South Coast Incentives – Mountains to sea biodiversity corridors

What is it?
South East Local Land Services is offering grants to private and public land managers, community groups, primary producer groups and non-government organisations to implement best practice land and water management aimed at improving the condition of terrestrial, coastal, estuarine and riverine environments.

The program will support land managers and groups to:

1. Manage weeds impacting on native vegetation and endangered ecological communities (EEC’s).
2. Improve the condition of terrestrial and riverine vegetation.
3. Increase the connectivity of terrestrial, coastal, estuarine and riparian vegetation.

The program is funded through the New South Wales Government’s Catchment Action program.

Who is eligible to apply?
Landholders, land managers, community groups, primary producer groups and non-government organisations within the local government areas of Wollongong, Shellharbour, Kiama and Shoalhaven (see Figure 1).

Eligibility criteria
Land managers must meet the following criteria to be eligible for funding under this program.

1. Own or manage land, within the local government areas of Wollongong, Shellharbour, Kiama or Shoalhaven.
2. Terrestrial vegetation projects must be in areas covered by the Illawarra BIOmap, South East Local Land Services Catchment Action Plan or Shoalhaven corridor mapping.
3. Willing to enter into an agreement with South East Local Land Services.
4. No outstanding LOCAL LAND SERVICES projects or rates owing.

Groups will ONLY be eligible for funding if they are incorporated or sponsored by an appropriate organisation.

Eligible activities:

Project activities that may be funded can include, but are not restricted to:
- fencing and revegetation for improved connectivity and native vegetation enhancement
- riparian fencing and revegetation
- provision of alternative watering in conjunction with riparian fencing
- weed control where impacting on threatened species habitat or endangered ecological communities
- river and creek bank habitat improvement.

How to apply

1. Fill out and complete the expression of interest (EOI) form.
2. Return your application to the South East Local Land Services via the following:
   - Post to
     PO Box 63
     Berry NSW 2535
   - Return by email
     Send through your completed application form electronically to Jason.carson@lls.nsw.gov.au
   - In person
     Drop your completed application form into your local South East Local Land Services office.

Closing date for first round of EOIs is 5 pm 30 September 2019.
Late EOIs will not be accepted.
Partial EOI forms will not be accepted.

What happens next?

1. Site visits will be arranged as soon as your EOI is received and processed.
2. Project proposals will be developed in consultation with South East (South Coast) Local Land Services staff.
3. Final project proposals will be submitted to an assessment panel and reviewed against eligibility criteria and funding priorities.
4. Successful and unsuccessful applicants notified.
5. Service agreements prepared.

Who to contact

For more information contact Jason Carson on 4464 6022.
# Expression of Interest Form

## Applicant details sections marked with an * must be completed

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**Email:**

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Expression of Interest – Coastal Grants 2019-20
(An expression of interest (EOI) is not a guarantee of funding)

Eligibility to apply for funding in the 2019-20 program

- Own or manage property, within the local government areas of Wollongong, Shellharbour, Kiama, and Shoalhaven.
- Willing to enter into an agreement with South East Local Land Services.
- Group must be incorporated or sponsored.
- On-ground works previously funded by South East Local Land Services are all complete or have not previously received funds from the South East Local Land Services.

2019-20 Incentives available

The following incentives are being offered under the Mountains to Sea - Biodiversity Corridors Program 2019-2020. Please tick the incentives you are interested in.

- Fencing for improved connectivity and remnant native vegetation protection.
- Fencing and revegetation for improved connectivity and native vegetation enhancement.
- Riparian fencing and revegetation.
- Provision of alternative watering.
- Pest weed control where impacting on threatened species habitat or endangered ecological communities.

Both pages of the EOI must be completed.

Site visits will be arranged as soon as your EOI is received. Site visits must be completed by 31 January 2020 for the EOI to progress to the next stage.

Funding is limited and EOIs will be assessed on a competitive basis.

Signature of applicant: ____________________ Name: (print) ______________________________

Hand deliver, post, fax or scan and email the completed EOI form no later than 5 pm 30 September 2019 to your closest Local Land Services office or Jason.Carson@lls.nsw.gov.au