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About

The Landcare NSW Natural Disaster Seed Fund aims to assist Landcare NSW Member groups in re-establishing projects that have been affected by drought and bushfires throughout 2019/2020.

Funding is for an initial 'prop-up' fund to help Landcare Member groups re-establish their projects in disaster affected areas.

Funding is available for on-ground works only and applicants must define the impact that the natural disaster has had on their site.

Grants of up to \$1,000 are available for region ('region' defined as per the NSW Landcare Program).

This fund is administered by Landcare NSW.

Applicants must contact Landcare NSW to discuss their projects.

Projects should be relevant to the ethos of the Landcare movement in NSW and directly benefit Landcare groups and their people and places.

Eligibility Criteria

Who is eligible to apply?

To be eligible to receive a Landcare NSW Natural Disaster Seed Fund (a Grant), each applicant must:

- Be a not-for-profit, incorporated Landcare NSW 2020 Member, and/or community group member with an ABN. You can complete a membership application form [here](#).
- Be located in an area that the NSW Government declared to be a state of natural disaster, that being drought, flood and/or fire.
- Have programs and projects that are directly related to the 2019/2020 drought and bushfires, and that aim to develop and complete existing Landcare projects within the Landcare NSW community.
- Be seeking funding for activities as detailed below.
- Projects should be relevant to the ethos of the Landcare movement in NSW and directly benefit Landcare groups and their people and places. Information [here](#)

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Who is not eligible to apply?

- Individuals.
- Non Landcare NSW-paying members.
- Applicants with outstanding acquittals or reporting from previous environmental grants from Landcare NSW partners including the Biodiversity Conservation Trust (BCT), Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (Saving our Species), NSW Environmental Trust, OzFish Unlimited.

What will the grant program support?

- The replacement, repair or re-establishment of on-ground works that have been directly affected by the 2019/2020 natural disasters, including, but not limited to:
 - Revegetation;
 - Animal habitats (including nest Boxes, hollows etc.);
 - Replacement of fencing for areas that were damaged for existing projects;
 - Riparian works to mitigate environmental impacts of bushfire/drought affected flooding;
 - Replacement of facilities and/or equipment which were lost or damaged by natural disasters during the period from 1 July 2019 to 31 January 2020.
- Please note that applicants must be able to identify how repair or replacement of the facilities and/or equipment is necessary for the benefit of the local Landcare community.

What will the grant program not support?

- Administrative and/or employment costs.
- New Projects not specifically related to projects damaged by natural disaster
- Funds to overcome lack of planning.
- Funds to supplement project income
- Projects whose losses are covered by insurance and consider that the loss will not likely be covered by insurance.
- Attendance at events or conferences that occur on a regular basis (e.g. annual, biennial, biannual etc.) for which you could have planned, or for which there are other funding programs available.
- Any projects that you may initiate (e.g. application to speak at a conference, residency for which you made an application, a good idea that may arise out of discussions).
- Costs to cover projects that may have been cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances.
- Any activity that does not have to happen immediately or works that will not exist if not actioned now.
- Projects which do not align with the [objectives and ethos of Landcare NSW](#).

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- An activity principally benefitting works that are not on-ground in an area not affected by drought or bushfire.
- Projects that will commence or be completed before funding is approved,
- Activities that are also funded by other programs administered by the Australian Government or other state and local government agencies,
- Marketing/promotion and/or publication of assets.
- Applicants planning to utilise the Grant for any political purposes.
- Ongoing core administration or infrastructure costs of the applicant organisation.
- Heritage activities such as conservation or signage at heritage buildings or sites.
- Collecting sites except ones whereby bushfire had directly destroyed the sites.
- Cost of events, travel or workshops
- Touring or educational projects from major urban centres to regional communities.
- Domestic and international travel costs.
- Competitions, prizes, awards or fundraising events.

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Proposals must demonstrate:

- Evidence of on-ground works being directly impacted by natural disaster.
- Identified benefits and outcomes for the continuation of the project.
- Evidence of consultation and support from the local Landcare or associated member group. This being that either the proposed works are approved in writing by Landcare groups authorised signatory and/or a letter of support.
- Evidence of the applicant's ability to manage the project in a timely and responsible manner.
- Evidence that the project is Landcare NSW aligned.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Step 1: After reading the Eligibility Criteria outlined above, determine if you are eligible and your project fulfills the requirement. Should you be unsure contact Landcare NSW to discuss your proposed request for funding and eligibility to apply.

