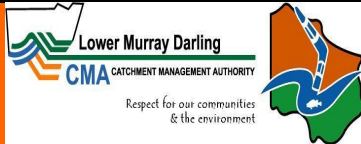


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CURRENT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



LMD CMA Funding

Irrigation Best Management Practices Incentives

Provided by: LMD CMA & NSW Catchment Action

Closing Date: 9th October 2009

The incentives encourage the adoption of Best Management Practices (BMPs), to yield water savings and more efficient production/irrigation systems by offering financial incentives to irrigators.

For further Information:

www.lmd.cma.nsw.gov.au or Phone Western Murray Irrigation: 03 5027 4953

Improving Land Management Practices (Cropping) Incentive

Provided by: LMD CMA & Caring for Our Country

Closing Date: 30th October 2009

The Lower Murray Darling Catchment Management Authority (LMD CMA) offers conservation farming incentives to assist landholders improve land management practices. These incentives will encourage the adoption of land management practices which will improve on-farm productivity, while slowing land degradation processes and increasing the resilience of farms and agricultural landscapes to climate change.

For Further Information: www.lmd.cma.nsw.gov.au or Phone:03 5021 9460

Increasing Landscape Conservation Incentive

Provided by: LMD CMA & Caring for Our Country

Closing Date: 30th October 2009

The specific aim of this incentive round is to increase landscape scale conservation and adoption of activities to conserve and protect biodiversity in priority woodlands. As part of this incentive, monitoring of vegetation condition, soil erosion and other parameters to determine the effectiveness of activities is a criterion to be assessed for the life of the project.

For Further Information: www.lmd.cma.nsw.gov.au or Phone:03 5021 9460

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GENERAL FUNDING

Community Action Grants

Provided by: Caring for Our Country

Closing Date: 22nd October 2009

Eligible community groups can apply for grants from \$5,000 to \$20,000 (GST exclusive) to take action to help protect and conserve Australia's environment.

Eligible projects must involve volunteers and communities in activities which work towards achieving outcomes in the Caring for our Country national priority areas of Biodiversity and Natural Icons, Coastal Environments and Critical Aquatic Habitats, and Sustainable Farm Practices and must be completed within 18 months or less

For further information: www.nrm.gov.au/funding or Phone: 1800 552 008

Improving Land Management Practices (Grazing)

Provided by: LMD CMA & Caring for Our Country

Closing Date: 30th October 2009

The incentive encourages the adoption of land management practices which improve on-farm productivity, while slowing land degradation processes and increasing the resilience of farms and agricultural landscapes to climate change.

Funding is available for those activities which are considered to be beyond a landholder's expected duty of care and where there is a substantial demonstrated public benefit consistent with "Caring for Our Country" targets.

For Further Information: www.lmd.cma.nsw.gov.au or Phone: 03 5021 9460

Exceptional Circumstances – Interest Rate Subsidy

Provided by: NSW Rural Assistance Authority

Closing Date: 31st March 2010

Subsidy available on interest payable and costs associated with loans provided for farm related purposes.

For further information: www.raa.nsw.gov.au/reader/ec or Phone: 1800 678 593

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Community Development and Support Expenditure Scheme

Provided by: Clubs NSW

Closing Date: Various

The Community Development and Support Expenditure (CDSE) Scheme is designed to ensure that larger registered clubs in NSW contribute to the provision of front-line services to their local communities; and to ensure that the disadvantaged in the community are better positioned to benefit from the substantial contributions made by those clubs

For Further Information: <http://www.clubsnsw.com.au> or Phone 02 9268 3000

Coles Local Community Support Program

Provided by: Coles

Closing date: always open

Coles aims to assist the development and wellbeing of the local communities in which we operate and through their Local Community Support Program they are able to give back to the communities that support them each day.

Through this program Coles supermarkets are supporting their communities, helping out where they can with local events, fundraisers and causes.

For Further Information: www.coles.com.au/about/community/support/

Climate Change Adjustment Program

Provided by: DAFF

The program assists farmers in obtaining professional advice, training and re-establishment assistance, and provides support to farmers to adjust their businesses to manage the impacts of climate change. Targeted training activities focus on areas such as whole farm planning, business and risk management, and understanding the implications of climate change. An advice and training grant of up to \$5,500 is available to eligible farmers and their partners. Grants of up to \$150,000 are available to eligible farmers who have considered their options and have made the decision to sell the farm and leave farming.

For Further Information: Phone: 1800 050 585 or www.daf.gov.au

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Hotel Club Sponsorship Programme

Provided by: Hotel Club

Closing date: Ongoing

To provide funding for small businesses, community organisations, charities, schools and learning faculties in Australia.

