

Application Form

Application to conduct a Human Induced Regeneration carbon farming project on a pastoral lease in South Australia

Information supplied in this form will be used to support the application of those seeking to undertake a Human Induced Regeneration carbon project on a pastoral lease as defined by the *Pastoral Land Management and Conservation Act 1989* (Pastoral Act).

This form will be used for the following purposes:

- Assessment under the Pastoral Act, and administering any approvals required by the Pastoral Board and/or Minister for the Pastoral Act
- Seeking the Eligible Interest Holder consent of the Minister responsible for administration of the *Crown Land Management Act 2009*, as required under the Australian Government's *Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) Act 2011* (CFI Act).
- A fee of \$546 will be payable per lease for an application for a change of pastoral land use. A fee invoice will be issued on receipt of application.

Pre-application checklist

Before completing this application form, you must have undertaken the following actions, as applicable:

1. Register your Human Induced Regeneration carbon farming project with the Clean Energy Regulator. More information is available via the [Emission Reduction Fund](#). The carbon farming project must have a nominated permanence period of 25 years.
2. You must ensure that the existing pastoral lease term, where the Human Induced Regeneration carbon project will be located, is greater than 25 years. This will ensure all project obligations under the Emissions Reduction Fund will be covered by the lease term, including the permanence period which starts after the first Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCUs) are issued by the Clean Energy Regulator.
3. Consult with other parties who may be impacted by the operation of the carbon project.
4. The applicant should note that the Minister responsible for administration of the *Crown Land Management Act 2009* will require the participant, tenure holder and carbon service provide (if relevant) to enter into a Deed of Indemnity relating to the project prior to providing eligible interest holder consent.



Application details

Name of applicant			
Applicant role (lessee, third-party proponent and/or project developer)			
Are you a sub-lessee, with sub-lease consent under the Pastoral Act?			
ABN (if the applicant is a company)			
Pastoral lessee name (if different to applicant)			
Pastoral lease name			
Pastoral lease volume and folio number. One application per lease is required			
Pastoral enterprise type (sheep meat, sheep meat and wool, or cattle)			
Application contact person			
Address			
Suburb or town		Postcode	
Phone			
Email			

1. Project description

Please provide a detailed overview of your project. The information should include grazing and lease management strategies that will be employed to store additional carbon in native vegetation, including any other expected co-benefits for native vegetation and biodiversity. The information should clearly outline what changes will be required, if any, to your pastoral operation to accommodate the project.

Please refer to the [Pastoral Board Guideline](#) for information that is considered by the Pastoral Board when determining an application for a non-pastoral purpose. Please give as much detail as possible. If you have any questions, please contact DEW by email: DEW.Pastoral@sa.gov.au

1.1. Project location

Please provide a map of the lease:

- show the project area, carbon estimation areas and excluded areas
- highlight the areas of the lease that are currently grazed
- mark the location of waterpoints and fencing.

This map should be referenced when providing information about stock management and infrastructure in the sections below to provide additional context about your proposal.

1.2. Human Induced Regeneration activities

Please select which activities have been nominated in the Human Induced Regeneration carbon farming project, as outlined in your Emissions Reduction Fund registration application to the Clean Energy Regulator.

Excluding livestock and taking reasonable steps to keep livestock excluded

Managing the timing and extent of grazing

Managing feral animals in a humane manner

Managing plants that are not native to the project area

Permanent cessation of mechanical or chemical destruction or suppression of native regrowth

1.3. Stock Management

To determine whether the project is an ancillary activity or a change of land use under the Pastoral Act, please provide your proposed stock management plan. Please refer to your project map as required to provide additional context to the information below.

The plan should include specific information on:

- your current stock maximum
- numbers of stock run over the preceding 10 years before registering the project under the Emissions Reduction Fund
- changes to the type of stocking operation on the lease before and after the carbon project is operational (breeding to market, bred and then fattened elsewhere off lease, etc.)
- proposed changes to the locations of grazing and the stocking rates across the lease, including any areas where stock will be excluded and for how long, over the life of the carbon project
- changes to the timing of stock movements on and off the lease over the life of the carbon project
- the intended use for the land after the end of the carbon project

1.4. Infrastructure

Please outline what infrastructure (water points and fencing) is in place to deliver the Human Induced Regeneration activities. Refer to locations on your property map as required.

Please answer these questions in your response:

- Does the project involve developing new pastoral infrastructure?
- Does the project involve removing any existing pastoral infrastructure?
- Will any waterpoints be excluded from stock? If yes, for how long and where are these located on the lease?
- Will there be any exclusion fencing built to keep stock out of areas for carbon sequestration? If yes, for how long and over what area of the lease?
- Is there any other relevant information?

1.5. Other interests and access

This section focuses on how you have considered existing interests in planning the carbon farming project. Please answer these questions:

- Is there a sublease in place, or other existing contractual arrangements, that may be impacted because of the carbon farming project? If yes, please provide details.
- Are there any Aboriginal Heritage sites located on the lease and if so, what will be the impact to them from the carbon farming project?
- Will the project impact the ability of Aboriginal people to access any portion of the lease? If yes, please provide details.
- Have you entered any contracts, other than with the Clean Energy Regulator, regarding the carbon farming project? If yes, please provide details and a copy of the contract.
- Will the project impact on other approved land uses or activities under the Pastoral Act or another Act? If yes, please provide details.