Step 2: Please submit your application by 5pm June 31, completing all questions as instructed. You will receive a confirmation email upon submission of your application.

Step 4: Once the application process has been completed, each application will be reviewed for its eligibility. Recipients will be notified as to their success or not

Please note due to monetary amount that was collected in our fundraising effort there is a maximum allocation of \$1000 for each region.

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FUNDING TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. By submitting an application, the Applicant agrees to be bound by these terms and conditions. These terms and conditions are to be read in conjunction with the relevant grant guidelines before applications are submitted.
2. Applications must be submitted via the Landcare NSW.
3. Applications submitted after the closing time will not be considered.
4. Landcare NSW reserves the right to refuse any application.
5. Applications will be assessed against the eligibility and / or assessment criteria outlined in the grant guidelines.

Privacy

6. Information requested in the application form will only be used for reviewing, assessing and awarding grants. All information provided will be maintained according to the strict privacy laws under which Landcare NSW operates.

Funding

7. Project funding is provided on a one-off basis.
8. Project funding will not be released until the funding agreement (Letter of Offer) is accepted by the grant recipient.
9. Completion of the project, including activities and expenditure of funds, must be in accordance with the successful project application, unless otherwise agreed in writing by Landcare NSW.
10. Any funds not spent according to the project application budget, including unspent funds, must be returned to Landcare NSW. If a project is cancelled after the grant recipient receives payment, all remaining grant funds must be return to Landcare NSW.
11. Landcare NSW reserves the right to review projects, request further information and suspend any or all payments at any time.
12. Receipt of funding may have taxation implications, applicants should seek independent taxation and financial advice from a suitably qualified professional before submitting their application. Where applicable, GST payable on the Grant is to be remitted to the ATO by the recipient.

Reporting

13. Grant recipients must abide by reporting requirements as outlined in the grant guidelines and funding agreement (Letter of Offer). Reporting templates will be made available to the grant recipient and must be returned to Landcare NSW by the due dates specified
14. As part of the successful application grant recipients must submit high-resolution photos (minimum 1MB) and/or video footage of the project as part of their project reporting.
15. Prior to submitting photographs to Landcare NSW, grant recipients must obtain written permission of those photographed, or the parents and / or guardians of those children photographed.

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16. Upon request, grant recipients must provide receipts or other relevant evidence of where expenditure of grant money has been allocated.

17. Landcare NSW may follow up on the progress of the project after submission of the final report.

18. If grant recipients fail to submit reporting to Landcare NSW, any outstanding grant funds will be withheld and applications for future grant rounds will not be considered.

Promotion

19. All information about successful projects, including photos, maps, and videos may be used by Landcare NSW as part of promotions, including as part of feature projects on websites, media relations campaigns, publications, case studies and all social media.

20. Grant recipients must acknowledge the funding from the grant program on all published or promotional material arising from their project. Contact Landcare NSW for appropriate logos and wording

Safety

21. Grant recipients are responsible for the health and safety risks of the project and must take all reasonable steps to ensure a safe and secure project site, without risks to health and safety.

22. Grant recipients must comply, and use reasonable endeavours to ensure that any subcontractors comply, with the provisions of all relevant statutes, regulations, by-laws and requirements of any applicable Commonwealth, state, territory or local authority including those arising under the laws in respect of Work Health and Safety.

Release

23. Unless specified otherwise, grant recipients are responsible for ensuring any required planning approvals, licences, consents and permits are in place prior to project commencement.

24. Landcare NSW is not liable for the payment of any tax or any other obligations incurred by the successful applicant as a result of accepting the Grant. The successful applicant must seek appropriate financial advice prior to accepting the

Grant.

25. The grant recipient must keep and maintain adequate insurance (including public liability insurance) for the activities carried out in relation to this program, or projects funded by this program, against any claims for loss or damage to property and/or injury or death to persons.

28. In accepting a Grant, the successful applicant agrees to waive, release and discharge Landcare NSW, its officers, associates and partner organisations from any and all liability, including but not limited to any liability arising from the negligence or fault of the entities or persons released for death, disability, personal injury, property damage, property theft, or actions of any kind that may occur as part of the Grant, including during or after any travel is taken as part of the grant

CONTACT DETAILS

For any further queries about eligibility, deadlines, or questions about the Landcare NSW Natural Disaster Seed Fund form please contact us by phone at 02 8339 4816 via email on fundraising@landcarensw.org.au