



# Natural Resource Management Grants Summary

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<b>General</b>				
Opened 24 Feb 07 and closed 30 March 07	<b>Environmental Research Program</b> Environmental Trust (DEC)	<b>Local Govt.</b> State Govt. ROC's Universities Incorporated associations Comm. groups Limited companies Cooperatives		Tel: 8837 6093  <a href="http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/grants/research.htm">http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/grants/research.htm</a>
EOI's closed on 15 January 2007	<b>Forging Partnerships Program</b> (Natural Resources Advisory Council and NSW Govt)		<b>2006-07 Forging Partnerships program</b> This year, the 2006-07 Forging Partnerships program involves three types of grants:  Sponsorships for smaller projects such as events or workshops  Grants for medium to large partnership projects – up to \$60,000  Two flagship projects that aim to address high profile natural resource management issues through a partnership arrangement – up to \$200,000 each.  •	<a href="http://www.nrac.nsw.gov.au/projects.html">http://www.nrac.nsw.gov.au/projects.html</a>  Tel: 9228 6533
Funding for 2007 closed COB Friday 30 March 2007	<b>Urban sustainability Grants</b> Environmental Trust (DEC)	<b>Local Govt.</b>	\$80 million over five years for local government to work in partnership with business and the community to address priority urban environmental issues and harvest stormwater. No further details yet – see website.	Tel: 8837 6093  <a href="http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/education/ccerp.htm">http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/education/ccerp.htm</a>
Round 9 applications due 27 April 2007	<b>Envirofund</b> Natural Heritage Trust (Community Funding)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An incorporated association</li> <li>• A body corporate</li> </ul>	Funding up to \$50,000 for projects such as <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Native veg planting</li> <li>• Fencing and stock control</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.nht.gov.au/envirofund/index.html">www.nht.gov.au/envirofund/index.html</a>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A company</li> <li>• A trust</li> <li>• A partnership</li> <li>• An individual</li> </ul> <p>Unincorporated groups will need an incorporated "sponsor"</p> <p><b>Local Govt</b> can develop projects with eligible candidates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weed control on public land (if strong biodiversity conservation benefit)</li> <li>• Feral animal control to protect threatened species and ecological communities (within a TAP framework)</li> <li>• Awareness raising that leads directly to on-ground conservation benefits</li> <li>• Demonstrations/trials of new resource use methods (i.e. farming, fishing and forestry)</li> <li>• Monitoring of WQ, species, habitats etc. for clear biodiversity and NRM benefits</li> <li>• Education and training for NRM objectives</li> <li>• Building capacity to engage indigenous communities</li> <li>• Protecting indigenous cultural heritage if there is significant biodiversity conservation benefits</li> </ul>	
<p>Opens Saturday 24 February 2007- closes 5pm on Friday 4 May 07</p>	<p><b>Restoration and Rehabilitation Program</b></p> <p>Environmental Trust (DEC)</p>	<p><b>Local Govt.</b></p> <p>State Govt.</p> <p>ROC's</p> <p>Universities</p>	<p>Grants between \$5,000 and \$100,000 for projects that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• restore degraded environmental resources, including rare and endangered ecosystems</li> <li>• protect important ecosystems and habitats of rare and endangered flora and fauna</li> <li>• prevent or minimise future environmental damage</li> <li>• enhance the quality of specific environmental resources.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/grants/restoration.htm">http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/grants/restoration.htm</a></p>
<p>Round 2- a targeted round. Now being finalised</p>	<p><b>Tide to Table</b></p> <p>Ocean Watch Australia and National Landcare Program</p>	<p>Comm. Groups</p> <p>Local Govt.</p>	<p>Small projects to improve fish habitat and water quality primarily in the Sydney Metropolitan region. Extension in 2006 to Hunter Central Rivers CMA, Hawkesbury Nepean CMA and other coastal locations. Projects that address problems with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wetlands</li> <li>• Fish passage and water quality</li> <li>• River vegetation and in-stream structures</li> </ul>	<p>Tel: 9660 2262</p> <p>Tide to Table- program manager.</p>
<p>Round 3 not yet called for</p>	<p><b>The National Market Based Instruments</b></p>	<p>Anyone in a NAP</p>	<p>Selection Criteria</p>	<p><a href="http://napswq.gov.au/mb">http://napswq.gov.au/mb</a></p>

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(as of 10/4/07)	<p><b>Pilot Program</b></p> <p>National Action Plan for Salinity and Water Quality (NAP)</p>	<p>region, see <a href="http://napswq.gov.au/priority-regions.html">http://napswq.gov.au/priority-regions.html</a></p>	<p>(a) Address salinity, water quality and/or biodiversity issues and focus on NAP regions.</p> <p>(b) Address priority knowledge gaps in the design and application of MBIs revealed through the operation of Round 1, as identified in the Independent Evaluation Report and the Overview Report of the MBI Working Group;</p> <p>(c) Be conceptually robust – well-grounded in economic principles and supported by good quality biophysical information;</p> <p>(d) Engage relevant agents, such as regional groups, Catchment Management Authorities and landholders;</p> <p>(e) Involve partners with the experience, skills and knowledge necessary to undertake the project;</p> <p>(f) Incorporate appropriate strategies for evaluation; and</p> <p>(g) Learning should be relevant to all Australian jurisdictions</p>	<p><a href="http://www.cma.nsw.gov.au/i/round2/index.html">i/round2/index.html</a></p>
<p>Current round 2 April 2007</p> <p>Applications will close 5pm Friday 1 June 2007</p>	<p><b>Threatened Species Network (TSN) Community Grants</b></p> <p>Natural Heritage Trust (Community Funding) and WWF-Australia</p>	<p>Incorporated community-based organisations (unincorporated groups need State or Local Govt sponsorship)</p> <p><b>Local Govt</b> can develop projects with eligible candidates.</p>	<p>Funding up to \$50,000. Project work may include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enhancing, restoring or establishing key habitat</li> <li>• Mitigating threats where long-term maintenance is likely</li> <li>• Establishing population monitoring programs</li> <li>• Managing visitor access</li> <li>• Sign posting</li> <li>• Establishing conservation management agreements for key sites on private land</li> <li>• Propagating and planting threatened plant species</li> <li>• Managing for fire</li> <li>• Fencing or other management techniques to protect habitat</li> </ul> <p>Project applications must be discussed with state TSN Coordinator before being lodged.</p>	<p>Samantha Vine TSN Coordinator Phone: 02 8202 1222</p> <p><a href="mailto:tsnsw@wwf.org.au">tsnsw@wwf.org.au</a></p>
<p>Any time</p> <p>Proposals submitted to NSW Joint</p>	<p><b>State-wide Funding</b></p> <p>Natural Heritage Trust (National Funding)</p>	<p>CMA's</p> <p>NGO's</p> <p>State Agencies</p>	<p>Funding for projects has ranged between \$33,000 and \$290,000. Priority will be given to projects that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• are efficiently and effectively implemented at a state/territory level</li> </ul>	<p>Contact your Catchment Management Authority</p> <p><a href="http://www.cma.nsw.gov.au/">www.cma.nsw.gov.au/</a></p>

