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FOR NATURE LANDOWNER STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

Nature Conservation Margaret River Region's For Nature Landowner Stewardship Program is engaging urban and rural landowners across the region to assist with conservation action.

Whether you have a small suburban backyard, a bush block or a larger rural property, this exciting, practical, hands-on program is designed to give property owners the inspiration, knowledge and connections to help conserve and enhance nature. This is increasingly important as 70% of land in the region is privately owned so we need everybody's help to protect and restore biodiversity.

For more information visit www.natureconservation.org.au/for-nature/

COST SHARING FOR CONSERVATION ACTION AND BIODIVERSITY PLANNING

To help landowners achieve conservation outcomes, Nature Conservation Margaret River Region has secured 3 year funding support from the WA Government's State NRM Community Stewardship Program along with Environmental Stewardship Funding from the Augusta Margaret River Shire.

Landowners are invited to submit an expression of interest for biodiversity planning or on ground conservation action they wish to undertake on their properties for consideration by the For Nature team.

Financial support will be provided on a cost share basis only. Landowners will be required to provide 50% of the cost of all planning and on ground activities. Landowner contributions can be in kind or cash contributions or a combination of both. Landowners will also be required to sign a management agreement detailing funded activities, cost sharing commitments and ongoing management responsibilities.

Due to limited funding, applications that focus on protection and enhancing high value, good quality vegetation and protection of waterways in excellent to good condition will be a priority for funding support.

Landowners wishing to submit an expression of interest should read the details of activities supported by For Nature below and complete the expression of interest form by the closing date **30th June 2021**

If you wish to discuss your activities priority to submitting your expression of interest please contact our For Nature Program Officer, Peta Lierich on 9757 2202 or peta.lierich@natureconservation.org.au

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

Biodiversity Planning assists landowners to understand the values, threats and conservation management activities needed on their properties.

Plans may include a high-level assessment of biodiversity values providing guidance for overall long-term conservation outcomes; OR more detailed planning focusing on particular conservation issues to achieve a specific outcomes eg. Mapping and advice for controlling a particular weed, or dieback assessment and control advice.

On ground Conservation Action includes a range of activities aimed at protecting or enhancing the conservation value of your property. Specifically, For Nature will support:

- Stock exclusion fencing to protect existing good quality remnant vegetation including upland vegetation and along waterways.
- Control of high priority invasive environmental weeds identified in the Capes Regional Environmental Weed Strategy 2015 and including asparagus fern, African feathergrass, Geraldton carnation weed, broom, weedy wattles, dolichos pea, edible fig, Victorian tea tree, sweet pittosporum, blackberry, watsonia and arum lily.
- Revegetation with local natives to enhance biodiversity and protect waterways.
- Dieback management activities to protect biodiversity.

INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

Revegetation in 2021 planting season – Due to the timing of the 2021 funding round revegetation activities proposed in the 2021 planting season cannot be supported. Expressions of interest for the 2022 planting season will however be considered.

Feral animal control - Due to the inexpensive nature of feral animal control these activities will not be supported by For Nature. Advice and support for best practice control and procedures for licensing can be accessed through the For Nature Information Sheet Series and will be provided to interested landowners through program workshops.

Activities previously required - On ground conservation action required as a condition of subdivision or development approval will not be eligible for funding support through For Nature.

Revegetation with non-native species – Revegetation with species other than local native species will not be will not be eligible for funding support through For Nature.

SUBMITTING YOUR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Please download and complete the Expression of Interest Form. If you require assistance to complete the form please contact For Nature Program Officer, Peta Lierich on 9757 2202 or peta.lierich@natureconservation.org.au

Expression of Interest should be returned by **30th June 2019** by email to Peta peta.lierich@natureconservation.org.au or by mail to:

Nature Conservation Margaret River Region
PO Box 1749
Margaret River WA 6285

The For Nature Team will be in contact to let you know if your project can be supported and to further develop project details.



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**For Nature Landowner Stewardship Program
Expression of Interest for Biodiversity Planning or Conservation Action Support**

Your Contact Details	
Name:	
Contact Number/s:	
Property Address (please include lot number if known)	
Suburb:	
Postal Address (if same as above, please indicate)	
E-mail	

- What are you applying for?
 Biodiversity planning (question 6, 7 & 8 are not applicable)
 On ground conservation work
- Approximate size of property (hectares).
- Do you have remnant vegetation? If so, what is the approximate area of native vegetation (hectares).
- Provide details of your understanding of the current environmental issues on the property
- Provide details of current environmental activities being undertaken (if any) to improve conservation values.

6. What on-ground conservation activities are you proposing to undertake?

- Weed control (please specify species you want to control)
- Stock exclusion fencing
- Revegetation with local native species
- Dieback management activities
- Other (please specify)

7. Please provide details of proposed conservation activities (type of weed, area to be fenced, river/stream/wetland or remnant revegetation etc.)

8. What are the estimated costs of these proposed activities? And what cash or in-kind contribution are you prepared to make?

9. What type of biodiversity plan are you interested in?

- High level assessment of overall biodiversity values
- Biodiversity planning for focused conservation issue (provide details of issue)

Name of Applicant:

Signature:

Date: