

Naturally Inspired Bite-sized Grants: *Increasing awareness and positive action*

NRM South Naturally Inspired Grants Program	Naturally Inspired Grants (NIG)	Naturally Inspired Bite-sized Grants (NIBS)
Applications open	February each year	Available all year round, however there is a fixed allocation of funding per financial year
Funding available per grant	\$2000-5000	\$200-500
Number of submissions permitted per financial year	One per group	One per group
Project completion	By 30 June each year	Within 3 months of receiving funds
Eligibility	Incorporated not for profit groups including but not limited to Land, Coast, and Bushcare groups, friends-of groups, schools and school associations, guide and scout groups, charitable organisations, SES and volunteer fire groups, church groups, surf clubs and sporting clubs	Incorporated not for profit groups including but not limited to Land, Coast, and Bushcare groups, friends-of groups, schools and school associations, guide and scout groups, charitable organisations, SES and volunteer fire groups, church groups, surf clubs and sporting clubs
Grant objectives	To support community groups with primarily on-ground activities meeting specific priorities and criteria. Some projects may incorporate engagement activities.	Increasing awareness and positive action for groups in NRM and sustainability in project areas such as garden development, weed control, revegetation etc. Potential projects may fund training events, purchase of resources, contracting services or development of educational materials.
Application forms	Naturally Inspired Grants application form is found on our grants page , when the grant round is open	Naturally inspired Bite-sized Grants application form can be found here

What are Naturally Inspired Bite-sized Grants?

A portion of NRM South's Naturally Inspired Grants budget has been allocated to the Naturally Inspired Bite-sized program, to provide support for small, short-term projects ranging from \$200 - \$500. Project funds must be acquitted and a completion report submitted within 3 months of receiving the grant money.

When are Naturally Inspired Bite-sized Grants available?

The Naturally Inspired Bite-sized grants will be available all year round, with no set opening or closing application period. The rolling grants are designed to give groups more opportunity to apply for small amounts of funding when it is needed. There is a fixed amount of funding allocated via these grants each financial year.

A group may only receive funding once per financial year, however a group may reapply with a different project submission if their application was unsuccessful.

Who can apply?

Applicants must be an incorporated, not-for-profit organisation or volunteer group (including but not limited to Land, Coast, and Bushcare groups, schools and school associations, guide and scout groups, charitable organisations, SES and volunteer fire groups, church groups, surf clubs and sporting clubs etc). Applicants may also have a sponsor who is able to accept legal and financial responsibility for the project or activity. Potential sponsoring organisations include the Tasmanian Landcare Association, Southern Coastcare Association of Tasmania and Local Government.

Individuals are not eligible to apply.

Applicants, or their sponsors, must hold valid public liability insurance and the project works must be on public land or school grounds.



What can be funded?

A diverse range of activities can be funded which contribute to increasing awareness and positive action by communities in natural resource management. This may include purchasing tools, equipment or consumables; hiring contractors; design or printing costs; presenter fees; purchasing plants; purchasing safety gear etc.

How to apply?

Applicants must complete the Naturally Inspired Bite-sized grants [application form](#).

For further information or to discuss your project, please contact NRM South's Regional Landcare Facilitator (community) Ruth Osborne on rosborne@nrmsouth.org.au or 6221 6161.

What happens once an application is submitted?

Applications are assessed by a small committee with representatives from NRM South and other Volunteer Coordinators from external stakeholders.

Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application within 6 weeks of their application being received.

What are NRM South's Naturally Inspired Grants?

NRM South's Naturally Inspired Grants program provides small grant funding to community groups and not-for-profit organisations to enable them to undertake projects that deliver positive environmental change across the Southern Tasmanian NRM Region. This program has been funded through the Australian Government and particular grant priorities must be met. If you are seeking funds for \$2000-\$5000 please consider applying for the [Naturally Inspired Grants](#).

Can I apply for both grants?

Yes, groups are permitted to submit an application for Naturally Inspired Grants **as well as** an application for Naturally Inspired Bite-sized grants in the same financial year. However, only one successful application for Naturally Inspired Bite-sized grants is permitted per financial year.



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