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Funding based on Investment Strategy and accredited, integrated NRM plan (Updated 10/4/07)	<b>Regional Competitive Component</b>  Natural Heritage Trust (Regional Funding) and NAP	CMA's only  All stakeholders are able to work with the CMA to direct investment	Around \$20 million nationally until 2007-08  Intended to support higher-cost, larger scale, multi-regional or cross-jurisdictional, multi-year projects, eg. bitou TAP implementation.  Projects should address one of the following priority areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• threatened species (individual species or collective)</li> <li>• coastal zone and the marine environment</li> <li>• Ramsar wetlands and their catchments</li> <li>• feral pests</li> <li>• sustainable production</li> <li>• Indigenous engagement.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.nht.gov.au/rcc">www.nht.gov.au/rcc</a>  Contact your Catchment Management Authority  <a href="http://www.cma.nsw.gov.au">www.cma.nsw.gov.au</a>
Investment strategy reviewed by CMA each year	<b>Regional Allocations</b>  (i.e. funding for Three Year Investment Strategy)  Natural Heritage Trust (Regional Funding) and NAP	CMA's only  All stakeholders are able to work with the CMA to direct investment	Funding for the implementation of Catchment Action Plans.  The 3YIS is "rolling" in that it is developed each year with 100% of the year 1 budget contracted to projects, 70% for year 2, and 50% for year 3. This round, however, the commonwealth has requested that the Sydney Metro CMA fully allocate year 2.  C'wealth funding matched by State Govt. in cash or in-kind.	Contact your Catchment Management Authority  <a href="http://www.cma.nsw.gov.au">www.cma.nsw.gov.au</a>
Funding for 2007/08 already allocated. No further rounds	<b>Strategic Reserve Component</b>  Natural Heritage Trust (Regional Funding)	All stakeholders are able to propose a project via CMA's	Individual projects should be around \$400,000. Annual budget allocated as a proportion of Regional Funding (05/06 budget likely to be around 15% or \$6 million).  Allocation process unclear, although it appears that CMA's develop proposals	Contact your Catchment Management Authority  <a href="http://www.cma.nsw.gov.au">www.cma.nsw.gov.au</a>

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of funding announced  Check website for further updates			for projects that are then selected by Commonwealth Govt. Projects may be approved if they <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meet State/C'wealth priorities that CMA's are unable to meet under standard funding</li> <li>• Address emergency priorities</li> <li>• Are high cost and big return ventures</li> </ul>	
<b>Adverse events</b>				
Feb 2007 – Currently receiving applications. Successful Grant Offers out by May 07	<b>Floodplain Management Program</b>  Dept of Nat Resources	<b>Local Govt.</b>	The State Government provides around \$8 million in funding to match Regional Flood Mitigation Program funding (also listed in this document) and through the State Assisted Flood program. The State Assisted flood program provides funding on a 2:1 (State: Local) basis for the development and implementation of floodplain risk management plans. Grants are annual on a financial year basis. This program is focussed on managing flood risk.	Harry Panagopoulos  Tel: 9895 5045
Next round expected to open Oct 2006 and close Feb 2007  Check website for next round	<b>Regional Flood Mitigation Program</b>  Dept. of Transport and Regional Services	<b>Local Govt</b>  State agencies  CMA's  River trusts  Comm. groups  <i>Inner metropolitan areas are not eligible for this funding</i>	A range of funding arrangements for cost sharing between Aust Govt, State Govt and proponents. Maximum share from Aust Govt is one third of project. Projects can include Flood modification measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• flood control dams</li> <li>• retarding basins</li> <li>• levees</li> <li>• bypass floodways</li> </ul> channel improvements Property modification measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• voluntary purchase</li> <li>• house raising</li> <li>• flood proofing buildings</li> <li>• flood access provisions</li> </ul> Response modification measures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• community awareness</li> </ul> flood warning systems	<a href="http://www.dotars.gov.au/regional/rfmp/guidelines/index.htm">http://www.dotars.gov.au/regional/rfmp/guidelines/index.htm</a>  Brian Dooley  Phone: 4224 9605  <b>brian.dooley@dipnr.nsw.gov.au</b>
Funding for 2007/2008	<b>Natural Disaster</b>	<b>Local Govt</b>	A range of funding arrangements for cost sharing between Aust Govt, State Govt and proponents. Maximum share from Aust Govt is one third of project.	<a href="http://www.dotars.gov.au/localgovt/naturaldisaste">http://www.dotars.gov.au/localgovt/naturaldisaste</a>

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Closed 23 Feb 2007	<b>Mitigation Program</b> Dept. of Transport and Regional Services	Indigenous Community Councils  Remote communities  State services	Projects can include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• natural disaster risk management studies;</li> <li>• disaster mitigation strategies;</li> <li>• investment in disaster resilient public infrastructure;</li> <li>• structural works to protect against damage;</li> <li>• disaster warning systems;</li> <li>• community awareness and readiness measures;</li> <li>• audits of levees and warning systems;</li> <li>• disaster and mitigation related research of public benefits;</li> <li>• development of nationally consistent data collection and analysis;</li> <li>• development of nationally consistent post-disaster evaluations;</li> <li>• Geographic Information Systems (GIS) based hazard and flood data for disaster mitigation purposes; and</li> <li>• land and building purchase schemes in high-risk areas.</li> </ul>	<a href="#">rs/index.aspx</a>  Andrew Fraser Phone: 8247 5911 Fax: 9252 9168 <a href="mailto:andrew.fraser@oes.nsw.gov.au">andrew.fraser@oes.nsw.gov.au</a>
Funding No longer available closed 2006/07 financial year	<b>Bushfire Mitigation Program</b> Dept. of Transport and Regional Services	Local Govt.  Indigenous community councils  Unincorporated remote communities;  State Government agencies, where that agency is the relevant responsible agency	Eligible projects may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• construction of a fire trail in an area identified as needing to be accessible for fire suppression and/or mitigation purposes;</li> <li>• maintenance of existing fire trails where there is a demonstrated need for access for fire suppression and/or mitigation purposes;</li> <li>• construction and maintenance activities may include upgrading the road surface and/or vehicle carrying capacity of existing trails, the restoration of damaged/degraded trails to a more utilisable condition, works on turn-out bays on fire trails and provision and upgrade of water points on trails; and</li> <li>• associated accessibility measures such as erection of signage to identify fire trails, mapping, access fencing and gates.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.dotars.gov.au/localgovt/bmp/index.aspx#3">http://www.dotars.gov.au/localgovt/bmp/index.aspx#3</a>  NSW Rural Fire Service  8741 5436
As needed	<b>Environmental Trust Emergency Pollution Clean-up Program</b>	Body conducting clean-up	Up to \$250,000 for emergency clean-up when unclear responsibility means immediate action unable to be taken and will lead to environmental damage. Grant must be repaid upon establishing responsibility.	Tel: 8837 6093  <a href="http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/grants/">http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/grants/</a>

