

GALLAGHER LANDCARE ELECTRIC FENCING GRANTS 2023 – GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA





# About the Gallagher and Landcare Australia Electric Fencing Grants

Now entering its fourth grant round, the Gallagher and Landcare Australia Electric Fencing Grants provide support for conservation and biodiversity protection projects aligned with the priority areas of Conservation Exclusion/Inclusion Fencing and Riparian Protection and Farm Dam Restoration.

# Project funding available

A total pool of \$176,000 (ex-GST) of Gallagher fencing product is available for the Gallagher Landcare Electric Fencing Grants 2023.

22 grants are available. Eligible applicants are invited to apply for up to \$8,000 (ex-GST) towards electric fencing materials (fencing costs to be determined in consultation with your local Gallagher Territory Manager).

#### Projects MUST have:

- Tangible environmental or sustainable agriculture outcomes;
- Fencing products with the completed Product List developed together with their local Gallagher Territory Manager; and
- Provide knowledge-sharing opportunities through field day(s), testimonials, site visit(s) or demonstration(s).

# Who can apply

#### The Gallagher Landcare Fencing Grants 2023 are open to:

- Landcare, Coastcare and Junior Landcare groups;
- Volunteer-based farming systems, community and environment groups; Individual landholders, farmers, agriculturalists and graziers.
- NRM organisations working on private land conservation

#### **Ineligible Organisations**

The following organisations are <u>ineligible</u> to apply for the Gallagher Landcare Fencing Grants 2023, but are encouraged to participate as co-contributors with eligible applicants:

- Commonwealth statutory authorities;
- State, Territory or Local Governments;
- Not for profits operating at a nationwide level; and/or
- Universities

#### Location:

As all applications will need a Product List developed by their local Gallagher Territory Manager, project locations should be within approximately 100km radius from a Gallagher Territory Manager location to ensure that the Gallagher team are able to assist during all stages of the project from initial consult through to design and installation (see map below).

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<u>Gallagher Territory Manager locations:</u> William Bay, Perth, Cairns, Goondiwindi, Rockhampton, Broken Hill, Casino, Quirindi, Dubbo, Moss Vale, Corryong, Wagga Wagga, Bairnsdale, Kilmore, Ballarat, Warrnambool, Goolwa, Launceston



Figure 1 Approximate Locations of Gallagher Territory Managers (January 23). Please note this is a guide only. Please call the Gallagher Customer Service Representative on: 1800 425 524, to find out if your project and site location is eligible.

#### **Grant Criteria**

Projects should also align with one or both of the following two priority areas:

#### 1. Conservation Exclusion/Inclusion Fencing

Installing **permanent** conservation fencing can help exclude threats to valuable native plants and animals, including:

- Preventing browsing or trampling by herbivores, such as domesticated livestock, pest animals, e.g. wild deer/pigs.
  - Preventing damage from people unwittingly accessing sensitive environments;
  - Land Managers with responsibilities to protect endangered species can enhance natural habitats from invasive species incursions.

#### 2. Riparian Protection and Farm Dam Restoration

Enhancing the quality of water through restricting the access of animals to embankments of waterways and dams.

- Reducing trampling and protecting the flora within the riparian margins, reducing sediment entering the waterways and protecting the habitats of many native endangered animal and bird species.
- Restoring degraded farm dams into ecological assets by excluding or restricting livestock access. This can have significant benefits, including livestock health, improved drought resilience, water quality, biodiversity and ecological benefits by allowing native vegetation to establish and regenerate, reducing sedimentation and acting as a natural filter.

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Successful applications will be chosen based on the following criteria:

- Expected environmental (e.g. improving biodiversity) and sustainable agriculture outcomes;
- Expected knowledge-sharing outcomes through field day(s), site visit(s) or demonstration(s);
- Submission of a Product List developed together with a local Gallagher Territory Manager, to determine product requirements.
- Engagement with local Landcare or environment group, and / or local Landcare facilitators, coordinators, researchers, councils or catchment/NRM organisations.
- Consideration of maintenance to ensure longevity of project outcomes;
- Feasible and technically-sound activities;
- Applicants <u>must</u> have permission from the adjoining landholder(s) to install fencing.

