



Revegetation of Natural Areas Grant Information Booklet

What is the Revegetation of Natural Areas Grant?

The Revegetation of Natural Areas grant program provides to establish revegetation of natural areas to improve the native habitat and contribute to the enhancement of the Cairns natural area and biodiversity.

Cairns Regional Council recognises the importance of working together with our community to achieve an environmentally sustainable future. The Revegetation of Natural Areas grant aims to achieve environmental outcomes with an opportunity to undertake on-ground activities to rehabilitate degraded landscapes, protect and improve habitat/biodiversity and improve the climate resilience of the Cairns natural environment.

Grant details

This grant provides assistance through cash. The minimum amount is \$5,000 and the maximum amount per application is \$20,000 (ex GST).

Funding rounds

When	What
Early May	Round opens for Applications
End of June	Round closes
Early October	Applicants are notified
Early November	All grant agreements have been finalised

Contacting Council is essential

It is essential that your application is discussed with Council officers prior to submission.

Please contact a member of the Natural Assets Management team to discuss your revegetation project. Phone **1300 692 247** or email revegetation.grants@cairns.qld.gov.au

Draft applications are encouraged and will be accepted no later than two weeks prior to the closing date of the grant round.

Who can apply for assistance?

Applicants must be a registered not-for-profit organisation.

A not-for-profit is defined as any association, club, state, or national organisation, that holds incorporated status under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981* or is a company limited by guarantee under the 2001 Corporations Act and does not operate for the profit or gain (either direct or indirect) of its individual members either from ongoing operations or on its winding up.

To be eligible applicants must not:

- Have outstanding Council grants that have not been acquitted within required timeframe or grants that have previously not been satisfactorily acquitted.
- Be a political party or discriminatory group.
- Be a school, university, or TAFE college.
- Be an individual.

What you can't apply for

- Support for a program, event or activity that has already occurred.
- Support for seasonal or regular bookings of Council managed facilities.
- Programs, events or activities that are the subject of litigation.



- Usual business operating expenses.
- Programs that duplicate existing services or programs.
- Programs with a sole religious or political purpose.
- Programs, events or activities outside the boundaries of Cairns Regional Council.
- Gifts.
- Prize money.
- Alcohol and tobacco products.

What happens next?

All applications will be assessed by a panel of Council officers. Decisions will be made by the full Council unless delegated.

You will receive notification if your grant application has been successful as soon as possible. If you are successful, then you will receive a funding agreement which confirms details of the revegetation project that will be funded as well as details on when funding will be received and reporting requirements.

After your revegetation project

Once your revegetation project has occurred you may be required to attend a debrief with a Council officer. This is a great opportunity to discuss the success of your project and ensure that you have the correct information to complete your post-project report.

Post-project reports are called Acquittals. They provide Council with the opportunity to evaluate your project as well as provide proof of the expenditure of Council funding (provide receipts). Acquittals are usually required to be submitted to Council within two months of your project completion.

Questions? Contact us

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Information to assist with your application and Revegetation Management Plan

Cairns Regional Council's Revegetation of Natural Areas grant supports projects that:

- Protect or enhance native vegetation cover.
- Protect or enhance native species habitat.
- Improve ecosystem resilience.
- Reduce threats to biodiversity.
- Reduce disaster risk such as wildfire or storm tide inundation.

Plants used for revegetation must be locally native and appropriate to the vegetation type of the area being revegetated. You will be required to provide a plant species list for approval in the application.

A successful revegetation project needs to be well planned and timed. It is essential to consider elements such as flooding, seasonal rainfall, undesirable vegetation management and availability of suitable tube stock.

Applications should include details of the intended methodology and techniques used throughout the process. For example, x number of tube stock will be planted x meters apart with follow-up weeding at x intervals for x period of time.

Considering the methodology and process will assist with time and budget planning. An estimate of the size of the area to be revegetated must be included in the application. Council has provided a detailed list of suitable and available areas – with the methodology planned for your ease to select a revegetation project.

To assist with your Revegetation Management Plan please refer to the following documents:

- Wet Tropics Repairing the Rainforest <https://www.wettropics.gov.au/repairing-the-rainforest.html>.
- Attachment 1 for the recommended plant species list.
- Attachment 2 for suggested natural area revegetation projects in the Cairns LGA.

