

ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT CONTESTABLE FUND APPLICATION FORM 2024

Applications open: 28 March 2024

Applications close: 1 May 2024

OVERVIEW / BACKGROUND

ABOUT US

Biodiversity Hawke's Bay is a regional community-led 'for purpose' organisation established to work with, and on behalf of, the community to deliver on the objectives of the *Hawke's Bay Biodiversity Strategy 2015-2050*. For more information visit www.biodiversityhb.org

ABOUT THESE GRANTS

Annually, we offer a small number of grants to individuals and organisations in Hawke's Bay to support projects that advance one or both of our two key goals:

1. **Biodiversity and Ecosystem Restoration:** These projects work to sustain, protect, and improve populations of native species, their habitats, and the ecosystem services they provide
2. **Growing the Biodiversity Communities in Hawke's Bay:** These projects actively connect our community through education, engagement, and collaborating in environmental restoration.

GRANT CATEGORIES

Support will be considered at one of two levels:

- **\$1,000-3,000** to support smaller or early-stage projects
(Please complete Sections A and C below)
- **\$3,001-15,000** to support larger or more established projects
(Please complete all sections below: A, B and C)

ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

Projects will be evaluated based on their likelihood of success in achieving one or more goals that advance the purposes of the *Hawke's Bay Biodiversity Strategy 2015-2050* and HBRC's Strategic Plan 2020 - 2025. Priority will be given to those applications with high biodiversity value, and those that engage or educate communities in biodiversity restoration, which may include management, protection, and information.

1. **Biodiversity and Ecosystem Restoration:**
 - Protect and/or enhance indigenous ecosystems including but not limited to threatened ecosystem sites as identified by HBRC Ecosystem Prioritisation system, and /or
 - Protect and/or enhance a threatened or naturally uncommon ecosystem type, and /or
 - Supports a threatened or at-risk species (as per the DOC classification system), and /or
 - Supports taonga sites or species.
2. **Growing the Biodiversity Communities in Hawke's Bay:**
 - Creating opportunities for meaningful engagement or environmental education that motivates a community on an ongoing basis, and /or
 - Working in partnership with local mana whenua recognising their role as kaitiaki of indigenous biodiversity and building knowledge of mātauranga Māori and/or
 - Supports and promotes social connectivity and partnerships of environmental projects, and/or
 - Provides opportunities for extending knowledge of biodiversity values or management techniques.

Supporting Considerations

Other factors considered when evaluating applications:

- Techniques and proposal are well researched, and
- Risks have been considered and mitigated, and
- Project is ready to begin within 12 months, and
- Project management plans including timeframes, key milestones and how the project will be maintained for the long term will be in place before project begins, and
- Co-funding is ideally secured, which can include support in kind, and
- For major biodiversity restoration projects, the site is or will be legally protected, or steps are being taken to ensure long-term maintenance of the benefits to be achieved by the grant.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information or assistance please contact:

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SECTION A

APPLICANT DETAILS

Name of applicant:

Name of group / organisation:

Address:

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Email:

Phone:

FUND CATEGORY

Please tick which grant category you are applying for:

- \$1,000-3,000; to support smaller or early-stage projects
(Please complete Sections A and C of this application form)
- \$3,001-15,000 to support larger or more established projects
(Please complete all sections of the application form: A, B and C)

PROJECT DETAILS

Project name:

Project location:

(please attach a map)

Landowner

Who is the landowner, and do you have permission to work on the land?
e.g. private land, council land, DoC land etc

Project purpose:
(One sentence)

Project description: What are you planning to do? At what location? Who is involved (include any partnerships)? What are the benefits of doing the project?

SECTION B

For requests of between \$3,001-15,000, please provide more information by completing the next six questions.

Does your project protect or enhance local biodiversity and / or ecosystems and if so, please describe how?

Does your project engage or educate communities in biodiversity restoration and if so, please describe how?

Have you engaged with local mana whenua and if so, please describe how?

Are you collaborating (working with) with other organisations in your project area? If so, please describe.

Describe how the project will be maintained for future generations?

For large biodiversity projects, is the site legally protected or are steps being taken to do so? e.g. QEII

SECTION C

For all requests, please complete the following.

PROJECT TIMINGS

Estimated start date:

Estimated end date:

PROJECT BUDGET

Please provide a budget for the project. Budget template example below:

Description of expense	Quantity	Unit cost (\$)	Total cost (excl. GST)
Total projects costs			\$
GST			\$
Total project cost including GST			\$

Total funding sought \$ _____

Has other funding been sought or obtained for the project? If so, please provide details.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

I/We agree to the terms and conditions of the Environmental Enhancement Contestable Fund.
 I/We agree that Biodiversity Hawke’s Bay will not be held liable for any false or misleading information supplied.
 I/We agree that if funds have been misappropriated, Biodiversity Hawke’s Bay has the right to request a full refund of any grant funding paid.
 I/We agree to provide any additional information to Biodiversity Hawke’s Bay to enable the application fund to be processed.

Full Name of Applicant:

Signature of applicant:

Date:

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