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				cleanup.htm
<b>Energy conservation and greenhouse</b>				
Ongoing	<b>Alternative Fuels Conversion Program</b>  Aust Greenhouse Office	Local Govt  State Govt  Industry	<p>The AFCP provides grants of up to 50% of the eligible costs to vehicle owners to purchase LPG or NG vehicles or convert or upgrade existing vehicles.</p> <p>Eligible vehicles include buses or other commercial vehicles with a gross vehicle mass greater than 3.5 tonnes. They must operate on NG or LPG, or on a combination of either of these with conventional fuel. The AFCP provides funds of up to 50 per cent of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the difference between the purchase price of new NG or LPG fuelled vehicles and their conventionally fuelled equivalents; or</li> <li>• the cost of converting conventionally fuelled vehicles to operate fully or partly on NG or LPG; or</li> <li>• the cost of upgrading the fuel systems of vehicles already operating on NG or LPG.</li> </ul> <p>In all cases a minimum of 5% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions (principally CO<sub>2</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>4</sub>) needs to be demonstrated and the engine must continue to meet noxious emission limits under the relevant Australian Design Rule.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.greenhouse.gov.au/transport/afcp/index.html">http://www.greenhouse.gov.au/transport/afcp/index.html</a></p> <p>Tel: 6274 1888</p>
Round 3 will be advertised in early 2008 for 2008/09 financial year	<b>Climate Action Grant</b>  (NSW Greenhouse Office)	<b>Local Govt</b>  Private Sector Orgs  Businesses  Community Groups and non-profit orgs  Individuals	<p>Funding of up to \$250,000 for two project streams</p> <p>Technology Action Grants: projects that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Progress advances in greenhouse abatement technologies or technologies that assist adaptation to climate change impacts in NSW</li> <li>• Support the development of products, processes, practices and programs which minimise greenhouse emissions and assist adaptation to climate change impacts in the waste forestry agriculture industry processes or land use sectors</li> </ul> <p>Community Action Grants: projects that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase the capacity of NSW industry, business, government of community to reduce greenhouse emissions and adapt to the impacts of climate change in NSW</li> <li>• Support the development of products, processes, practices and programs</li> </ul>	<p>Amoi Salakas</p> <p>Tel: 8837 6093</p>

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			which minimise greenhouse emissions and assist adaptation to climate change impacts in the waste forestry agriculture industry processes or land use sectors. This can include education and awareness training adaptation planning and implementation of tools	
Closed Nov 06  2007 successful applicants announced 1/3/07	<b>Energy Saving Fund</b>  (DEUS)	Businesses, Local Govt, Govt agencies, organisations or  community groups	Preference will be given to projects which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• have a high degree of certainty in delivering savings</li> <li>• are repeatable and/or will lead to sustained changes in energy consumption behaviours and</li> <li>• investment choices, without additional expenditures by the Fund</li> <li>• commit to provision of additional funds and other forms of collaboration</li> <li>• lead to benefits in addition to saving energy, including water savings</li> <li>• coordinate with and complement, rather than duplicate, other programs and policies</li> <li>• demonstrate or trial innovative new technologies or practices.</li> </ul>	fundsmanager@deus.nsw.gov.au  Tel: 8281 7417
<b>Environmental Education</b>				
Applications close Friday 27 April 2007	<b>Eco-Schools Program</b>  Environmental Trust (DEC)	Schools	Approximately 60 grants of \$2,500 each for initiatives that may include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• conservation of natural resources</li> <li>• environmental monitoring programs</li> <li>• energy management</li> <li>• water management</li> <li>• litter reduction and waste minimisation</li> <li>• setting up environment clubs</li> <li>• developing school grounds as resources for learning.</li> </ul>	Tel: 8837 6093  <a href="http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/grants/schools.htm">http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/grants/schools.htm</a>
Closed 30 March 2007	<b>Environmental Education Program</b>  Environmental Trust	<b>Local Govt.</b>  State Govt.	Expression of interest process precedes applications  Grants between \$5,000 and \$100,000 for projects that <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to help attain one or more of the outcomes in the NSW Government's</li> </ul>	Tel: 8837 6093  <a href="http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/grants/">http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/grants/</a>

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	(DEC)	ROC's Universities Incorporated associations Comm. groups Limited companies Cooperatives	Environmental Education Plan <i>Learning for Sustainability</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to facilitate changes in behavior of individuals and groups that affects specific environmental problems</li> <li>to develop and promote education projects that improve the environment.</li> </ul>	education.htm
Applications closed 21 Dec 06  No further funding announced as 10/4/07	<b>Education for Sustainable Development Grants Programme</b>  <b>(Previously named Commonwealth Environmental Education Grants Program)</b>  Dept. of Environment and Heritage	<b>Local Govt.</b> State Govt NGO's educational institutions community groups	Funds generally between \$3,000 and \$45,000 (although more available depending on merit).  Projects should contribute to the priority areas identified by the National Environmental Education Council, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>develop strategies to assist in the incorporation of ecologically sustainable development principles into teaching programs and campus activities;</li> <li>encourage business and industry to develop practices consistent with ecologically sustainable development;</li> <li>develop resources and consistent approaches to environmental education in the community that reflect sound environmental knowledge and practice.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.deh.gov.au/education/programs/index.html">http://www.deh.gov.au/education/programs/index.html</a>  Environmental Education Section (02) 6274 1290
<b>Invasive Species</b>				
Applications close 4 May 2007	<b>Local Coordination and Weed Control</b>  NSW DPI	<b>Local Govt</b> Noxious Weed County Councils  Joint Weed Control Authorities	Local Control authorities may be eligible for assistance up to a dollar for each dollar contributed for their weed control coordination program. The maximum level of assistance is determined by the Council's benchmark.  Activities funded include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>salary and training of weed control coordinator</li> <li>surveys</li> <li>planning strategic programs and integration with regional programs</li> <li>education/extension and publicity</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.agric.nsw.gov.au/reader/weeds-reporting">http://www.agric.nsw.gov.au/reader/weeds-reporting</a>  Contact details for regional coordinators on website

