

Southern Forests Infrastructure Support Scheme

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Overview

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About the Southern Forests Infrastructure Support Scheme

The Southern Forests Infrastructure Support Scheme (SFISS) aims to support horticultural producers in the Warren-Donnelly region to be better prepared to meet the prospect of reduced water availability due to the impacts of climate change. The Scheme will be open to eligible landowners to construct suitable infrastructure on their property that will provide better water security and improve sustainability.

To apply, please complete and submit your application by **1:00pm (AWST), Thursday, 11 July 2024**.

Incomplete applications and/or applications received after the closing date will not be considered.

Applications can only be submitted online via this SmartyGrants portal and applications will not be accepted by email or post.

Applicants: Please note

Please read the Southern Forests Infrastructure Support Scheme Guidelines before completing this application. Please click [here](#) for Guidelines.

It is important that you confirm your eligibility before completing the application. For queries about this application please email sfiss@dpird.wa.gov.au

Several questions have a word limit that you need to adhere to. If you exceed this word limit you will be unable to submit your application.

ELIGIBILITY

In order for your application to be assessed you must confirm the following. If you are unsure of any of the statements, please refer to the Guidelines or contact us via email: sfiss@dpird.wa.gov.au

I confirm that:

- I am a commercial horticultural producer (land owner or lessee) in the Warren-Donnelly region
- my business currently makes a minimum annual gross turnover of \$100,000 or equivalent (refer to Section 3.2 in Guidelines)
- I will meet the cash co-contribution requirements of 50 percent of the total cost of the amount sought (excluding GST) on this application and any additional costs that exceed the maximum value of Scheme
- I have read and understand the Guidelines
- I am able to demonstrate alignment between the project and the aims of this Scheme.

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Please confirm that all statements above are true and correct *

Yes

Please upload any relevant attachments to support the above statements, if applicable

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Privacy Statement

Information provided by applicants or collected by DPIRD in relation to an applicant or their proposal may be used in the administration of this Scheme and in the assessment of this application.

Any information provided (personal, financial or otherwise) will be solely used for the purpose of this Scheme.

DPIRD will store personal information collected in this application, supporting documentation and any Scheme administration, monitoring and evaluation activities in compliance with its obligations under the [Privacy Act 1988](#) (Cth).

DPIRD is subject to the [Freedom of Information Act 1992](#) (WA), which provides a general right of access to records held by the State Government agencies and local governments

I have read and understood the privacy statement and I consent to and authorise such uses and disclosures. *

Yes

Applicant's Details

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Organisation Name *

Organisation Name

Name of Entity as listed in official documentation such as ABR, ACNC or ATO

Trading name of your business

If different from the business entity name as per ABN.

Applicant organisation ABN *

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register
ABN
Entity name

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ABN status
Entity type
Goods & Services Tax (GST)
DGR Endorsed
ATO Charity Type More information
ACNC Registration
Tax Concessions
Main business location

Must be an ABN.

Applicant main contact *

First Name	Last Name
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Address of the area where the proposed activity will be undertaken *

Address

Property should be located in the Warren-Donnelly region. Please refer to Figure 1 in the Scheme Guidelines.

Applicant Postal Address

Address

If different to the above

Applicant Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Applicant Email Address *

Must be an email address.

Applicant Website

Must be a URL.

Applicant Bank Account *

Account Name

BSB Number Account Number

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Must be a valid Australian bank account format.

Have you or do you intend to submit multiple applications for different properties?

Yes No

Please note that multiple applications will be assessed but only one will be selected for Ministerial approval if all selection criteria are met.

If multiple applications have been submitted please provide SmartyGrants reference numbers

If applications are not yet submitted please provide the address of the other properties that applications will be submitted for

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Project details

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1. In 300 words or less describe the proposed activity, include details of how your proposal will improve water security and any other benefits that your proposed activity will have. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

2. As outlined in Guidelines Section 2.4, successful applicants will receive funding in one final payment at the end of the project. If you wish to add one additional milestone payment, please provide due justification for your request.

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

Requesting an additional milestone will not influence the review of your application.

3. What is the amount of funding requested? *

\$

Must be a dollar amount.

What is the financial support you are requesting from DPIRD in this application?

4. Which funding category does your requested funding amount sit in? *

Under \$20,000

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- 20,001 - \$50,000
- \$50,001 - \$100,000

This refers to the funding you are requesting from DPIRD only, not the total project amount.

Project details - under \$20,000

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Must be a number.

2. How much water do you believe you need for ongoing water security per annum (in megalitres)? *

Must be a number.

3. Please fill in the following table to describe your current crops

Type of crop(s) grown	Area (hectares)
Please fill in the table with information on your water use, crops and how much water you think you need to run your enterprise in a sustainable way. This is not meant to be prescriptive but rather provide the assessor on the typical volumes and nature of use.	Whole numbers Must be a number.

