debts with LLS
- Must be an Incorporated association (excluding pest animal funding)
- Public liability (min \$10mil)
- Projects must be completed by 30 June 2019

Assessment criteria

All project applications will be assessed on the following criteria:

Community grants

Value for money
Demonstrate a contribution to community resilience and the above listed project priorities
- Improved soil health
- Supporting and protecting native vegetation and terrestrial habitat
- Protecting and rehabilitating aquatic ecosystems
- Protecting and preserving Cultural Heritage values
- Maintaining or improving native plants or animal species
Clear project design and budget
Ability to report on outcomes of the project
Ability to monitor project – photo point monitoring
Area of influence or impact
Partnerships
Value of in-kind or leveraged investment

Pest animal grants

Value for money
Demonstrate a contribution to collaboratively reducing spread and impact of pest animal species:
- Preventing spread of pest animals
- Reducing impact of pest animals
- Demonstrate innovation and commitment to monitoring pest animal activity
- Develop and deliver projects with and for coordinated group management
- Demonstrate adoption of best practice pest animal management
Clear project design and budget
Ability to report on outcomes of the project
Ability to monitor project – photo point monitoring
Area of influence or impact
Collaboration with other community members or groups
Value of in-kind or leveraged investment

Ineligibility

The following are not eligible for project inclusion:

- Community - In stream works
- Pest animal - Individual projects
- Activities already funded
- Activities already delivered
- Activities for personal or private benefit
- Your organisation/group is subject to an Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC), Local Land Services (LLS), Department of Primary Industries (DPI) or other legal investigation
- Projects do not meet project priority requirements
- Applications do not meet eligibility criteria

Who can apply?

- Community groups
- Landcare groups
- Schools
- Local Aboriginal Land Councils (LALCs)
- Committees/Associations
- Not for profit organisations
- Industry/producer groups

How to apply?

Applications can be submitted [online](#).

Examples

Project examples include:

- Awareness raising events- such as involvement in festivals, public displays, static displays, development of educational resources/kits or online resources
- Workshops - such as tailored workshops for your group members, or public workshops inviting local community, this includes development of resources or kits that facilitate workshop activities
- Field based events- where activities will build local community knowledge in on ground activities and land management practices, this can include a examples such as: community tree planting events, farm visits or demonstration site visits, or project plan development where community is involved in planning activities open to the public or specific to your group
- School programs- that build students/school communities knowledge of relevant environmental, agricultural or cultural land, and emergency management issues
- Training events- where a training event is tailored/delivered to a community group to build relevant skills to local projects or initiatives - such as pest training for 1080/pindone use, chemical application training, weed ID and training, drone/app training, property planning etc
- Forming a new baiting group, or value adding to an existing group. Implementing innovate approaches to pest animal management.

For further information

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