



Grant Application Form

The H₂O - *Hills to Ocean* Grants scheme is intended to encourage activities that will benefit either the quality of water within the drinking water catchment zones or environment more broadly across South Gippsland Water's service region.

H₂O grants are available for up to \$500, subject to the conditions of application. Applicants will be advised in writing whether they are successful.

1. NAME OF APPLICANT

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2. ADDRESS OF APPLICANT

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3. CONTACT DETAILS

Business hours

After hours

Mobile

Fax.....

Email

7. SITE PLAN

If applicable, sketch the project site. Indicate North and show the location of the project within the site. Show major features, e.g. buildings, roads, fences, gullies, waterways; the direction and approximate distance to the nearest town and to the water supply facility that you think would benefit from the grant.



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8. PROJECT COSTS

Provide details of proposed expenditure of H₂O grant funds. Include all the major items.

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9. ASSESSMENT OF APPLICATIONS

- 9.1 Applications will be assessed by South Gippsland Water.
- 9.2 Assessment will be based on the extent to which applications demonstrate potential benefits to either water quality within a water supply catchment area or the local environment and the ability of the applicant to complete the project.
- 9.3 The Corporation, at its discretion, may elect to make or withhold H₂O grants, depending on whether applications satisfy the selection criteria.

10. CONDITIONS OF APPLICATION

- 10.1 Waterwatchers, Landcare groups, individuals, families, schools or recognised community service clubs are eligible for a H₂O grant.
- 10.2 Applications for H₂O grants will only be considered for projects judged to be directly beneficial to water quality within a water supply catchment area or the local environment.
- 10.3 Applications must be for projects with tangible outcomes, not administration or reporting, etc.
- 10.4 South Gippsland Water may release information relating to H₂O grant projects for the purposes of public information.
- 10.5 Grants of up to \$500 may be awarded, depending on the nature of the H₂O project as described in an application.
- 10.6 A H₂O grant may be used to either wholly or partly fund the project as defined herein, provided that funding is available to complete the project.
- 10.7 Members and staff of the South Gippsland Water are not eligible for a H₂O grant.
- 10.8 The applicant agrees to notify South Gippsland Water when the H₂O project is complete.
- 10.9 The applicant agrees to permit access to the project site by appointment for the purpose of viewing the H₂O project.
- 10.10 The applicant agrees to keep records of the H₂O project, including photographs.
- 10.11 The applicant agrees to maintain the H₂O project area and associated works or assets in a manner consistent with achieving the outcomes stated in this application.

11. RELEASE OF GRANT FUNDS

The Corporation will release H₂O grant funds within 14 days on receipts or invoices for goods and materials specified in the H₂O grant application to be used on the project and may include minor incidental expenses.

12. DISCLAIMER

South Gippsland Water will exercise its own due skill, care and attention in the assessment of this application. However, the Applicant acknowledges and agrees:

- (a) that the Corporation, should it either grant or decline the Application, makes no representation or warranty, whether express or implied, as to the suitability or merits of the purpose for which the grant is applied for;
- (b) that the application by the Applicant is based on the Applicant’s own investigation and enquiry;
- (c) that the Applicant, if given a grant, shall conduct activities for which the grant is made in a proper manner and shall comply with all legislation, whether State or Federal, all Municipal by-laws and Common Law in the activities to which the grant is applied; and
- (d) that except in so far as is approved in writing by the Corporation, the Applicant shall not in any way represent that the activity to which the grant is applied is a joint venture between the Applicant and the Corporation and nor shall the grant be applied in any way which shall expose the Corporation to any legal liability.

13. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

The applicant hereby agrees to the conditions herein and accepts the Corporation’s decision as final.

SIGNED DATE

14. LODGING THIS APPLICATION

Return this application form to:
The Environment Officer – South Gippsland Water
Mail: PO Box 102, FOSTER VIC 3960
Email: sgwater@sgwater.com.au

Mark the envelope: ‘H₂O Grant Application’