### **Factsheet**

Water and the Environment

### **Indigenous Fire and Land Management Workshops**

This grant opportunity supports Indigenous communities to share and strengthen knowledge of Indigenous fire and land management by delivering workshops across Australia

#### What does it offer?

This grant opportunity is available to Traditional Owners, Indigenous organisations and Indigenous enterprises only and will provide a total of \$2 million from 2020-21 to 2021-22 to:

- support Indigenous led knowledge sharing of Indigenous fire and land management practices
- strengthen the knowledge and understanding of traditional Indigenous fire and land management practices
- support Indigenous communities to benefit from traditional fire and land management knowledge.

#### How does it work?

Grants will be up to 100 per cent of eligible project expenditure.

- The minimum grant amount is \$20,000
- The maximum grant amount is \$200,000

This is a targeted competitive grant opportunity. You can only apply during the application period.

We will publish the opening and closing dates and grant opportunity guidelines, and sample application are available at <a href="mailto:business.gov.au">business.gov.au</a> and <a href="mailto:GrantConnect">GrantConnect</a>.

To be eligible your project must:

 deliver Indigenous led workshop/s that focus on sharing Indigenous knowledge of fire and land management

- include eligible activities and eligible expenditure
- partner with local Traditional Owners
- not duplicate existing work, but should demonstrate how the project builds on existing work and how its outcomes might support future projects
- have at least \$20,000 eligible expenditure
- be between 1-12 months in duration
- be completed by 1 April 2022.

# Are Indigenous organisations, land councils or incorporated associations eligible to apply?

Indigenous organisations and Indigenous enterprises that are incorporated entities are eligible to apply if they have an ABN and meet all other eligibility criteria.

Indigenous organisations and Indigenous enterprises that are unincorporated are not eligible to apply.

Land councils that have an ABN and are incorporated entities are eligible to apply.

Indigenous government agencies and councils with an ABN and are 51 per cent Indigenous controlled – meaning that their peak governance body (Board/Governing Council) is 51 per cent Indigenous – are eligible to apply.

Find definitions for Traditional Owners, Indigenous organisations and Indigenous enterprises in the Glossary in the grant opportunity guidelines.

## Are Traditional Owners without an ABN eligible to apply?

If you do not have an ABN, you are not eligible to apply.

You can partner with a Traditional Owner, Indigenous organisation or an Indigenous enterprise that is an eligible entity and has an ABN.

## What evidence do I provide as an incorporated entity?

You need to provide evidence of your incorporation or not for profit status. This might be your incorporated association registration number, constitutional documents that outline your incorporation status or legislation that demonstrates your incorporation status.

If you are registered with the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) you can provide your certificate of registration under the *CATSI Act* or relevant pages from your rule book that indicates you are registered under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006.* 

You may be incorporated under your State or Territory Associations Act or directly under the *Corporations Act 2001*. You can provide the certificate of registration or relevant pages from your constitutional documents.

#### Can fire be used in the workshop?

Fire can only be used for small on ground demonstration activities as part of the workshop. This grant opportunity will not support landscape burning activities.

# How do I know who the Traditional Owners are in my chosen workshop location?

You will need to engage and collaborate with local Traditional Owners and demonstrate this in your application. You may find it useful to refer to the map of Registered Native Title Bodies Corporate Areas (RNTBC) or the map of Representative Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander Body areas (RATSIB).

### Can the grant be used to fund a smaller portion of a larger project?

Yes

You can frame your application in one of two ways:

- Option 1: including the full project in the application, describing how the smaller project fits within the larger project, and demonstrating how the grant will be used. You should indicate how the larger project will be funded in the contributions section of the application form, or
- Option 2: restricting your application to the activities that you intend to seek grant funding for through this program. You should indicate that the project is part of a larger project, but you do not need to explain the larger project in detail throughout the application.

## What risks and mitigation strategies could be applicable for my project?

#### Fire demonstration activities

- appropriate license and training/competency for user
- use of appropriate personal protective equipment
- appropriate engagement and communication strategies in place (including permissions and public signage)

### Exposure to severe weather events (e.g. bushfire, flood, storms, extreme heat)

- use of appropriate personal protective equipment
- constantly monitor weather forecasts and warnings in the area
- not allow smoking onsite
- ensure all participants are aware of emergency plan and assembly point
- ensure adequate drinking water for all participants available on site

#### Injury to participants

- project designed to ensure participants' health and safety
- use of appropriate personal protective equipment

#### **Project Management**

- clear and achievable milestones and timeframes
- clear communication with stakeholders and participants
- appropriate budget for activities

## Can I provide extra information to support my application?

Only attach the documents that are requested. Other documents will not be considered. All information related to your project and supporting evidence should be written in your application form.

### How do I improve my chances of being successful?

- Complete the application in full. Answer all of the questions and use the character limits available to tell your story.
- Tell us your story. What does your project look like? How will you collaborate with others? What outcomes do you hope to achieve?
- Address each question in the assessment criteria, referring to evidence and relevant experience where necessary.

### How do I apply?

You should read the <u>grant opportunity</u> <u>guidelines</u> and the sample application before you apply.

To apply you must:

- complete the application form in the <u>online</u> portal
- address all eligibility and assessment criteria
- include all necessary attachments listed in the guidelines
- submit your application by the closing date.

#### **Need more information?**

For more information, visit <u>business.gov.au</u> or call 13 28 46.