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>implement functions under the Noxious Weeds Act 1993</li> </ul>	
Applications due 4 May 2007	<b>State Priority Weed Projects</b> NSW DPI	<b>Local Govt</b>	<p>Funds may be available under certain circumstances to individual agencies where a group application is not an option and the actions proposed are deemed by NWAC to be of high priority to Noxious Weed Control in NSW. Priority given to projects which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>prevent weeds from establishing in NW or spreading to uninfested regions</li> <li>if the weed was recently identified and authorities have not yet had an opportunity to develop a regional plan</li> <li>include substantial contributions from LCA's</li> <li>Funds are provided for 1 year on a dollar for dollar basis.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.agric.nsw.gov.au/reader/weeds-reporting">http://www.agric.nsw.gov.au/reader/weeds-reporting</a></p> <p>Contact details for regional coordinators on website</p>
Applications close 4 May 2007	<b>Regional Weeds Plans and Group Funding</b> NSW DPI	<b>Local Govt</b> and DEC NPWS through Regional Weeds C'tees	Funds available to groups of Local Control Authorities (LCA's) through a group project grant application. Funds are provided to implement approved Regional Weeds Plans. Applications must involve at least 3 appropriate LCA's and are provided on a dollar for dollar basis.	<a href="http://www.agric.nsw.gov.au/reader/weeds-reporting">http://www.agric.nsw.gov.au/reader/weeds-reporting</a>
No Public funding for 2007 and 2008	<b>Defeating the Weed Menace</b> Australian Government Defeating the weed menace fund	Aimed primarily at CMA's, however, <b>Local Govt</b> is encouraged to contact the relevant WONS coordinator and register local needs that may combine to indicate a regional/cross-regional need.	<p>Strategic on-ground control and eradication at a regional level, research into cost effective management techniques and bio-controls for key target weeds, and awareness raising campaigns. Cross-regional projects should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>deal with national priority weeds, including WoNS, 'National Environmental Alert List' and priority sleeper weeds;</li> <li>be strategic, for example, prevent the spread of weeds through catchments, or remove 'outlier' weed areas;</li> <li>result in sustained benefits across a number of NRM regions;</li> <li>be consistent with regional plans (i.e. CAP's) and investment strategies approved under the NHT;</li> <li>address causes rather than symptoms; and</li> <li>consider on-going arrangements to ensure weed problems do not recur.</li> </ul>	<p>John Thorp National Weeds Mgt Facilitator Tel: (03) 6344 9657 jthorp@jta.com.au</p> <p>WONS Coordinators</p> <p><a href="http://nrm.gov.au/contact_s/weeds.html">http://nrm.gov.au/contact_s/weeds.html</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.daff.gov.au/defeatingweeds">http://www.daff.gov.au/defeatingweeds</a></p>
Programme funds already committed for next 2	<b>National Feral Animal Control Programme (NFACP)</b>	<b>Local Govt</b> State agencies Incorporated	Projects are generally in the range \$10,000-\$100,000pa, and up to two years duration. Successful projects will require significant in-kind and cash contributions from the proponent and third parties. Support for:	<p><a href="http://www.daff.gov.au">http://www.daff.gov.au</a></p> <p>Quentin Hart</p>

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years. Applications called for when funding available. Possibly 2008/2009	Natural Heritage Trust	community groups  Universities  Registered organisations  (strong preference given to regional areas)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developing effective, economic and humane control techniques.</li> <li>• Developing monitoring techniques to provide more reliable information on pest animal numbers and damage.</li> <li>• Demonstrating 'best practice' management strategies at a regional scale.</li> <li>• Producing national extension materials to facilitate adoption of 'best practice' management.</li> <li>• Risk assessment/management and incursion management strategies to avoid establishment and spread of new and existing pest animals.</li> </ul> <p>Support will not be provided for routine pest animal management activities with benefits limited to particular regions. Such activities may be supported under the NHT's Envirofund and Regional components</p>	Tel: 02 6272 3801 quentin.hart@brs.gov.au
<b>Marine and Coasts</b>				
EOI expected to be called July 2007	<b>Coastal Management Program</b>  Dept of Nat Resources	<b>Local Govt</b>	50:50 funding partnership with LG for development and implementation of Coastline Management Plans	Mark Moratti  Tel: 9895 5056
Calling for applications for 2007/08 funding in about May 2007	<b>Estuary Management Program</b>  Dept of Nat Resources	<b>Local Govt</b>	50:50 funding partnership with LG for development and implementation of Estuary Management Plans	Gus Pelosi  Tel: 9895 5939
1 March 07 to 27 April 07	<b>Maritime Infrastructure Program (MIP) Grants</b> (formerly known as WADAMP Grants)  NSW Maritime	<b>Local Govt</b>  State Govt.  Incorporated or registered boating groups or maritime orientated clubs	<p>Between around \$10,000 and \$200,000 in dollar-for-dollar funding (including in-kind and labour from proponent) for projects such as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• provision of public sewage pumpout sites</li> <li>• upgrade or provision of boat ramps</li> <li>• upgrade or provision of public wharves/jetties</li> <li>• installation of public moorings</li> <li>• upgrade of small boat harbours</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.maritime.nsw.gov.au/infra.html">http://www.maritime.nsw.gov.au/infra.html</a>  The MIP Manager 02 9563 8851

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>feasibility studies on the above infrastructure projects.</li> </ul> <p>On-going maintenance and operating costs are not covered</p>	
<p>No set timeframe</p> <p>05/06 budget fully allocated, so C'wealth funding unavailable until 06/07</p>	<p><b>Coastal Catchments Initiative</b></p> <p>Dept of Environment and Heritage</p>	<p><b>Local Govt</b></p> <p>State Government</p>	<p>Commonwealth funding allocated on the basis of an agreement between Commonwealth (DEH), State (DEC) and Local Governments regarding land based threats to water quality in a particular estuary system.</p> <p>State or Local Govt presents a very brief case outlining existing or potential threats (1-2 pages) and 3-way discussions are held on the eligibility. If eligible, a "WQ Improvement Plan" is developed, with funding available for interim projects to develop foundations for plan delivery such as modelling, decision support tools and WQ monitoring coordination.</p> <p>The plan, prepared consistent with the "Framework for Marine and Estuarine Water Quality Protection" (see website), will identify the most cost-effective and timely projects for investment by all parties — including Commonwealth, State and Local Governments, and community and environment groups.</p> <p>An important criterion for estuary eligibility is the presence of matters of national environmental significance, hence, in the Sydney Basin, Botany Bay is likely to be the only likely candidate (Towra Point Ramsar Wetland).</p>	<p><a href="http://www.deh.gov.au/coasts/pollution/cci/index.html#about">http://www.deh.gov.au/coasts/pollution/cci/index.html#about</a></p> <p>Vaughn Cox</p> <p>Water Quality Section DEH</p> <p>Tel: (02) 6274 2005</p> <p><a href="mailto:vaughn.cox@deh.gov.au">vaughn.cox@deh.gov.au</a></p>
<p>Closed 24 Oct 06. No further information regarding funding as of 10/4/07</p>	<p><b>Marine Species Recovery and Protection ('MSRP Funding')</b></p> <p>Dept of Environment and Heritage</p>	<p>an individual; or a research and/or educational institution; or a not-for-profit body that is legally incorporated in Australia</p>	<p>Funding for Marine Species Recovery and Protection ('MSRP Funding') aims to support high-quality projects that will make a significant contribution to the implementation of recovery plans relating to the following groups of threatened marine species:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sharks</li> <li>Marine Turtles</li> <li>Handfish</li> <li>Seals</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.deh.gov.au/coasts/species/msrp/index.html">http://www.deh.gov.au/coasts/species/msrp/index.html</a></p> <p>Abigail Beeson</p> <p>Phone; 02 62741569</p> <p><a href="mailto:Abigail.beeson@deh.gov.au">Abigail.beeson@deh.gov.au</a></p>
<b>Primary Production and fishing</b>				
<p>Expected later 2007</p>	<p><b>Natural Resource Innovation Grants</b></p> <p>National Landcare Program</p>	<p>Individuals</p> <p>Incorporated community and "not-for-profit"</p>	<p>Projects in the last round received funding of up to \$150,000 for development, adoption, implementation and delivery of innovative practices, production techniques, technologies or products in the primary production sector</p> <p>Projects must</p>	<p>tel: 1800 657 220</p> <p><a href="mailto:nlpinnovations@daff.gov.au">nlpinnovations@daff.gov.au</a></p>

