APPLICATION GUIDELINES – ROUND 1

On-Farm Carbon Storage Grants



Purpose

The *On-Farm Carbon Storage Grants* will assist primary producers in the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board (NYLB) region, to undertake projects to store more carbon in vegetation or soils.

Revegetation packs or improved grazing management grants are available. **Each business can only apply for one of these grants**. If an applicant is unsuccessful in applying for an improved grazing management grant, they may apply for a revegetation pack.

Funding

The maximum funding (GST exclusive) available to primary producers is dependent on grant type as outlined below.

Revegetation Packs

- Valued at \$1000.
- Each successful grantee will receive one pack of approximately 200 native plants, stakes and tree guards suitable to revegetate 0.5 hectares. Packs are designed to be suitable for use as a shelterbelt (grazeable once established).
- Landholders must cover all other costs to establish the plants.
- Revegetation packs are available on a first come first served basis.
- Applicants can select to complete their activity in autumn 2026 or 2027. If the funding available
 for the selected year has been exhausted, applicants will be offered the option to complete
 their works in a different year, if available.

Improved grazing management grants

- \$5 per hectare improved up to a maximum of \$5000
- Fencing and/or water infrastructure to enable stock to be rotated through an increased number of paddocks to improve pastures.
- Grants are available on a first come first served basis.





Applicants can select to complete their activity in the 2025-2026, 2026-2027 or 2027-2028
financial year. If the funding available for the selected year has been exhausted, applicants will
be offered the option to complete their works in a different financial year, if available.

Carbon Farming Workshops

Carbon farming workshops are being delivered by the NYLB across the region.

To be eligible for the grant, primary producers must have either attended:

- a carbon farming workshop delivered by the NYLB in 2024 or 2025; and/or
- the Carbon Ready Ag Conference at Port Pirie on 27 August 2025.

For all upcoming workshops, please visit our Sustainable Ag Update.

To express interest for a workshop to be delivered in your region, complete this form.

Eligibility Criteria

Who is eligible for the grants?

This is a targeted call to primary producers that:

- have attended a carbon farming workshop delivered by the NYLB, or the Carbon Ready Ag Conference.
- hold a current Australian Business Number (ABN).
- hold a minimum of \$1,000,000 in public liability insurance cover. It is the primary producer's responsibility to assess and consider the risks and ensure adequate insurance is in place.
- own or manage a primary production enterprise within and undertake their project in the <u>NYLB</u> region and must be capable of entering into a grant agreement with NYLB. No work shall commence until the grant agreement has been signed by all parties.
- receive the majority (>50%) of total income from primary production under normal seasonal circumstances.
- have not received funding from other Commonwealth and/or State Government programs for the grant activities.

Only one grant will be offered per applicant. An applicant is deemed to be one primary production business.

The maximum funding available will be dependent on grant type. See 'Funding'.

Eligible Activities

Revegetation packs

 One pack of approximately 200 native plants, with stakes and tree guards to plant across 0.5 hectares.

Improved grazing management grants

- Internal fencing wire, posts, gates
- Water infrastructure troughs and associated pipes, tanks, valves.





Ineligible Activities

Activities and expenses not eligible for grant funding include (but are not limited to):

- wages for employees and self-assessed labour
- vehicles or associated travel costs
- overheads utilities/operating costs of the business e.g. gas, electricity, rates, administration and insurance costs
- purchase and movement of livestock e.g. agistment and freight fees
- purchase and movement of feed and water
- standard variable inputs for normal operations e.g. water, grain, fertiliser, seed and fodder
- activities deemed to be standard maintenance e.g. replacing boundary fencing
- activities not ready for implementation
- replacing existing agricultural machinery and equipment
- retrospective reimbursements
- unlawful activities, including but not limited to <u>Water Affecting Activities</u> (e.g. dam works)
 without a permit. Applicants may apply for funding for a Water Affecting Activity which they do
 not currently hold a permit for. However, a permit mut be obtained prior to any works
 commencing.

