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Limestone Coast Landscape Board (LC Landscape Board) structure and functions

A description of the structure and functions of the LC Landscape Board and its subcommittees in providing information and recommendations to support the LC Landscape Board's decision-making can be found on the website at <https://landscape.sa.gov.au/lc/home> under the heading "Our Board".

Ways in which the functions of the board affect members of the public

The LC Landscape Board was established on 9 January 2020 and is responsible for the natural resources of an area that covers approximately 28,000 square kilometres, bound by the Victorian border to the east, the Southern Ocean to the south and the Coorong to the west.

The LC Landscape Board is a group of community, state and local government members who make decisions about regional investment in landscape management, with income derived from landscape levies, in conjunction with the Regional Landscape Plan.

The Regional Landscape Plan is developed in consultation with the community to develop a 5-year strategic plan, with five strategic priorities to support the management of landscapes with the Limestone Coast region. This plan and its priorities is consistent with the State Landscape Strategy and is focused on the fundamental principles of the *Landscape South Australia Act 2019* – water, sustainable agriculture, and control of pest plants and animals.

Public participation

The LC Landscape Board can only achieve its goals by working in partnerships with industry groups, schools, community groups and volunteers. Partnerships extend the benefits of our investment and empower our community to contribute to the sustainability of the region's natural resources. The Grassroots Grant program enables volunteers and not-for-profit organisations to enhance their role in managing natural resources, and is administered by the LC Landscape Board for on-ground projects in the Limestone Coast.

The LC Landscape Board undertakes genuine community consultation and develops key partnerships to ensure the values and concerns of the community are reflected in planning and program delivery.

Documents held by the LC Landscape Board

The documents held by the LC Landscape Board broadly include:

- tender and contract information
- policy documents and procedure manuals
- research reports and publications
- brochures, fact sheets, newsletters, photos and posters.

The listing of these documents does not necessarily mean all documents are accessible under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*.

LC Landscape Board policy documents

The LC Landscape Board is committed to undertaking extensive public consultation prior to formulation of any major policies relating to the LC Landscape Board's functions. Any LC Landscape Board policy may be viewed by contacting the LC Landscape Board's offices.

Freedom of Information applications

Freedom of Information applications and enquiries for access to documents in the possession of the board, and applications for amendment to personal records under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*, should be addressed to:

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