



# Tasmanian Weeds Action Fund Southern Midlands Drought Weeds Grant 2020 APPLICATION FORM

## Support for farmers to combat weeds during and after drought

Farmers in the Southern Midlands have access to support to manage weed issues related to drought, as part of the Tasmanian Government's Weed Action Fund Drought and Weed Management Program. A small grant program is currently open to assist farmers impacted by drought to undertake targeted weed management of species that limit agricultural production.

**Contact Southern Midlands on 6254 5000 to arrange a phone appointment to start your application**  
(appointments are available Mondays or Tuesdays)

### Important dates

Applications will be considered on a case by case basis until funding is expended. Applications are to be submitted to: [mail@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au](mailto:mail@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au) or delivered to Southern Midlands Council, 71 High Street, Oatlands Tasmania 7120.

### Project size

The Southern Midlands Drought Weeds Project has \$30 000 available in total for grants, with expectations to support around 10 projects, funding approximately \$2500 each. Applicants are required to contribute a minimum of 34% of project costs. Projects seeking more, or less than \$2500, will be considered on their merits.

### Eligibility

Please read the Municipal Drought Weeds Grants 2020 - Guidelines and Eligibility, before filling out this form. It should be noted that meeting the eligibility criteria is not a guarantee of funding.

The Southern Midlands Weed Management Strategy 2020-2025 outlines criteria for determining weed management priorities in the Southern Midlands (appendix 1, p21). Priority weeds with impacts pre and post drought include (**but not limited to**);

*Cotton thistle, nodding thistle, saffron thistle, Chilean Needle Grass, serrated tussock, stemless thistle, St John's wort, African Lovegrass and Mouse ear hawkweed.*

### Further weed management opportunities

**If you are unsure if your project is eligible, you are encouraged to still apply or enquire with the Weeds Officer.** The Tasmanian Government's Weed Action Fund will be offering its substantial 2nd round of WAF grants in 2020/21. This is an opportunity to investigate your weed issues and management with the Weeds Officer and plan weed projects.

For questions or to discuss your application, please contact: Southern Midlands Weeds Officer, Jen Milne (Monday – Tuesday) [jmilne@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au](mailto:jmilne@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au), 03 6254 5046.

## PART A: Applicant and Property Details

Applicant name:	
Project Address:	
Property ID (PID)	
Postal Address:	
Contact person	
Phone Number:	
Email:	
ABN	
*Registered for GST	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
*Insurance or Incorporation	Copy of current Public Liability Insurance attached Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Incorporated Public Association number:
NLIS PIC number <i>(Property Identification Code)</i>	
<b>Declaration</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>I have read and understand the grant guidelines and eligibility and all the information I have provided in and with this application is true and complete.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>&gt;50% gross income from primary production and have evidence of being a primary producer</i>
	Name:
	Date
	Signature:

\*Copies/Details must be provided if application is successful.

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## PART B: Project Details

### Title of the Project

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### Drought Weed Issues

What drought weed issues you would like to address? (include details of weeds and impact/threats to agricultural productivity):

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### Drought and Farm Management

Has your ability to manage weeds and farm production been diminished due to drought? If so, explain how:

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## Project Description

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- Describe the on-ground control, biosecurity measures and/or education, training and awareness activities proposed and planned follow up weed management
  - Explain how the activity(s) will control, reduce the spread or prevent the emergence of drought-favoured weeds and their impact on agricultural productivity
  - Describe the method(s) to be used for each activity and site
  - Include individual activities and sites on the Project Map and Budget (PART C) (below).
  - If requesting funds for awareness and education or weed planning activities, explain how those activities will deliver effective weed management outcomes.
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## Project Map

Please attach map with annotations showing project area and other relevant details.

e.g. activity/treatment areas and timing (if staged), assets such as fencing (existing or planned), boundaries to bush and aquatic habitat, planting areas and to other landowners.

Photographs may be attached with a brief description identifying location and direction.

If applicable, outline advice received from the drought weeds officer, a licensed weed control contractor or authorised weed officer.

## PART C: Project Budget

For each project activity or site, detail the timing, activities and tasks and items involved (e.g. works, equipment, materials etc.), who undertakes the work and costs and contributions.

Applicant must contribute 34% of project costs through money or in-kind contribution (materials, labour etc.). There is no cap on total application value. Expected funding available is approximately \$2500 per application. A maximum of 50% of funds sought applies for labour provided in kind by applicant.

Activities and works timeline	Amount of funding sought (gst exclusive)	In-kind contribution (funding, materials or labour)
Total (gst exclusive)		
Total GST applicable		
Total Project Value (Including gst)		

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## PART D: Best Practice

### Contractors

Are you using a contractor? Yes  No

If yes please attach a quote for the activities that they are undertaking and ensure this is included in your Project Plan and Budget. Contractors undertaking spraying should hold a Commercial Operator's Licence for spraying. If using chemicals, the applicant agrees to read the label instructions and use only as directed. It is the user's responsibility to check that registration or an off-label permit covers the proposed use for the chemical.

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### Technical Advice

What technical knowledge and experience, or advice and guidance from others, have you used to develop and plan your project?

Name, support provided	contact number	organization
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### Ongoing Weed Management

How will the proposed works be maintained into the future?

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### Existing Management Plans

Does the property have a weed management plan, farm biosecurity plan, property management plan, etc. to guide the proposed activities?

Yes  No

If yes, please provide name of plan (s) and date (s).