



GREAT OCEAN ROAD COAST - COASTAL GRANTS PROGRAM

Overview

The Great Ocean Road Coast Committee annual Coastal Grants Program aims to support local groups and individuals in helping to care for the coast. This year, the focus of the grants has been narrowed to support environmental projects along the 37km of Crown coastal reserves we manage.

A pool of \$10,000 in grant funds is offered and will be split between applicants as determined by project needs.

Previous grant rounds have funded a diverse range of projects, from the procurement of tools and cigarette butt bins to weed control, revegetation and environmental educational projects.

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 5:00PM FRIDAY 9th DECEMBER 2016

If you experience any difficulties in filling out this online application form, please contact the GORCC office on (03) 5220 5055 or email david.p@gorcc.com.au.

Grant Terms and Conditions

Eligible applicants include:

- Incorporated community groups;
- Unincorporated community groups sponsored by a legal entity (auspice organisation);
- Non - government incorporated organisations such as Rotary Clubs and conservation groups;
- Public and private schools.

Eligible projects will:

- Have a coastal focus;
- Have a direct, positive impact on the 37km of Crown foreshore land between Torquay and Lorne managed by GORCC;
- Aim to protect and/or enhance the natural values of the GORCC managed coast.

Ineligible applicants or activities include:

- Commercial undertakings;
- Requests of a recurrent nature;
- Assisting individuals to participate in events;
- Works or projects already completed;
- Salaries, wages and on-costs;
- Fundraising ventures;
- Activities that are the legal responsibility of the landowner.

General requirements:

- Any conflicts of interest, perceived or actual, must be declared in writing to the CEO, Great Ocean Road Coast Committee, PO Box 53, Torquay Vic 3228
- Successful applicants are required to display the Great Ocean Road Coast Committee logo on any advertising or promotional material related to the project.
- Public Liability Insurance may be requested by GORCC from the applicant.
- Successful applicants will be required to complete an acquittal report within 12 months of receiving the grant.
- If the applicant has previously been awarded a grant for a prior project, an acquittal report for that project must be submitted to GORCC prior to the new application being submitted.

Key Selection Criteria

Projects should aim to protect and/or enhance the natural values of the GORCC managed coast.

The project must:

- Be achievable and measurable.
- Benefit the coastal environment.
- Enhance habitat or increase biodiversity through conservation.
- Reduce the negative impact of specific key threats to the coastal environment and species.
- Involve and/or encourage environmental protection in the wider community.