



# Senator the Hon Richard Colbeck

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### Helping the community care for our natural resources

Assistant Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, Senator Richard Colbeck, is encouraging local landholders and community groups to apply for round 2 of Smart Farms Small Grants.

Assistant Minister Colbeck said Landcare groups, NRM bodies, Indigenous organisations and community groups in Tasmania could apply for grants of between \$5,000 and \$200,000.

**Assistant Minister Colbeck:** “Tasmania is incredibly lucky to have committed people from all walks of life who value their local environment and regularly make a contribution in caring for it.

“The Coalition Government is backing industry and community groups to continue the excellent work they do on natural resource management in Tassie with round 2 of Smart Farms Small Grants.

“Sustainable, long-term land management practices make for profitable and productive farms which support jobs, particularly on the North West Coast and King Island.

“The flow-on effects of strong land care initiatives are felt throughout our natural systems and healthy, functioning environmental processes contribute so much to our economy.

“Timely interventions on pest and weed management are vital in ensuring we protect our native flora and fauna, as well as improving land use productivity.

“Proper care of our waterways will also protect our valuable fisheries resources and ensure Tasmanian families can all take part in this key part of the Tasmanian way of life.

“The first round of funding was highly competitive and I strongly encourage those who missed out to apply again.”

More information is [available online](#). Visit the Community Grants Hub to [apply](#).

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