4. How will the project improve water security or sustainability? Please tick which of the following your project will address (there may be more than one): *

- Improve yields
- Assist to determine the best time to schedule irrigation (start, stop, how much)
- Lower the energy to deliver water to target
- Improve compliance with a water budget
- Lower crop water demand
- Reduce water losses on farm
- Improve water quality
- Improve water security or sustainability in any other way

This question is asked to determine how your project might increase water security or sustainability on your farm. Note that not all areas need to be ticked off, only the ones relevant to your project.

5. Describe how your project will improve water security or sustainability? *

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Must be no more than 200 words.

Do you have an estimation of benefit such as water savings per year, energy savings avoided CO2 emissions etc.

6. How will this funding accelerate the development of the proposed infrastructure on your farm compared to no financial assistance? *

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This question relates to how financial assistance will accelerate the development of the proposed infrastructure on your farm. For example, would the project go ahead without assistance, or would the project be brought forward in time with the provision of assistance? This will help build the case why government co-investment is needed.

7. Are there any permits or regulatory approvals required for your project and, if so, have they been obtained?

Must be no more than 200 words.

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Please upload approvals if applicable

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Project details - \$20,001 to \$50,000

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8. Apart from improving water security, please describe any other environmental, social or community benefits of your project? *

Word count:

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Your project may have benefits beyond water security, for example, benefits for species habitats, biodiversity or social and community benefits.

9. Please explain how the proposed project can be delivered on time and on budget? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

Are you able to provide quotes or plans from suppliers or installers that can support the feasibility of your project? How will you assure DPIRD that you will be able to complete the installation within a reasonable timeframe?

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Project details - \$50,001 to \$100,000

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10. Please describe any anticipated risks for this project, and how will they be managed in the table below.

Type of risk	Likelihood of occurring	Potential impact	Management action
Please outline potential risks to this project. Must be no more than 100 words.	What is the likelihood they will occur (choose from almost certain, likely, possible, unlikely, very unlikely)?	What is the potential impact of these risks (choose from insignificant, minor, moderate, major, catastrophic)?	How would you manage those risks?

11. What is the estimated lifespan of the proposed infrastructure and how will it be maintained during its life? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

The Government's preference is for infrastructure to be of a high standard and well-maintained into the future. Please provide any indicative operating and maintenance requirements that may apply.

12. Please describe any proven, innovative or novel aspects to your project that are of regional significance? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

Government is interested in projects that provide maximum regional benefit. While benefits must be able to be demonstrated, novel or innovative approaches are also encouraged.

Project Delivery and Budget

Project funding

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Please provide a breakdown of infrastructure expenditure items. All amounts should be GST exclusive.

Please note the indicative budget refers to funding requested on **Question 3, Page 3** (DPIRD funding amount requested) and the applicant's cash co-contribution.

Please refer to Sections 2.5 and 2.6 in the **Guidelines** prior to completing this section.

Infrastructure Expenditure Items	Indicative budget (Ex GST)
	Must be a dollar amount.
	\$

Total Project Budget

This section is **AUTO CALCULATED** from the above table.

Total project budget

This number/amount is calculated.

Application Checklist

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Declaration

This section must be completed by an appropriately authorised person on behalf of the applicant organisation.

- I certify that to the best of my knowledge the statements made within this application are true and correct, and I understand that if successful, the organisation will be required to accept the terms and conditions of the Scheme as outlined in the Letter of Offer.
- I do hereby declare that the information supplied in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate and complete. I have read and accept the requirements of the Guidelines, and agree to notify DPIRD of any change of circumstances that may affect this application.

Please confirm that all statements above are true and correct *

Yes

Name of Authorised Person *

The person who has the legal authority to sign the Letter of Offer if this application is successful

Position/Title *

Eg: CEO, Managing Director, Chairperson, etc

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Dated *

Must be a date.

Once this application form is submitted through SmartyGrants it will be formally acknowledged as an executed and signed document.

Supporting documentation (Optional)

You may attach any further documents to support your application here

Attach a file:

A maximum of 3 files may be attached.

Please ensure your supporting documentation is limited to a maximum of 20 pages or less for each attachment.

Submit your application

You will receive an email to confirm your submission has been received. If you do not receive an email please check your junk email folder. Please keep a record of your submission number.

To view your submission at any time, please go to the [SmartyGrants login page](#), enter your email address and password then click Log In.

Once you are logged in click on the My Submissions link near the top of the page.

NOTE: You can download a PDF of your application prior to submission.

Click NEXT PAGE to Submit your application and you will receive a confirmation email.