Budget and Quotes

A detailed and realistic budget must be provided at the time of your application. The budget must identify each individual item or service and the provider, unit cost and total cost of each item of service. Your budget is an important part of the application and must be complete, realistic and offer value. Detailed quotes for any materials, proposed use of contractors over \$5,000 require two quotes and must be attached to the application.

Locations Maps

A map with the proposed project clearly defined must be included with the application. It should show the proposed location and extent of the project.

Contractors

Contractors engaged for revegetation of natural areas must hold appropriate industry related qualifications and have demonstrated experience in the land management. Preference should be given to local contractors.

Key Performance Indicators

A successful planting project would be in line with:

- A majority survival of 60% of trees through the one or two maintenance periods or majority survival to establishment of tree canopy, shading out competing undesirable or pest species.
- A significant majority 60% survival rate of trees established/surviving through dry seasons (winter to early wet season) with project timeframes.
- Site maintenance is for the period of the project to achieve self-sustaining vegetation, considered as



canopy establishment.

Recipient will comply with all relevant laws, notices, orders, local laws, regulations, requirements or requisitions of any government department or agency.

Reporting and Acquittal

Progress reporting will depend on scope and duration of the project, usually every 12 months.

The Acquittal Report will include a reconciled statement of income and expenditure associated with the grant. It will ask to provide details on the outcomes of the revegetation project, and you will be required to attach:

1. Evidence of how Cairns Regional Council support for the project was recognised.
2. An actual income and expenditure budget for the project, including proof of purchase invoice and/or receipts for all services and materials paid for using the funding.
3. Photo evidence that showcases community participation and completed project.

Change of Scope

To ensure all projects are completed in a timely manner and acquittals are submitted on time, we allow applicants the ability to alter or change their projects if it is deemed impractical to complete the original project or due to unforeseen circumstances, you may be eligible to apply for a change of scope.

- A change of scope will only be considered after consulting with appropriate Council officer regarding
- The applicant will be required to fill out a “change of scope” form. This form is only available to Individuals after consulting with a Council officer.
- Reasons a change of scope may be applicable include:
 - Site conditions have been unfavourable for an extended period, e.g., excessive rain or dry.
 - Personal injury that limits ability to complete works; or
 - Loss in the family.
- Reasons a change of scope may not be approved:
 - Poor time management.
 - Funds were spent on unapproved items or activities; or
 - If the new project does not meet the mandatory eligibility criteria.
- Change of scopes will utilise the original financial allocation. Council will not award additional funds for the new project and any change in scope will utilise pre-approved funds.
- The change of scope form requires the same detail as the original grant application form. i.e., quotes for all items \$200.00 and over, diagrams/maps, photos, etc.
- Assessments will take up to 10 working days.









Attachment 1 - Recommended Plant Species

Stratford Council Nursery Plant List - subject to availability. Available in 200mm, 300mm & 400mm. Tube stock is available at \$2.00 per tube.