### **Key Dates**

Item:	Date:
Applications open	Monday 6 March 2023
Complete an on-site visit with a Gallagher Territory Manager	1 May – 9 June 2023
Applications close	Thursday 15 June 2023 (4pm AEST)
Successful applicants notified by	Tuesday 1 August 2023
Progress Report due	Friday 24 November 2023
Final Report due and project completed	Friday 31 March 2024

## How to apply

- 1. Access the application form on the Landcare Australia Grant Site
- 2. Find your local Gallagher Territory Manager: <a href="https://am.gallagher.com/en-AU/Team-Page">https://am.gallagher.com/en-AU/Team-Page</a>
- 3. Arrange an on-site visit with your Local Gallagher Territory Manager between 1 May and before 9 June 2023.
  - Your Gallagher Territory Manager will determine the best **Gallagher Electric Fencing**Solution for your project goals and assist with product selection and pricing
- 4. As part of the visit, your Gallagher Territory Manager will provide you with a completed Product List document, that you will need to successfully submit your application your Product List contains important information about your project and must be submitted as part of the application process. Complete your application, including supporting images and your Gallagher Product List online through the <u>Landcare Australia Grant Site</u> (further details below under 'How to Apply')

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If you need technical assistance using the application form, download the <u>SmartyGrants</u> <u>Help Guide for Applicants</u> or check out <u>SmartyGrants Applicant Frequently Asked Questions</u> (FAQ's)

For specific questions about your project that are not answered in the guidelines or the FAQs, email grants@landcareaustralia.com.au

You must have completed an on-site visit with a Gallagher Territory Manager between 1 May and 9 June 2023 and submit a completed Product List through the Landcare Grant Portal before noon (AEST) Thursday 15 June 2023 for your application to be considered.

Gallagher Territory Managers are expected to be in high demand during the application process, so it is recommended to book your on-site visit by calling **1800 425 524** as soon as practical.

# **Reporting Requirements**

As a condition of receiving a **Gallagher Landcare Electric Fencing Grant**, you will be required to complete a Progress and a Final Report for your project. The report must include a measure of improvement achieved (as described in the original application), as well as progress photos. Reporting is undertaken online, and Landcare Australia will send you the link shortly after you have received your grant. See key dates above.

# **Example projects and resources**

- 2022 project: Gallagher Westonfence Lisa and Eddy Dwyer (Purnim, Victoria)
- 2021 project: Gallagher Mega Anchor fencing: Protecting a threatened ecological community from feral pigs and other pest animals
- 2021 project: Gallagher Westonfence: Fencing out foxes to protect the endangered
  Southern Brush Tail Rock Wallaby
- 2021 project: Gallagher Westonfence: Fencing out deer
- List of Landcare group publications & resources on rehabilitating farm dams

# **About Gallagher Electric Fencing Products**

For 85 years Gallagher has proudly designed and manufactured a range of animal management solutions including permanent electric fencing, and market-leading weighing & EID products including Weigh Scales, EID Tag Readers and blue tooth operated Loadbars, with Cloud stored and transmitted data capability between multiple devices.

Gallagher's relentless innovation is to provide intelligent energisers with cost effective environmentally friendly fence solutions offers great options for land and animal managers.

The Gallagher range of Electric Fencing includes suspension fencing, , Insulated Line Posts and Electric Fence Droppers as well as Energizers, WiFi gateways and communication units for 24/7 monitoring of

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fences to a mobile phone, Gallagher Mega Anchor Post, Stay & Gate Kits and other components required to complete a fence line. A combination of items above can form a raft of fence solutions and with adaptation form the new Gallagher Sanctuary fence.

To learn more about how Gallagher Electric Fencing solutions can help you achieve your management of invasive and/or domesticated animals and conservation fencing goals, seek a regional agricultural field day.

Click here to find an event near you

No events? View a recording of the event here

**Click here to view Gallagher Fencing instructional videos** 

# **About Gallagher Australia**

Gallagher offers a range of permanent electric fencing solutions for long term protection of natural assets. The continued offering of the Gallagher Landcare Fencing Grants represents a treasured expansion of Gallagher's partnership with Landcare Australia, to support Landcare's vision and increase the company's efforts in demonstrating both partners commitment to local communities and the environment.

#### About Landcare Australia

Landcare Australia is a national not-for-profit organisation established more than 30 years ago that supports the landcare community with funding, capacity-building, on-ground projects, information, networking and promotion of landcare achievements.

Together with the landcare community, our efforts improve biodiversity, build resilience in Australia's food and farming systems, and create stronger communities. As a leader in the environmental sector, Landcare Australia has strong expertise in designing, managing and completing challenging and complex major ecological restoration projects involving large scale revegetation and carbon abatement.

#### About the Partnership

Gallagher has been supporting local communities and the environment through the Gallagher Landcare Fencing Grants program since 2019. Their ongoing commitment has been inspired in part by the wellbeing benefits of participating in Landcare as highlighted by the KPMG Wellbeing report-these benefits include improvements in mental resilience and a stronger connection to community.

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

Click here to see our FAQs

#### **Terms and Conditions**

This grant program will be administered by Landcare Australia. Prior to receiving funding you will be required to agree to the <u>standard terms and conditions</u>.

All applicants will be advised of the outcome of their application in writing after the assessment

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process is completed.

All decisions are final and are not subject to further review.

# **Enquiries**

If you have any questions after reading these Guidelines, please contact Landcare Australia's Grants Team at <a href="mailto:grants@landcareaustralia.com.au">grants@landcareaustralia.com.au</a>



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