

Property Management Program



Property Management Planning and On-Ground Works Grant

Participants for 2022/2023

Expression of Interest Form and Guidelines

EOI form and guidelines for farming businesses applying to participate in the Property Management Program within the Southern Flinders region in South Australia.

This project is supported by the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board, through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Program



Send Expression of Interest to:

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Expression of Interest received by email no later than **5pm, Friday, 29 July 2022**

Program description

The Northern and Yorke Landscape Board's Living Flinders program, through funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Program, is providing the opportunity for landowners to be part of a unique property management program where an Property Management Plan [Plan] is created for your individual property. On completion of the Plan and grant will be offered to deliver on-ground works derived from the Plan to improve Landscape function.

What is a Property Management Plan?

A process...

The Plan process is focused on providing best practice grazing and environmental management advice to land managers. Pastoral property managers work closely with specialist property planning facilitators to develop a shared understanding of the dynamics of their landscape, and provide a different perspective on how the landscape functions.

...and a plan!

A core Plan activity is the development of a property management plan (hard copy and/or electronic formats), including maps and diagrams, that integrate the production elements of the business with resource sustainability and nature conservation. The plan outlines the manager's goals for the property and business, describes and analyses key property and business resources, identifies the important issues to be addressed and provides an **action plan** the manager can take to reach their goals.

The content of a Plan is flexible depending on the individual needs/interests of each property but can include consideration of:


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| • landscape and condition | • landscape function |
| • climate | • infrastructure (fencing, water, stock handling) |
| • livestock enterprises | • weed management |
| • other enterprises | • feral herbivore and predator status and management |
| • grazing management | • monitoring and reporting systems. |
| • land rehabilitation and rehydration | |

What are the on-ground works?

Examples of on-ground works highlighted in the plans from the action list implemented previously include changes to grazing management systems, construction of earthworks and other structures to combat erosion and restore landscape function and relocation and/or development of new fences and watering points.

We are seeking Expressions of Interest for people looking to:

- Improve grazing enterprise productivity;
- Enhance the condition of the property's natural resources;
- Support the management of biodiversity;
- Demonstrate good natural resource management practices to external parties;
- Provide a quality tool to attract funding from a range of sources; and
- Assist the identification of diversification opportunities best suited to the land's capability and the land manager's value (e.g. irrigation, carbon, biodiversity, tourism, recreation, cultural).



"Doing the program has helped highlight the importance to manage the landscape better so that the next generation can have a viable property"
Pastoral manager

At the end of the planning process successful participants will have:

- A vision for the future of their business;
- Detailed property mapping and diagrams;
- An action plan to use and adapt for future business and property planning; and
- The completion of funded on-ground works, derived from the action plan.

It is essential that the applicant understands the time commitments. Every effort will be made to be accommodating but undertaking the Property Management Planning process means that the workshops detailed below are compulsory, and all directly involved parties in the business are required to attend (i.e. both husband and wife, business partners and other relevant family members, where applicable)

- A mapping exercise to map and document the land managers' own knowledge of the entire area
- On-ground and aerial surveys of priority areas identified through the mapping exercise
- Further mapping to record discussed interventions and plan out future infrastructure developments
- Develop a plan that summarises the discussions and mapping, and lays out the strategies for the area
- Develop a poster summarising the on-ground activities identified in the plan

There are limited positions available over with applications being welcomed on a per-property basis. Family groups, business partners, and husband-and-wife teams are strongly encouraged to apply.

Key dates for the 2022/2023 intake are as follows:

- 1 June 2022 – Expressions of Interest open
- 29 July 2022 – Expressions of Interest close
- Early August 2022 – Selection of participants
- Completion of Property Management Plan October/November 2022
- Completion of on-ground works April 2023

Applicant requirements:

Eligibility

- Applications are invited from individuals who are currently land managers/owners of a pastoral enterprise within the southern Flinders and with approximate property size >2000 ha; and
- Must obtain the majority (>50%) of total income from the pastoral grazing enterprise (based on average year).
- Entering into a 10 year Land Management Agreement prior to the commencement of the plan
- Enter into an agreement to carry out the on-ground works.

Monitoring and evaluation of plan

- If successful, you will be required to provide feedback on the outcomes of the project. This information will help the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board assess the project's success and improve future programs. Information will be captured in a pre and post program survey.

Outcome

- On completion of the plan, further funding is available to deliver all or part of an identified issue to improve landscape management.

Lodging an Expression of Interest

If you would like to be considered for the program, please complete the Expression of Interest (EOI) in this document. Expressions of Interest will be considered if they are received by **5pm on 29 July 2022**. You will receive an acknowledgement to confirm your EOI has been received.

Assessment process

Your EOI will be assessed against the eligibility criteria and the responses you provide. You will be advised if your EOI is successful. The assessments will be carried out in Early August 2022.

Unsuccessful applicants

You will be notified if your EOI is unsuccessful. You may seek additional advice or feedback from the Landscape Officer.

APPLICATION: 2022/2023 Property Management Plan [Plan]

Applicant details

Name		ABN	
Email			
Property/s Name		Property size (ha)	
Property Address			
Mailing / Postal Address			
Contact Numbers			

1. Why does the Property Management Planning program appeal to you and how could it benefit your business?

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2. Describe your pastoral business

For example:

- Summary of enterprises
- Who will be taking part in the PMP process, and their role/s within the business
- Scale of business, for example: number of properties, approximate number of staff, other related businesses (i.e. feedlot or farm elsewhere)

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3. **Have you diversified or adapted your pastoral grazing business in any way? Have you implemented any new technologies? Please detail.**

4. **Are there any particular areas of interest you hope to explore during this program?**

Signature of applicant: _____

Date: / /