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		groups Businesses with links to NRM and/or primary production	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• contribute to increased profitability or output</li> <li>• sustainability of the natural resource base</li> <li>• demonstrate wider applicability across the relevant industries.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.daff.gov.au">http://www.daff.gov.au</a>
Closed February Monday 26 Feb 07	<b>Community Support Grants</b>  National Landcare Program	Individuals  Comm groups  not-for-profit orgs  businesses with links to natural resource managers and/or primary producers	Around \$30 million nationally for local and regional Landcare activities consistent with priorities in accredited, regional NRM plans (Blueprints/CAP's) and CMA Three Year Investment Strategies. These can include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• measures to combine production and conservation on farms,</li> <li>• improve the skills of natural resource managers</li> <li>• promote best management practice, and</li> <li>• better integrate natural resource management into business and property plans</li> </ul>	Tel: 6272 4350  <a href="http://www.daff.gov.au/content/output.cfm?ObjectID=D2C48F86-BA1A-11A1-A2200060B0A04273">http://www.daff.gov.au/content/output.cfm?ObjectID=D2C48F86-BA1A-11A1-A2200060B0A04273</a>
Any time during the year	<b>NSW Fisheries Small Grants Program</b>  NSW DPI	<b>Local Govt.</b>  fishing clubs  community members	Up to \$5,000 of dollar-for-dollar funding for local or regional projects aimed at enhancing recreational fishing such as <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• recreational fishing access, facilities and education</li> <li>• information and training</li> <li>• recreational fisheries research</li> <li>• recreational fisheries' sustainability and habitat improvement</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.fisheries.nsw.gov.au/rec/committees/rft-guide.htm">http://www.fisheries.nsw.gov.au/rec/committees/rft-guide.htm</a>
Closes 16 March 2006.  Next round expected Feb/Mar 2007	<b>NSW Fisheries Large Grants Program</b>  NSW DPI	<b>Local Govt.</b>  fishing clubs  community members	Over \$5,000 of dollar-for-dollar funding for local or regional projects aimed at enhancing recreational fishing such as <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• recreational fishing access, facilities and education</li> <li>• information and training</li> <li>• recreational fisheries research</li> </ul> recreational fisheries' sustainability and habitat improvement	<a href="http://www.fisheries.nsw.gov.au/rec/committees/rft-guide.htm">http://www.fisheries.nsw.gov.au/rec/committees/rft-guide.htm</a>
Round 4 closed 25 January	<b>Recreational Fishing Community Grants Programme</b>	incorporated assoc's	Up to \$100,000 of dollar-for-dollar funding (higher DAFF contribution for exceptional projects)	<a href="http://www.daff.gov.au/recfishinggrants">http://www.daff.gov.au/recfishinggrants</a>

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2007	Dept Agriculture Fisheries and forestry	body corporates, companies, trustees;  Local Govt  universities, TAFEs, schools  individuals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• for improvements to infrastructure, including roads, tracks and paths used by recreational fishers to access fishing spots;</li> <li>• to support local initiatives to enhance recreational fishing, such as restocking fish in inland waterways;</li> <li>• to protect the environment at the water's edge by, for example, protecting sensitive habitats;</li> <li>• to establish and upgrade volunteer marine and freshwater rescue groups and associated infrastructure; and</li> <li>• for education and awareness raising projects such as biofouling, aquatic pest translocation, increasing survival rates of released fish, and sensitive species.</li> </ul>	Tel: 6272 3848
<b>Public places</b>				
<p>Expected to open around May 2006</p> <p>Closed 1 Sept 2006.</p> <p>No rounds for 2007 released yet</p>	<p><b>The Metropolitan Greenspace Program</b></p> <p>Dept of Planning</p>	<p><b>Local Govt.</b> in Sydney (joint applications are encouraged)</p>	<p>Around \$1 million annually of dollar-for-dollar funding for projects that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• include open space enhancements such as walking or bike trails, landscaping, tree-planting and bush regeneration</li> <li>• assist local government to plan and improve regionally significant open space</li> <li>• enable more effective public use of these areas by the public</li> <li>• promote partnerships between State and local government</li> <li>• implement the Department's strategic directions for open space.</li> </ul> <p>2006 focus will be on Regional Recreational Trails refer to the report</p>	<p><a href="http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/programservices/met.html">http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/programservices/met.html</a></p> <p>Tom Sear, Greenspace Program Coordinator</p> <p>Tel: 02 9895 7260</p> <p><a href="mailto:tom.sear@planning.nsw.gov.au">tom.sear@planning.nsw.gov.au</a>.</p>
<p>Round for 2006/07 closed 1 Sept 2006.</p> <p>Waiting for announcement for Round</p>	<p><b>Cooks river foreshore improvement</b></p> <p>Dept of Planning</p>	<p><b>Local Govt.</b></p> <p>(Botany Bay, Burwood, Canterbury, Marrickville, Rockdale, South Sydney and</p>	<p>Around \$500,000 annually of dollar-for-dollar funding for projects that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• improve the green space along the Cooks River Foreshore;</li> <li>• restore riverine habitats for native fauna and flora;</li> <li>• naturalise riverbanks;</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/programservices/improvement.asp">http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/programservices/improvement.asp</a></p> <p>Tom Sear, Greenspace Program Coordinator</p>

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2007/08		Strathfield Councils) and relevant environmental and community groups	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• improve access to the water and extend pedestrian and cycle links;</li> <li>• enhance the use, enjoyment and safety of the river environs and regional open space along the Cooks River;</li> <li>• rehabilitate environments degraded from past urban and industrial pollution;</li> <li>• increase public awareness and appreciation of the values of the Cooks River and encourage community support for and participation in the restoration and enhancement of the river</li> <li>• environs;</li> <li>• encourage collaborative solutions involving a number of councils, community groups and other relevant stakeholders.</li> </ul>	Tel: 02 9895 7260 tom.sear@planning.nsw.gov.au.
Opened 1 March 07 and Close 27 April 2007	<b>Sharing Sydney Harbour Access Program</b> Dept of Planning Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority NSW Maritime	<b>Local Govt.</b> and registered recreational organisations, in the Syd Harbour Catchment.  State agencies may also be eligible for funding of 'strategic projects'.	Around \$2 million annually of dollar-for-dollar grant funding for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• walking tracks (generally, preference will be given to land-based means of providing foreshore access rather than boardwalks)</li> <li>• on-road and off-road cycle ways</li> <li>• public domain improvements eg better access ways, promenades, shelters, seating, lighting, signage, planting, interpretive facilities, dry-boat and cycle storage</li> <li>• wharves and pontoons</li> <li>• "soft access" for landing small boats including seawall steps and beaches.</li> </ul> Construction of new boat ramps 100% funded by NSW Maritime	<a href="http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/harbour/sydney_access.html">http://www.planning.nsw.gov.au/harbour/sydney_access.html</a> Vivienne Whitfield Tel: 9228 6343 Vivienne.whitfield@planning.nsw.gov.au
<b>Water and energy efficiency</b>				
Closed 15 Sept 06	<b>Raising National Water Standards</b> Aust Govt Water Fund	State Govt agencies Universities Corporations	Aims to invest in Australia's national capacity to measure, monitor and manage its water resources. Funding made available via commissions and a competitive grants scheme.  \$200 million over 5 years.	<a href="http://www.nwc.gov.au/water_fund/water_standards.cfm">http://www.nwc.gov.au/water_fund/water_standards.cfm</a>
Round 3 to open for applications in	<b>Community Water Grants</b>	<b>Local Govt</b> Schools	Up to \$50,000 for projects that <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• promote a culture of wise water use through community engagement and</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.communitywatergrants.gov.au/">www.communitywatergrants.gov.au/</a>