The sponsorship funds can be put towards a variety of projects from fundraising events to computer equipment, and will allow small organisations to implement some exciting new initiatives.

For Further Information: www.hotelclub.com/sponsorship or Phone: (02) 9391 4831

Community Hall Renewal Fund

Provided by: Department of State & regional Development

Closing Date: Ongoing

Grants of up to \$50000 will be provided to community (with a population of 10,000 or less) based organisations for materials and equipment on a nonrecurrent basis that demonstrate a clear community benefit by repairing or upgrading the hall.

Projects are to be supported by local government.

For Further Information: www.business.nsw.gov.au or Phone 1800 801 738



Business Funding

Re-tooling for Climate Change

Closing Date: 30th November 2009-09-28

The *Re-tooling for Climate Change* program will help small and medium sized Australian manufacturers reduce their environmental footprint, through projects that improve the energy and/or water efficiency of their production processes. The program provides grants of between \$10,000 and \$500,000, up to a maximum of half of the cost of each project.

For Further Information: <http://www.ausindustry.gov.au/> or Phone: 13 28 46

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Green Building Fund

Closing Date: 12th January 2010

The *Green Building Fund* (\$90m over 5 years) aims to reduce the impact of Australia's built environment on green house gas emissions, by reducing the energy consumed in the operation of existing commercial office buildings.

For Further Information: <http://www.ausindustry.gov.au/> or Phone: 13 28 46



School Funding

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden

Closing Date: October 20th 2009

Grants of up to \$66,000 (GST inclusive) per school are available to fund the construction of a productive vegetable garden and a home-style teaching kitchen, as required to implement the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program.

For Further Information: www.kitchengardenfoundation.org.au

Junior Landcare Grants Program

Provided by: Landcare Australia

Closing date: October 23 2009

Junior Landcare is Landcare Australia's youth program, which aims to get kids actively involved in their environment and enable them to develop sustainable habits from a young age. It is a great, hands-on way to get kids connecting with and learning about nature, as well as encouraging them to get outdoors. Up to \$1,100 is available for any school or youth group seeking to educate young Australians about the environment

For further Information:

www.landcareonline.com or Email: rebecca@landcareaustralia.com.au

Yates Environmental Management Planning Grant

Provided by: Yates

Schools and youth groups can apply for grants of up to \$1,000 (ex GST) to undertake School Environmental Management Plans (SEMP) or to undertake works identified in an earlier SEMF.

For Further Information: www.landcareonline.com

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National Solar Schools Program

Provided by: Department Environment, Water, Heritage & the Arts

Closing Date: June 2015

The Australian Government is backing our schools in the fight against climate change. National Solar Schools offers grants of up to \$50,000 (GST exclusive) to install solar and other renewable power systems, solar hot water systems, rainwater tanks and a range of energy efficiency measures.

For Further Information: www.environment.gov.au or Phone 1800 703 831



Awards

Volunteer Administrator Award of Excellence

To recognise a manager of volunteers for his or her outstanding contributions to the profession of volunteer administration and the promotion of volunteerism in the community. Any individual who manages volunteers in a public, corporate or non-profit organization is eligible and can be nominated. Self-nominations are also accepted.

For Further Information: <http://www.aava.asn.au> or Phone: (07) 3250 1927



Junior Landcare Competitions

Junior Landcare Pumpkin Challenge

Participants will be sent a free packet of Yates pumpkin seeds and compete to grow the biggest, most enormous pumpkin in Australia. You will be required to log on monthly to register the weight of your pumpkin and upload a photo.

The Challenge will be opened to schools, youth groups (like scouts) and kids under 16.

Registrations open 24th AUGUST and are limited to the first 15,000

For Further Information: www.juniorlandcare.com.au

Plastic Bag Challenge

Round up all your plastic shopping bags and bring them in to you local Coles for recycling. Submit your final bag count by Friday 23rd of October at 5pm. Not only is this good for the environment, but you will be helping raise money for Junior Landcare.

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To take part in the Coles Plastic Bag Challenge register online then enter the number of bags collected and a photo of your horde. This will help us keep a tally on the way to our 200 tonne target!

To register – go to www.juniorlandcarechallenge.com.au



NSW Drought Hotline – 1800 814 647
Rural Mental Health Line – 1800 201 123
NSW Rural Assist. Authority – 1800 678 593
www.beyondblue.org.au



List of Events 2009

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| 7th October | Kilfera Field Day
Kilfera Station via Ivanhoe |
| 30th October | Community Planning & Information Forum
Inland Botanic Gardens – Buronga |
| 8th December | Aboriginal Community Engagement Gathering
Junction Park – Wentworth |