1.6. Risk management

Please outline all the key risks to the carbon project and how will they be addressed. Key risks include feral control, fire, drought, etc.

Please outline any off-lease impacts to your neighbours. Include in your response, any details regarding discussions with your neighbours and the outcome of those discussions.

1.7. Additional information to support your application

If there is any other information that is of relevance, please provide details.

2. Eligible interest holder consents

Please provide details of other eligible interest holder consents required under the *Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) Act 2011* (Cth) and the progress in obtaining those consents. We recommend you engage all relevant eligible interest holders as early in the project as possible. In relation to seeking relevant registered native title bodies consent, we recommend you read the Clean Energy Regulator's [Native title, legal right and eligible interest holder consent guidance](#).

3. Mining lease or petroleum considerations

Please provide details of any exclusions or agreements with the holders of any granted or pending mining leases or petroleum production, geothermal, gas storage and pipeline license or tenements/areas.

To check or identify the location of individual mineral or petroleum tenements, you should use [SARIG](#). You can zoom into specific locations, select map layers and download all relevant information on the tenement.

As part of the Emission Reduction Fund's eligible interest holder consent process, the Department of Energy and Mining will be notified that a carbon farming application seeking approval has been submitted and will be provided details regarding the location and proponent making the application.

4. Third party details

If the project involves a third party to deliver or manage the project, please:

- describe their role
- provide all relevant contact details
- attach a copy of the contract or agreement (this is evidence of their legal right to carry out the project on the whole area for the whole time of the project, including any permanence period).

5. Attachment checklist

Copy of the application to the Clean Energy Regulator to register the project under the Emissions Reduction Fund and a copy of the Declaration of an Emissions Reduction Fund project.

Detailed map of the intended area of land used for the project, showing the carbon estimation areas and excluded areas. Please provide coordinate information for all planned infrastructure being developed as part of the project.

Evidence of all other eligible interest-holder consents required by the participant under the Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) Act 2011 (CFI Act) and your progress in obtaining them.

Stock Management Plan.

In relation to any mining leases or petroleum, geothermal and gas storage production license or tenements/areas, evidence that you have either:

- excluded these areas from the project area land as outlined in your property map, or
- reached an agreement with the holders of any granted or pending leases. Please provide written evidence.

Provide any maps or mining overlays showing any pending or existing mining tenements.

If you are not the pastoral lessee, include a copy of the contract with the lessees related to the project's operation.

Completed Eligible Interest Holder Consent form (required under the Emission Reduction Fund)

6. Terms and conditions

I/We warrant that the information provided in this application is true and correct in every particular.

I/We acknowledge that this application, including any attachments and supporting documents, once submitted to the Department for Environment and Water, will be subject to the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* (SA), and could, subject to the provisions of that Act, be made public if a request is made under that Act.

I/We authorise the Minister, acting through the Department for Environment and Water, to disclose any information or supporting documents in this application to the Commonwealth of Australia, to any other agency of the South Australian Government, or to any agency of any other state, for the purpose of or in connection with the state or Commonwealth consent process under the *Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) Act 2011* (Cth).

By signing below you agree to the Terms and Conditions outlined above. You can use a digital signature or a signature image.

If you are a company, the form must be signed by a director and company secretary or two directors, as per the *Corporations Act 2001*. Sole directors can sign in their own right. Please include the signature and title in the space provided and attach additional pages if necessary

Lessee name

Lessee signature

If required: Additional
director or secretary name

Additional director
or secretary title

Additional director or
secretary signature

Project proponent name
(if different from the lessee)

Additional director or
secretary signature

If required: Additional
director or secretary name

Additional director
or secretary title

Additional director or
secretary signature

Date

7. Submitting this application

Send this application with supporting documents to the Department for Environment and Water.

Email

Post

Pastoral Board SA c/- DEW
GPO Box 1047
Adelaide SA 5001

More information

To discuss the application form Contact DEW: DEW.Pastoral@sa.gov.au

To discuss your Eligible Interest Holder application contact the Department for Environment and Water on email: climatechange@sa.gov.au

Post-application checklist

Once you have completed your application, please ensure you have included the following:

Ensure your application has addressed the application criteria as outlined in the [Pastoral board guideline – use of land for non-pastoral purposes?](#)

Ensure your application provided the details of all [eligible interest-holder consents](#) required under the CFI Act and the progress in obtaining those consents? This will include but is not limited to Registered Native Title Holders and other registered entities on the lease agreement.

(The Pastoral Board may also be required to notify or seek consent from the relevant native title group and comply with any relevant ILUA).

Ensure you have either excluded from the project land area or reached an agreement with the holders of any existing or pending mining leases, or petroleum, geothermal, gas storage production licenses tenements/areas. For assistance in contacting mining tenement lease holders, please contact the Department for Energy and Mining.

Include whether the pastoral lease is subject to compliance action under the PLMC Act, the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019*, or the *Native Vegetation Act 1991*?

Ensure this application form includes the signature of the lessee and project proponent (if different to lessee)

Have you attached all documentation associated with the project, including information requested in this application, the application to the Clean Energy Regulator and any contracts with third parties associated with project management/delivery?