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early to mid 2007	Natural Heritage Trust (Community Funding)	Indigenous organisations  Comm groups  Community-care sector  CMA's	awareness about saving and conserving water  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• encourage best practice measures and demonstrate water wise solutions adapted to tackle local needs and problems</li> <li>• provide the support and means for community groups to undertake on-ground projects under the three areas of activity: water savings-efficiency, water reuse-recycling and surface and groundwater health such as protecting or enhancing the health of rivers, wetlands and groundwater resources.</li> </ul>	
2006/07 projects announced Feb 07. No info when next round being held.10/4/07	<b>Water Smart Australia Program</b>  Aust Govt Water Fund	<b>Local Govt</b>  State Govt  Private sector  Community groups  Other organisations	Grants of over \$1 million, although smaller grants may be considered for highly relevant projects and scoping studies  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• improve river flows for better environmental outcomes</li> <li>• return groundwater aquifers to sustainable levels</li> <li>• lead to water savings through improvements in irrigation infrastructure</li> <li>• encourage or advance on-farm water use efficiency improvements</li> <li>• desalinate water for use in cities and towns</li> <li>• recycle and reuse storm water, 'grey' water and wastewater from sewage</li> <li>• provide more efficient storage facilities, such as underground aquifers</li> <li>• provide alternatives to ocean outfalls and the better management of sewage in our coastal cities, and</li> <li>• develop water efficient housing design..</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.nwc.gov.au/water_fund/water_smart_aust/guidelines.cfm">http://www.nwc.gov.au/water_fund/water_smart_aust/guidelines.cfm</a>  Steve Costello NSW Coordinator 6102 6084  Applicants should call the NWC on 02 6102 6000 before beginning a detailed application
Sydney region closed on December 7, 2006  No information on when next round will be called.	<b>Water Saving Fund</b>  (DEUS)	Businesses, Local Govt, Govt agencies, organisations or  Community groups in Sydney Water's area of operations.	Preference will be given to projects which:  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• have a high degree of certainty in delivering savings</li> <li>• are repeatable and/or will lead to sustained changes in water consumption behaviours and</li> <li>• investment choices, without additional expenditures by the Fund</li> <li>• commit to provision of additional funds and other forms of collaboration</li> <li>• lead to benefits in addition to saving water, including energy savings</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.deus.nsw.gov.au/waterandenergysavings/">http://www.deus.nsw.gov.au/waterandenergysavings/</a>  fundsmanager@deus.nsw.gov.au  Tel: 8281 7417

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10/4/07			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• coordinate with and complement, rather than duplicate, other programs and policies</li> <li>• demonstrate or trial innovative new technologies or practices.</li> </ul>	
<b>Other</b>				
Various	<b>Incentives Programs</b> Catchment Management Authorities	Various but generally land holders	A number of Catchment Management Authorities have programs to assist land holders to contribute to biodiversity conservation and sustainable production practices. Contact your local CMA for further information	<a href="http://www.cma.nsw.gov.au/">http://www.cma.nsw.gov.au/</a>
Various	<b>Community Grants Programs</b> Local Councils	Various but generally community groups	A number of Local Councils provide small grants to community groups. Contact your Local Council for further information.	n/a
Applications for 2007/08 projects closed 10 Nov 2006	<b>Australian Biological Resources Study (ABRS) Grants Programme</b> DEH	Not-for-profit organisations Business Government CMA's Educational and research institutions Community groups and organisations	<p>Up to \$60,000 for 2 types of projects.</p> <p><i>Research Project Grants</i> for which the primary aim is to undertake systematic research on the Australian Biota; and</p> <p><i>Biodiversity Information Product Grants</i> for the development or design of a discrete product that aids in the dissemination of taxonomic information to the wider community.</p> <p>Projects should do one or more of the following</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Documentation of Australia's biological diversity with particular emphasis on lesser-known groups, including microorganisms.</li> <li>• Rigorous taxonomic treatment mainly at species level.</li> <li>• Contribution to regional or continental generic or higher-level systematics research.</li> <li>• Groups of high conservation value.</li> <li>• Groups of economic, health and/or social benefit.</li> <li>• Innovative approaches for dealing with complex systematics problems.</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.deh.gov.au/biodiversity/abrs/admin/grants/">http://www.deh.gov.au/biodiversity/abrs/admin/grants/</a></p> <p>Tel: (02) 6250 9554</p>
Applications should be	<b>BHP Billiton Corporate Community</b>	Non-profit Organisations	Between \$50,000 and \$200,000. "Community-based conservation and rehabilitation programs" is one of a number of focus areas funded. Preference is	<a href="http://www.bhpbilliton.com/bb/sustainableDevelo">http://www.bhpbilliton.com/bb/sustainableDevelo</a>

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submitted by 1 Mar, 1 Aug or 1 Nov each year	<b>Program</b> BHP Billiton		<p>given to projects that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are national/international and will benefit communities in regions where BHP Billiton operates</li> <li>• Are directed at solving problems in a sustainable way rather than providing short-term relief from symptoms or long-term dependency</li> <li>• Will become self-sustaining, or will continue to provide benefits to the community after the project is completed and funding has ceased</li> <li>• Provide opportunities for involvement of BHP Billiton employees</li> <li>• Will have a significant impact in addressing an issue or make a real difference to the community</li> </ul>	<p>ment/community/supportGuidelines.jsp</p> <p>(03) 9609 3341</p> <p>NicoleCrook@bhpbilliton.com</p>
Round 4 currently closed. No date yet for round 5. 10/4/07	<b>Butt Littering Trust</b> British American Tobacco Australia		<p>Applicants must contribute 40% of the total project value either as financial and/or definable in-kind contributions. Organisations are eligible for funding of up to 60% of the total project value, to a limit of \$40,000 per project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Directly address the butt littering behaviour of smokers;</li> <li>• Focus on butt littering behaviours in either CBDs, at key transport stops, in the hospitality and tourism sector or associated with vehicles;</li> <li>• Demonstrate stakeholder participation in managing the butt littering issue, i.e. property councils, shopping centres, tourism and hospitality industry, community groups etc;</li> <li>• Include a monitoring and evaluation program to assess the effectiveness of the project;</li> <li>• Demonstrate results within one year of funding;</li> </ul>	<p><a href="http://www.buttlitteringtrust.org/">http://www.buttlitteringtrust.org/</a></p> <p>Tel: 8907 8216</p> <p>executiveofficer@buttlitteringtrust.org</p>
Applications opened Saturday 24 February 2007, closes Friday 25 May 2007.	<b>Protecting Our Places Program</b> Environmental Trust (DEC)	Aboriginal community groups. Unincorporated groups need a sponsor	Grants between \$2,000 and \$45,000 for projects that restore or rehabilitate Aboriginal land or land that is culturally significant to Aboriginal people and/or educate Aboriginal and other communities about the local environment and the value Aboriginal communities place on their natural environment	<p>Tel: 8837 6093</p> <p><a href="http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/grants/pop.htm">http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/grants/pop.htm</a></p>
No info on when next round will be	<b>Planning Reform Funding Program</b>	<b>Local Govt.</b>	<p>Around \$3 million statewide for initiatives that include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• local planning strategies (eg to identify growth potential for housing and</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.dipnr.nsw.gov.au/planningreform.html">http://www.dipnr.nsw.gov.au/planningreform.html</a>