Application and Assessment Process

When can I apply?

Funding Round 1 opens on 27 August 2025 Funding Round 1 closes on **30 September 2025 11:59pm.** Note: applications must be submitted before the closing date.

What is the application process?

Steps		Revegetation packs	Improved grazing management grants
1	Attend a carbon farming workshop or Carbon Ready Ag conference	Attend a Carbon Farming Workshop or Carbon Ready Ag conference. Read 'Eligibility Criteria' above for more information	
2	Applications	Read the details on 'How to Apply?' below. Complete the <u>Application Form</u> and submit to NYLB via email <u>landscapesa.nygrants@sa.gov.au</u> . Applicants should consider using a delivery and read receipt on e-mail.	





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		Once submitted the applicant will receive an email confirmation that the application has been received within two business days. If confirmation is not received, contact Molly on 0456 538 224.		
	Assessment/Grant Agreement	Round One Applications close on 30 September 2025, or when all funding has been expended. Revegetation packs and improved grazing management grants are available on a first come first served basis.		
		Applicants will be notified of their grant outcome within 10 business days of submitting their application.		
3		Successful applicants will receive a <i>Grant Recipient Details and Acknowledgement and Acceptance of Offer</i> form which needs to be signed and returned to landscapesa.nygrants@sa.gov.au to accept the grant. A copy of the applicant's Certificate of Currency for their public liability insurance policy with a minimum level of cover no less than \$1,000,000, must accompany the signed form.		
			In addition, the Grant Recipient Details and Acknowledgement and Acceptance of Offer	
			form will enable a recipient created tax invoice (RCTI) to be generated on the applicant's behalf. Please allow 5 business days for the RCTI to be generated and submitted.	





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4	Undertake Project/ Payment	Revegetation packs will be provided in autumn of the year selected on the application form. All project activities must be complete and reported on by 30 June 2026 for applicants receiving packs in 2026, and 30 June 2027 for applicants receiving packs in 2027. If seasonal conditions are not conducive to planting prior to 30 June in the year received, extensions will be negotiated.	All project activities must be complete and reported on by 30 June in the financial year in which the applicant was approved for funding. Successful applicants for the 2025-2026 financial year will receive payment within 15 days of the RCTI being submitted. The RCTI will be generated within 5 business days of the completed and signed Grant Recipient Details and Acknowledgement and Acceptance of Offer form being emailed to landscapesa.nygrants@sa.gov.au. Successful applicants for the 2026-2027 financial year, will receive payment within 15 days of 1 July 2026, provided the completed and signed Grant Recipient Details and Acknowledgement and Acceptance of Offer form was emailed to landscapesa.nygrants@sa.gov.au prior to 30 June 2026. Successful applicants for the 2027-2028 financial year, will receive payment within 15 days of 1 July 2027, provided the completed and signed Grant Recipient Details and Acknowledgement and Acceptance of Offer form was emailed to landscapesa.nygrants@sa.gov.au prior to 30 June 2027. Any grant funding not used for the purposes set out in the grant agreement must be repaid by the applicant.	
	Project Acquittal	On project completion, the applicant must submit an Acquittal Form. The Acquittal Form is provided to successful applicants with the grant agreement.		
5		This includes: • submitting 3-4 pictures of the completed project		
•		 a short report detailing the success of the grant 		
			In addition, applicants must provide details of	
			how the grant funding has been expended (attach copies of receipts if needed).	

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Additional rounds may be made available, subject to funding. Further information will be made available at: https://www.landscape.sa.gov.au/ny/land-and-coast/sustainable-ag-update

You can sign up to receive updates to the Sustainable Ag Update via email.

How to Apply?

Fill out the Application Form (approx. 10 mins).

Submit the Application Form to landscapesa.nygrants@sa.gov.au.

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Further Information

For more information on the grants program, please contact:

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