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**Tasmanian Landcare Fund Round 21 Grant Application**

**Maintaining and building better soils**

Section 1: Checklist

**Part 1. Before you start**

This round will fund on ground projects involving change to current practices which will maintain and improve soil structure and health and address soil erosion in agricultural landscapes.

Please tick the boxes below prior to commencing your application. You need to meet all these requirements for funding.

**Check that you have available:**

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|  | Myself or my group is a current group member of Landcare Tasmania |
|  | I do not have overdue acquittals from previous funding from Landcare Tasmania |
|  | I have read the guidelines for this TLF Round 21 |
|  | I plan to complete the project within 2 years of commencement |
|  | I am willing for the project to be publicly promoted |
|  | I can demonstrate the technical soundness of the project (e.g. through your own expertise or having sought technical advice) |
|  | I am happy to provide access to the project for Landcare Tasmania to inspect the works and discuss progress |

**Check that you have available:**

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|  | A description of the project |
|  | A proposed project budget |
|  | A map or photos of the site |
|  | Insurance that covers you for the work to be undertaken |
|  | Consent of the landowner or manager |

If you cannot check off all the boxes above you may need to do some more work before completing the application. Our office can help, contact us on 03 6234 7117 or by email support@landcaretas.org.au

**Part 2. Your details**

1. I/we are applying as (only tick ONE box)

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|  | A Landcare Tasmania member group |
|  | An individual member of Landcare Tasmania |

Section 2: Contact information

2. Name of the person filling out the form:

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3. If a Landcare member group, what is the name of the group:

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4. Your contact details:

Mailing address:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Section 3: Tell us about your project

5. Give a brief title for your project:

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6. Tick the eligible activities below that your project will involve:

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| Adopting better livestock rotation systems to avoid overgrazing |  |
| Managing crop rotation to minimise depletion of soils and restore nutrients |  |
| Employing sensor technology that enables accurate monitoring of soil characteristics\* |  |
| Innovative soil erosion control techniques |  |
| Managing soil moisture and temperature |  |
| Trailing techniques for minimising the use of chemical fertilisers, pesticides, herbicides and fungicides\* |  |
| Establish and manage forage shrubs on marginal lands |  |
| Employing farming practises that replenish soils |  |
| Increasing soil carbon |  |
| New no till farming projects |  |
| Installation of stock water points to address erosion |  |
| Fencing\* |  |
| Strategic planting of native trees, shrubs and grasses |  |
| Establish and manage forage shrubs and marginal lands |  |
| Controlling weeds that compete with beneficial ground cover |  |

\* These activities are not eligible for funding on their own but may be eligible where linked to other activities and outcomes.

7. Tick the target outcomes your project aims to achieve (your project must tick at least one)

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| **Target outcome** |  |
| Maintenance of soil health |  |
| Maintenance and improvement of soil structure |  |
| Land and soils protected from erosion |  |
| Protection of north facing slopes |  |
| Restoration of soil nutirients |  |
| Improved soil carbon |  |
| Benefits to soil flora and fauna  |  |
| Reduced soil nutrient run off |  |

8. Please provide a description of the work to be undertaken:

Note: Try to describe the project in terms of the eligible activities and target outcomes.

9. What is the location of the project site(s). Please provide a street address or latitude and longitude coordinates of the project site. If there is more than one site please provide more than one address/data points.

11. Please confirm that Landcare Tasmania funds for your project will not be used for any of the following:

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|  | Projects on rivers and streams which attempt to remediate past flood damage |
|  | Business as usual projects that do not represent a practice change for your property/enterprise |
|  | Projects where TLF funds are to be used as a “devolved grant” |
|  | Projects where activities could be reasonably deemed to be the responsibility of the land owner will not be eligible (e.g. track construction/maintenance) |
|  | Amenity plantings with limited environmental benefits and outcomes |
|  | Administration costs unless there can be a clear demonstrable benefit for the project’s success |
|  | Capital items (for example sheds or other infrastructure items) |

Note: These may be included as in-kind contributions or funded from other sources.

12. Please describe how you will maintain the outcomes of the project:

Section 4: The Nitty Gritty

**Part 3. The nitty gritty**

13. Please provide a budget for your project below

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| Timing | Activity | Who does it? | Contractor involved? | Items & services purchased | TLF funds sought (ex. GST, max. $15k) | In kind contribution (labour @$33/hour) | Details of in-kind contribution |
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| ***Totals*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

14. Please tell us about any other funding sources that have been accessed for the site or project over the last 5 years

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| Source | Activity | Amount in $ | Has the activity been completed | Year activity completed |
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Section 5: Confirm and submit your application

 15. In making this application I confirm that:

The information I have provided is correct to the best of my knowledge

I can provide the following additional written information if requested:

* Consent of the landowner or manager for the project
* Evidence of insurance cover
* Contractor quotes
* Site safety risk assessment

Your application will be assessed by our Technical Assessment Panel.

If your project is shortlisted for funding, we will contact you for the additional information.

If your project is accepted you will be offered a funding agreement that sets out the terms and conditions for the provision and use of the funds.

**Unfortunately funds are limited and it is not always possible to fund all projects, so we appreciate you taking the time to complete the application.**

Submit your application and supporting documents:

* by email to tlf@landcaretas.org.au with the name of the person or group applying and “Rnd21 Application”
* by mail PO Box 4791 Bathurst St, Hobart TAS 7000
* In person by calling in advance 03 6234 7117 2nd floor 100 Elizabeth St, Hobart TAS 7000