



APPLICATION FORM

Break O'Day Council Drought Weeds Grant 2020



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Support for farmers to combat weeds during and after drought

Farmers in the Break O'Day 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*. The **Break O'Day Drought Weeds Project** will run over 2020-2021. It includes this offer of grants to farmers in Break O'Day impacted by drought to support targeted weed management of species that limit agricultural production.

Before filling out this form please be sure to

- read the *Municipal Drought Weeds Grants 2020 - Guidelines and Eligibility*
- contact the Drought Weeds Officer, Peter Heading (see below), to discuss your weed issues, solutions and the project you are seeking funding for.

Applications

Until the grant funds run out you can submit your application anytime to admin@bodc.tas.gov.au, or to the Break O'Day Council office at 32-34 Georges Bay Esplanade St Helens. Completed applications will be assessed in monthly batches and prioritised by a local assessment panel using the *Guidelines and Eligibility* document. Break O'Day Council will determine its grants, until all the available grant funds have been allocated.

Activity location and weeds

Any recognised weed/s advantaged by drought threatening agricultural production in Break O'Day may be the subject of funding support. They could be on the applicant's or another person's land and pose a threat from farmland or non-farmland. Some weeds not currently known in Break O'Day are also a serious threat should they arrive here (requiring biosecurity and planning measures or awareness raising activities to reduce the risk). Applications from groups of landholders for cooperative activities and projects are encouraged.

Project size

The Break O'Day Drought Weeds Project has \$30 000 available in total for grants. Projects needing any amount of funding support, large or small, are encouraged and will be considered on their merits. Projects using up to \$3000 of funding support are desirable.

Contacts

For questions or to discuss your application, please contact:

- Break O'Day Drought Weeds Officer, Peter Heading on pheading@nrmnorth.org.au, 0400 737 253 (Thursdays preferably).
- Or Break O'Day Council's NRM Facilitator, Polly Buchhorn, polly.buchhorn@bodc.tas.gov.au, 0459 678 200.

Use the Drought Weeds Project as an opportunity

Even if you are unsure if your project will succeed in getting funded, you are encouraged to still use the Break O'Day Drought Weeds Project as an opportunity to investigate your weed issues and management and plan future weed projects.

The Tasmanian Government's Weed Action Fund has opened its substantial *2nd round of Weed Action Fund Grants* in 2020 with a wider scope of eligibility and a small grants round to start. Contact NRM North, who are helping deliver the second round of WAF grants: phone 6333 7777 or nrmnorth.org.au.



PART A: Applicant, Property and Project background

Applicant name:	
Project Address:	
Project Property ID (PID)	
Applicant 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"/> or, Incorporated Public Association number:
Declaration	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>All the information I have provided in and with this application is true and complete.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>More than 50% of my gross income is from primary production and have evidence of being a primary producer.</i></p> <p>Name: _____ Date _____</p> <p>Signature: _____</p>

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



Title of the Project

Drought weed issues and impacts

What are the drought weed issues you intend to address? Check any boxes and add other comments/details.

Weeds favoured by drought

- ☐ gorse ☐ briar rose ☐ Spanish heath ☐ boxthorn ☐ brooms ☐ other woody
- ☐ Patersons curse ☐ Cape weed ☐ ragwort ☐ thistles (incl.
- ☐ other non-woody
- ☐ weeds you don't have or want to get

Comments:

Farm productivity impact and threats

- ☐ lost production during drought ☐ productivity threat post-drought
- ☐ while in drought, livestock and farm production had to take priority and weed management efforts were reduced
- ☐ increased weed growth/seeding ☐ reduced pasture/crop growth
- ☐ new weed incursion, or increased biosecurity threat
- ☐ post-drought, need extra resources to control 'rebounding' weed growth or recover progress lost
- ☐ good awareness, knowledge and skills to manage weeds over the long-term, including planning and strategy

Comments (summarise how your ability to manage weeds and/or farm production have been diminished by drought)



PART B: Project Details

Project Plan

Describe your project. For 'Aims/Design': what change in weed in extent, spread or risk do you need? What impact on farm production do you expect that will lead to? Think about the follow-up weed management required to get there now. Aims/Designs may have several activities, locations and methods.

Include the individual locations/activities on the Project Map and Budget (below). If possible, attach photographs of the activity sites and note them on the Project Map.

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Project Map

Attach or insert one or more maps with annotations showing farm/project area, activity locations and other relevant details. Include things like weed infestation and activity/treatment areas, farm infrastructure such as fencing, access and crops (existing or planned), values and assets such as nearby bush and wetland or waterway habitat, and other landowners nearby. This ListMap may useful as a base map: maps.thelist.tas.gov.au/listmap/app/list/map?bookmarkId=522507



Project Budget

Detail for each project activity (from project plan). Itemise tasks and items involved (e.g. works, equipment, materials etc.), noting costing rates used or contractor quotations, who undertakes the work and contributing source. Funding sought must not exceed 66% of total project costs. Applicant contributions can include cash and in-kind (materials, machine time, labour etc.) valued at reasonable rates and at the discretion of the assessment panel. Council accounts for GST and it must be included where applicable (a Tax Invoice is required to claim the funding).

Some drought weed management works by the applicant or project partner may be reimbursed, provided they are not day-to-day or required operational costs of a business. They must be itemised separately in the 'Funding sought' column and not exceed 50% of funding sought. Evidence, such as copies of machinery or labour time logs, must be collected and provided to substantiate such expenditure before it will be reimbursed.

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Subtotal of applicant work costs, for reimbursement		
Total (GST exclusive)		
Total GST applicable		
Total Project Values (GST inclusive)		



PART D: Best Practice

Pesticide use

Contractors undertaking spraying should hold a Commercial Operator's License 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 the registered label or an off-label permit covers the proposed use for the chemical.

☐ Yes ☐ No Will the project make use of pesticides?

Technical Advice

List sources technical information, knowledge, advice and guidance from others have you used to develop and plan your project. (EG. Drought Weeds officer, a licensed weed control contractor, agronomist, Weed Inspector, Biosecurity Tas., etc.)

Source (publication, name/org.)	Information/technical support gained

Follow-up weed management

How you maintain the weed management gains in the future? Mention relevant farm weed management, biosecurity or property management plans you have already.

Activity & location	Next season	Five year plan



PART E: Other Important Information

Property Ownership

Are there multiple owners of property/s where the proposed activities will occur?

Yes ☐ No ☐ If yes please provide a letter of consent from all the relevant landowners or land managers approving the proposed activities on their land. (Signed note or email from landholder.)

Public Assets, Values and Approvals

Are there public infrastructure, social, natural or cultural heritage values nearby? EG. wetlands and waterways, threatened flora, nearby residences and publicly accessible areas.

Yes ☐ No ☐ If Yes please show on Project map/s and provide details of how are you managing ways your project might affect any of them.

It is the landowner's responsibility to meet any legislative responsibilities for works on the property. Are there any works or planning approvals or permits needed for the activities?

Yes ☐ No ☐ If Yes please provide details.

Past Funding Projects

Do you have any NRM, Landcare, Weed Action Fund or similar grants projects current or not yet completed?

Yes ☐ No ☐ If yes, please provide a brief explanation, funding source and amount, completion status.