

# Narrow-leaved Mallee On-ground Works Funding

## 2025-26 Guidelines for applicants

The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board is pleased to offer funding to assist with on-ground works projects. The current round of funding targets projects that benefit Kangaroo Island Narrow-leaved Mallee Woodland & threatened plants. Funding is limited and projects will be prioritised based on outcomes. Eligible projects include:

### Fencing

- **fencing remnant native vegetation** in patches, shelterbelts and along watercourses to provide protection from livestock.
- **fencing to protect native revegetation** from livestock and native browsers.
- **fencing to support ecological restoration** of old and/or deteriorating native vegetation.

### Revegetation

- **planting native trees and shrubs** to restore natural habitats, create vegetation corridors or help conserve threatened species.

Applications open on **4 August 2025** and close at 5pm on **31 August 2025**.

**This project is funded by the Australian Government Natural Heritage Trust and delivered by the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board, a member of the Commonwealth Regional Delivery Partners panel**



# Fencing remnant native vegetation

## Guidelines

- Canopy width of vegetation to be fenced should average at least 30 metres.
- Narrow shelterbelts or areas containing threatened species may be assessed individually.
- If fencing a creek line, both sides of the creek need to be protected, either by an existing fence or a new fence.
- Fence designs must be stock-proof (see Minimum Fencing Standards below) and be maintained in that condition for a minimum of 10 years.
- Fences should be placed 5 metres from the edge of vegetation to reduce maintenance needs and damage from falling tree branches etc.
- Fences that protect vegetation along property boundaries will be assessed individually (boundary fencing or fencing for the sole purpose of stock management is not eligible for funding).
- It is the landowner's responsibility to insure these fences.

## Funding available

Fencing of remnant native vegetation in patches, shelterbelts and along watercourses:

- \$2,700 per km for plain wire
- \$3,700 per km for stock proof
- \$5,200 per km for exclusion

Fencing of vegetation along property boundaries:

- 10 m setback from boundary - 30% of fencing funding (according to fencing type above)
- 20 m setback from boundary - 70% of fencing funding (according to fencing type above)
- 30 m setback from boundary - 100% of fencing funding (according to fencing type above)

(Conditions apply - refer to *Minimum Fencing Standards* below.)

# Revegetation (planting native trees and shrubs)

Funding is available for native tubestock. Tubestock can be purchased from the KI Native Plant Nursery or other local suppliers. You can also choose to collect your own seed and grow your own plants.

## Guidelines

- For biosecurity and provenance reasons, all tubestock and seed must be sourced from local native species and tubestock must be grown on Kangaroo Island.
- A mixture of species and plant heights (trees, shrubs and groundcovers) should be planted. Advice can be obtained from the KI Native Plant Nursery Manager.
- We encourage applicants to replicate what was originally on the site.
- A weed control program must be implemented to minimize competition from weeds and remnant pasture.
- Protecting plants from livestock and native browsers is essential. Funding is available for tree guards and fencing.
- Fenced areas should be a minimum width of 30 metres, with planting areas a minimum of 20 metres in width.
- A minimum of 800 plants per hectare is required.

## Funding available

Revegetation:

- Tubestock - \$2.20 per tube

Protection of plantings with guards:

- Green corflute guard + 1 stake - \$2.00 per unit
- Black mesh guard + 2 stakes - \$5.00 per unit

Revegetation fencing (Kangaroo Island native plants only):

- \$2,700 to \$5,200 per km depending on fence type

(Conditions apply - refer to *Minimum Fencing Standards* below.)

# Minimum fencing specifications (for both remnant vegetation and revegetation)

## Plain wire fencing

- minimum of 7 plain wires
- maximum of 20 metre spaces between posts
- minimum of 3 wire spacers between posts

## Stock proof fencing

- 7/90/30 stocklock (or equivalent)
- maximum 10 metre spaces between posts
- minimum of 1 plain top wire

## Exclusion fencing

- 11/90/15 stocksafe-T with apron (or equivalent)
- maximum 10 metre spaces between posts
- minimum of 1 plain top wire

Fencing specifications can be varied. Please discuss individual requirements with the Project Officer.

Purpose	Minimum fence specification				Funding per km
Vegetation protection & Revegetation	Plain wire	7x plain wire	3x wire spacers	Creo or CCA posts @ 20m	\$ 2,700
	Stock proof	7/90/30	1x plain top wire	Creo or CCA posts @ 10m	\$ 3,700
	Exclusion	11/90/15 w. apron	1x plain top wire	Creo or CCA posts @ 10m	\$ 5,200
	Revegetation enclosure	15/150/15 w. apron	Floppy top netting	Metal star posts @ 7m	Discuss with Project Officer
Roadside or boundary vegetation	>10m in from boundary	Stock proof or Exclusion fencing specifications as above			30% of funding as above
	>20m in from boundary				70% of funding as above
	>30m in from boundary				100% of funding as above

Funding is for NEW fencing materials only.

# Funding conditions

On-ground Works funding is allocated based on a fixed-rate co-contribution model, and does not cover the full costs associated with constructing fencing or establishing revegetation. All funds are distributed at the discretion of the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board. Funding is limited and will be awarded to projects on a competitive basis. Applications are evaluated against standard eligibility and assessment criteria. Eligibility and funding depend on whether the works have largely on-site benefits to the landholder or benefits to the environment. Grant funding may vary from that set out.

Payment for approved funding is conditional on:

- completion of works by the date specified
- final site inspection made by the Project Officer
- submission of a complying tax invoice
- return of a signed land management agreement
- landholder commitment to insure and maintain fences/revegetation areas for at least 10 years

Once approved for funding, all works will need to be completed by:

- fencing: **29 May 2026**
- revegetation: **31 July 2026**

# Applying for funding

Applications must be submitted via **SmartyGrants** online. See link:

[https://landscape.smartygrants.com.au/OGW\\_2025-26](https://landscape.smartygrants.com.au/OGW_2025-26)

All grant funding will be managed through this system. If you require assistance with lodging an application online please contact the Narrow-leaved Mallee Project Officer on 8553 2476 during business hours or email: [kym.lashmar@sa.gov.au](mailto:kym.lashmar@sa.gov.au)

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# Project evaluation

Projects will be evaluated against a set of pre-determined criteria by an assessment panel comprised of Kangaroo Island Landscape Board staff. A site assessment will also be conducted as part of the assessment process. The Narrow-leaved Mallee Project Officer will contact applicants to organise this assessment.

Successful applicants will be notified at the earliest convenience following final approval by the Landscape Board. Unsuccessful applicants will be notified by letter. Successful applicants will be sent a formal offer of funding outlining the details of their project and value of the funding offer. This offer must be accepted and signed by both parties before the commencement of any work.

**For further information contact:**

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