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called. 10/4/07	Dept of Planning		<p>industry, and to protect high conservation areas, including threatened species habitats)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• economic development strategies (eg for job creation, tourism and agriculture)</li> <li>• investigative work (eg development studies for settlements and urban design, identifying transport and infrastructure priorities, or for biodiversity or rivers and foreshores protection)</li> <li>• joint work between two or more councils (eg joint studies to solve sub regional planning and infrastructure issues, or councils sharing a planner to assist in new LEP work)</li> <li>• identifying solutions to broader issues that can be applied in other areas (eg natural resource management, planning for rural lands or regional town centres, or management of salinity)</li> <li>• projects to address skill and staff shortages in rural and remote locations</li> <li>• mapping (eg to assist with biodiversity certification or threatened species mapping)</li> <li>• preparation of new LEPs</li> </ul> <p>The priority will be to fund preparation of new LEP's</p>	<p>Samantha Piper 9228 6174</p>
<b>Foundations and lower amounts</b>				
Closing date: 8 January, 1 April, 1 July and 1 October 2007	<p><b>Catchment Protection and Improvement Grants for Community Organisations</b></p> <p>Sydney Catchment Authority</p>	<p>formally constituted community organisations or groups</p> <p><b>Local Govt</b> may apply in partnership with a group</p>	<p>Funding of up to \$8,000 (and/or \$2,000 for equipment) for projects that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protect and improve the quality or quantity of water harvested from the SCA's catchment areas</li> <li>• Improve the health or condition of the catchments.</li> </ul>	<p>Sydney Catchment Authority 4725 2185</p> <p><a href="http://www.sca.nsw.gov.au/catchments/funding.html">http://www.sca.nsw.gov.au/catchments/funding.html</a></p>
Info on 2007 grants will be on website in April 07	<p><b>Australian Ethical Investment Community Grants</b></p> <p>Australian Ethical Investment</p>	Not-for-profit organisations	<p>Up to around \$6,000 for projects that contribute to AEI's Charter</p> <p><a href="http://www.austethical.com.au/about_aei/australian_ethical_charter">http://www.austethical.com.au/about_aei/australian_ethical_charter</a></p>	<p><a href="http://www.austethical.com.au/about_aei/community_grants">http://www.austethical.com.au/about_aei/community_grants</a></p> <p>Tel: 6201 1988</p>

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Closing dates: 1 Nov, 1 Feb, 1 May, and 1 Aug	<b>Riparian Management Assistance Program</b> Sydney Catchment Authority	Property owners in the catchments listed under 'description'	Assistance for property owners to protect and conserve riparian zones (i.e. fencing, weeding, revegetation, stock watering and minor erosion control) along the following creeks and associated streams and gullies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upper Werriberri Creek</li> <li>• Brogers Creek, Barrengarry Creek</li> <li>• Paddy's River, Uringalla Creek, Long Swamp Creek</li> <li>• Cullenbenbong Creek, Ganbenang Creek, Galong Creek</li> <li>• Coxs River (from Kanimbla Valley to Blue Mountains NP Boundary)</li> </ul> Applicants need to be planning to start the project within six months of the closing date.	Stuart Naylor, SCA Riparian Program Manager 4725 2591. <a href="http://www.sca.nsw.gov.au/catchments/ripariangrant.html">http://www.sca.nsw.gov.au/catchments/ripariangrant.html</a>
Closed 30 March 2007.	<b>Community Help Grants Program</b> SGIO Australia and NRMA	Community groups Not-for-profit organisations	From \$500 to \$5000 for projects that raise awareness of or combat climate change, or contribute to energy efficiency. Other sustainability projects will be considered.	<a href="http://www.nrma.com/public/nrma/community/help-program/index.shtml">http://www.nrma.com/public/nrma/community/help-program/index.shtml</a>  1300 306 496
Round for 2006/07 closed. No further funding update on website. 10/4/07	<b>Small Equipment Grants</b> Dept. of Family and Community Services	Any organisation with at least one volunteer, other than govt organisations.  Unincorporated groups will need a sponsor	Funding of up to \$3,000 for equipment that will make the work of volunteers easier, safer, more effective and/or more enjoyable.  Priority given to organisations that <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• have relatively small operating budgets with limited funding resources</li> <li>• have a relatively high volunteer to staff ratio</li> <li>• demonstrate that the organisation's work supports families and/or strengthens their local communities</li> <li>• have requested equipment that will have maximum benefit in the local community for a small outlay</li> <li>• have not received funding under VSEG 2003 or VSEG 2004</li> </ul>	1800 197 760  facs.internet@facs.gov.au
Round 2006/07 closed 2 Feb	<b>Grants to Voluntary Environment and Heritage</b>	NGO's and not-for-profit organisations	Funding of up to \$10,000 (although greater amounts possible for exceptional projects) for	<a href="http://www.deh.gov.au/programs/gveho/index.html">http://www.deh.gov.au/programs/gveho/index.html</a>

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07. No further update on website 10/4/07	<b>Organisations (GVEHO)</b> DEH	(Very strict eligibility criteria)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• salaries and salary on-costs for executive and administrative staff</li> <li>• utility charges (eg phone, electricity and gas)</li> <li>• supplies</li> <li>• staff and volunteer training</li> <li>• travel</li> <li>• other costs that contribute to the delivery of services and/or projects</li> <li>• Small office and non-office capital items such as computers, video cameras, trailers and specialised equipment to assist delivering activities of the organisation where there is significant and long-term public benefit in the purchase.</li> </ul>	Tel: 6274 2422
First working day of Feb, May, Aug and Nov each year	<b>Holden Community Support Program</b> GM Holden Ltd	<b>Local Govt</b> Community groups	Holden is particularly interested in projects that have a national focus and seek to educate and involve the Australian community in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restoring and preserving Australia's natural environment</li> <li>• Developing energy efficient strategies and alternative energy options</li> <li>• Applying technologies to achieve environmental gains</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.holden.com.au/www-holden/jsp/environmentcommunity/environmentcommunity.jsp?link=communitysupport&amp;heading=guidelines">http://www.holden.com.au/www-holden/jsp/environmentcommunity/environmentcommunity.jsp?link=communitysupport&amp;heading=guidelines</a>  communitysupport.holden@gm.com
Run quarterly  applications due 1 month before Board Meetings  15 Dec  15 March  15 June	<b>Project AWARE Foundation Grants</b>  Project AWARE Foundation	<b>Local Govt.</b>  Educational and research organisations  Community groups  Businesses	Micro grants up to \$1,000 for localised grass roots efforts, such as beach and underwater cleanups, mooring buoy programs, research projects, local education and public awareness programs.  Macro grants up to \$5,000 for large-scale regional, national or international efforts such as broad-based education and public awareness programs and high profile conservation projects.	<a href="http://www.projectaware.org/asiapac/english/grants/">http://www.projectaware.org/asiapac/english/grants/</a>