Acacia mangium	Dianella caerulea	Lagerstromia speciosa Burgundy	Syzygium bamagense
Acacia simsii	Dillenia alata	Lagerstromia speciosa	Syzygium fibrosum
Acrostichum speciosum	Diploglottis bernieana	Leea indica	Syzygium forte spp potamophilum
Adenanthera pavonina	Diploglottis diphylostegia	Lomandra hystrix	Syzygium forte ssp forte
Aglaiia sapindina	Diploglottis harpuilloides	Lophostemon suaveolens	Syzygium luehmannii
Aleurites rockinghamensis	Diploglottis smithii	Macaranga tanarius	Syzygium malaccense
Alocasia brisbanensis	Dodonaea polyandra	Mallotus philippensis	Syzygium pseudofastigiatum
Alphitonia excelsa	Dysoxylum alliaceum	Mallotus polyadenos	Syzygium tierneyanum
Alpina caerulea	Dysoxylum gaudichaudianum	Maniltoa lenticellata	Syzygium wilsonii
Alstonia muellerii	Dysoxylum mollissimum	Melaleuca leucadendra	Syzygium xerampelinum
Archidendron lucyi	Dysoxylum pettigrewianum	Melaleuca viminalis	Tabebuia palmerii
Archontophoenix alexandrae	Elaeocarpus bancroftii	Melia azedarach	Tabernaemontana orientalis
Aristolochia acuminata	Elaeocarpus grandis	Melicope elleryana	Terminalia arenicola
Athertonia diversifolia	Endiandra longipedicellata	Melicope rubra	Terminalia catappa
Atractocarpus fitzalanii	Erythrina vespertilio	Micromelum minutum	Terminalia muellerii
Barringtonia acutangula	Eugenia reinwardtiana	Milletta pinnata	Terminalia sericocarpa
Barringtonia asiatica	Eustrephus latifolius	Mimusops elengi	Thespesia populneooides
Barringtonia calyptata	Ficus albipila	Mischocarpus exangulatus	Toechima daemelianum
Beilschmiedia recurva	Ficus benjamina	Molineria capitulata	Toona ciliata
Bombax ceiba	Ficus congesta	Morinda citrifolia	Trema orientalis
Brachychiton acerifolius	Ficus drupacea	Musa banksii	Tristaniopsis exiliflora
Breynia cernua	Ficus fraseri	Myristica insipida	Viola hederaceae
Calophyllum inophyllum	Ficus hispida	Nauclera orientalis	Westringia 'Wynyabbie Gem'
Cananga odorata	Ficus microcarpa	Ormosia ormondii	Xanthostemon chrysanthus
Carallia brachiata	Ficus obliqua	Palaquium galactoxylon	Ximenia americana
Cassia queenslandica	Ficus opposita	Pandanus solmslaubachii	Xylocarpus granatum
Castanospermum australe	Ficus pleurocarpa	Parachidendron pruinosum	
Castanospora alphanthii	Ficus racemosa	Paraserianthes toona	
Casuarina equisetifolia	Ficus virgata	Peltophorum pterocarpum	
Cerbera floribunda	Flacourtia Cape Plum	Phaleria clerodendron	
Chionanthus ramiflora	Flindersia brayleyana	Phyllanthus cuscutiflorus	
Cleistanthus apodus	Flindersia iffliana	Pipturus argenteus	
Coccoloba uvifera	Gahnia sieberiana	Pittosporum ferrugineum	
Colubrina asiatica	Gardenia Glennie River	Planchonella myrsinodendron	
Cordia sebestena	Glochidion harveyanum	Planchonina careya	
Cordyline cannifolia	Glochidion phillipicum	Pleiogynium timorensis	
Cordyline manners-suttonia	Grevillea baileyana	Podocarpus despermus	
Crinum pedunculatum	Grevillea hilliana	Podocarpus grayae	
Cryptocarya hypospodia	Guioa acutifolia	Polyscias australiana	
Cryptocarya laevigata	Gustavia superba	Premna serratifolia	
Cryptocarya mackinnoniana	Haemodorum coccineum	Ptychosperma elegans	
Cryptocarya triplinervis	Harpullia arborea	Rhus taitensis	
Cupaniopsis anacardioides	Harpullia ramiflora	Rubus probus	
Cupaniopsis flagelliformis	Hibbertia scandens	Scaevola taccada	
Cycas media	Hibiscus tiliaceus	Scolopia braunii	
Cynometra iripa	Hippieastrum puniceum	Sophora tomentosa	
Cyperus javanicus	Homalanthus novoguineensis	Stenocarpus sinuatus	
Darlingia darlingiana	Hydriastele wendlandiana	Sterculia quadrifida	
Davidsonia pruiens	Hypolytrum nemorum	Syzygium alliligneum	
Deplanchea tetraphylla	Ipomea pes-caprae	Syzygium australe	
Dianella bambusifolia	Lagerstroemia archeriana	Syzygium angophoroides	



Attachment 2. Suggested Revegetation Projects *** exact location and plot provided on request*

<p>#4 Creek Timberlea – 683 trees Templar Crescent, Bentley Park Timberlea Google Maps</p>	
<p>Blackfellows Creek – 1000 trees Walker Road, Edmonton Rehab infill – various creek sections behind school Blackfellows Creek Google Maps</p>	
<p>Buchans Point – 500 trees Colonel Cummings Drive, Ellis Beach Potential Infill Planting (and grass replacement) Buchans Point Google Maps</p>	
<p>Pughs Creek – 700 trees Greer Road, Mirriwinni Greer Road Google Maps</p>	
<p>Goldsborough Riverside – 500 trees Goldsborough Road, Goldsborough Siam Paddock infill Siam Paddock Google Maps</p>	
<p>Parks Central- Cambonora – 479 trees 9 Richmond Court, Mooroolbool 9 Richmond Ct - Google Maps</p>	
<p>McKinnon Creek – 317 trees Del Manso Crescent, Edmonton Section 1 Google Maps Section 2 Google Maps</p>	