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15 Sept				
No closing dates available on website contact Karen Duncan for details	<b>Nestle Community Environment Program</b> Nestle	Community Groups Local Govt Schools	Up to \$20,000 for 12 month on-ground environmental projects near Nestle manufacturing sites at Smithtown, Blacktown, Arndel Park and Rhodes/Homebush.	Karen Duncan Tel: 02 8756 2805
No funding for environment projects until after April 08. See website for further details.	<b>Mazda Foundation</b> Mazda	Ask for more info	Up to \$50,000. One of the foundation's focus areas is assistance towards the maintenance and improvement of the natural environment.	<a href="http://www.mazdafoundation.org.au/">http://www.mazdafoundation.org.au/</a> Tel: (03) 8540 1800 info@mazdafoundation.org.au
Applications may be made throughout the year. Ring Grants Project Officer for enquiries.	<b>Macquarie Bank Foundation</b> Macquarie Bank	Community Groups	Each application is assessed on its individual merit and we welcome applications for funding from a diverse range of community-based initiatives that are working in innovative ways to provide long-term benefits.	<a href="http://www.macquarie.com.au/au/about_macquarie/macquarie_in_the_community.htm">http://www.macquarie.com.au/au/about_macquarie/macquarie_in_the_community.htm</a> Sally Thomson Grant Project Officer (02) 8232 9673 Email sally.thomson@macquarie.com
Next round of funding not yet announced. 10/4/07	<b>Myer Foundation Natural Environment Grants</b> Myer Foundation	Aimed mainly at NGO's, not-for-profit organisations and incorporated community groups.	The Foundation will support work that increases the Australian community's understanding of and response to, problems associated with climate change.  Priority will be given to projects that enable communities to participate effectively in discussions about environmental issues and ecological health, and empower them to provide long term solutions to their problems.	enquiries@myerfoundation.org.au  Tel: 03 9207 3040

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		<b>Local Govt.</b> eligible but unlikely to be successful		
Applications due 4 June 2007.	<b>Ian Potter Foundation Environment Grants</b>  Ian Potter Foundation	Not-for-profit groups with Deductible Gift Recipient status (i.e. can receive tax deductible gifts)	Funding for projects that <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• develop partnerships with communities, government and the private sector to help prevent irreversible damage to the environment and to encourage the maintenance of biodiversity</li> <li>• support programs and policies which are committed to the economic and ecologically sustainable development of land, and the preservation of species</li> <li>• to foster a broad public awareness of the environmental challenges facing urban and rural Australia</li> <li>• assist communities which are threatened with serious economic hardship due to the degradation of land and water resources, to develop policies to manage the social, economic and cultural changes needed for survival</li> <li>• assist projects designed to preserve the built environment which has cultural significance</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.ianpotter.org.au/2-0_about/2-0-about.html">http://www.ianpotter.org.au/2-0_about/2-0-about.html</a>
Applications Close Monday, 4 June 2007 and Monday, 1 October 2007	<b>George Alexander Foundation Grants</b>  George Alexander Foundation	communities, government and the private sector	Grants available to develop partnerships with communities, government and the private sector to prevent irreversible damage to the environment and to encourage the maintenance of biodiversity	<a href="http://www.gafoundation.org.au">www.gafoundation.org.au</a>
As required	<b>Kennards Hire Equipment Grants</b>  Kennards Hire	Community groups	\$250, \$500 or \$1000 for equipment hire for community groups	<a href="http://www.landcareaustralia.com.au">www.landcareaustralia.com.au</a>
2006/07 no small grants.  Contact Tim	<b>Bundaberg Rum Bush Fund – National Small Grants</b>	Landcare and other community groups	Funding of \$1,000 to \$5,000 to address water quality issues within the local area. This may be within a river, lake, stream, creek, or as part of the wider catchment.	Contact: Tim Cronin Email: <a href="mailto:tim@landcareaustralia.com.au">tim@landcareaustralia.com.au</a> Tel: (02) 9412 1040

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Cronin at Landcare Australia	Bundaberg Rum through Landcare			
Grants currently suspended. See website for further details. 10/4/07	<b>Australian Bird Environment Foundation Grants</b>  Australian Bird Environment Foundation	Community groups, landowners and individuals	Up to \$3,000 for projects that <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• maintain, improve or extend habitat for birds and other associated native animals and plants</li> <li>• involve the study of the needs of birds in their habitat</li> <li>• educate the public to become more aware of birds and their habitat requirements</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.birdobservers.org.au/ABEF.htm#ABEF%20Grants">http://www.birdobservers.org.au/ABEF.htm#ABEF%20Grants</a>
Any time	<b>Westpac Operation Backyard</b>  Landcare Australia Limited	Projects where Westpac staff are involved as volunteers.  Must be nominated by staff member.	Up to \$5,000 for projects such as <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• rehabilitating degraded recreation areas</li> <li>• making roadways more wildlife friendly</li> <li>• restoring coastal dunes, bushland and other areas for native flora and fauna</li> <li>• preventing erosion</li> <li>• supporting the ongoing survival of species</li> <li>• protecting native habitat.</li> </ul>	Contact: David Hehir Email: <a href="mailto:david@landcareaustralia.com.au">david@landcareaustralia.com.au</a> Tel: 03 9662 9977
Last working day of Mar, Jun, Sept and Dec each year	<b>Norman Wettenhall Foundation Grants</b>  Norman Wettenhall Foundation	Individuals and organisations	Up to \$10,000 for projects that meet the following principles.  Innovative projects are to be encouraged and preferably act as a model for other developments in the future; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The results have a long-term effect;</li> <li>• Publications of funded studies is regarded as important and will be supported;</li> <li>• Encouragement of individuals, as well as organisations, is possible provided the project is well planned; and</li> <li>• Dissemination of information, which will benefit the natural living environment.</li> </ul>	<a href="http://www.nwf.org.au/">http://www.nwf.org.au/</a>  Elizabeth Mellick (Beth) <i>Executive Officer</i> Tel (03) 9412 0403
No closing date ring Ms	<b>The Mullum Trust</b>	Environmental and conservation	This fund provides various amounts funding for projects with an environmental or conservation project with a community focus. Preference will be given to	Ms Simone Hey

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Simone Hey for details	<b>Grants</b> The Mullum Trust	projects with a community focus	projects that have a welfare or education component.	Ph: (03) 9615 8500 smh@bdomel.com.au