**Environmental Grants Application Form — Category 1**

**Does your project involve work in a Nelson City Council Park or Reserve, or in a Significant Natural Area on private land? If so, please email Asita Langi at asita.langi@ncc.govt.nz to discuss your project BEFORE completing the application.**

**Applicant details**

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| Name |  |
| Postal address |  |
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| Phone |  |
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| Contact person (if different from the name above) |  |

**General information**

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| Where is the project site? | *I.e. the physical address*  *Be as specific as possible:*   * *attach a map (e.g. print one off Google Maps or Top of the South Maps)* * *attach photos of the area.* |
| What type of site(s) make up the project? | *Is it private property, a reserve, a combination of these or something else?*  *Are you focusing on one or two patches or the whole area?* |
| What kind of activity happens there? | *If public land, is it walking, picnics, general recreation etc?*  *If private, is it residential, lifestyle blocks, rural or something else?* |
| Do you have the appropriate permission to carry out the work you want to do? | *e.g. If the area is managed by Council or the Department of Conservation, or owned by someone else, do you have permission to carry out your project?*  *Please include details of the written and/or verbal permission provided.*  *Please advise if you own the property where the work is to take place.* |
| Is there any kind of special legal status on any of the property? | *e.g. are there any SNAs (significant natural areas) or a covenant associated with the property? Are there any restrictions around what activities can take place there?* |

**Features**

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| What types of ecosystem(s) are present? | *E.g. wetland, coastal forest, manuka scrub etc*  *List all that apply. See the guide ‘*[*Living Heritage*](http://www.nelson.govt.nz/assets/Environment/Downloads/living-heritage-nelson-native-plants.pdf)*’ for more details.* |
| Are there any threatened / protected native species present? | *If you’re not sure, you can contact Asita Langi at asita.langi@ncc.govt.nz* |
| What environmental pests are present? | *This includes weeds and animal pests.* |
| What is the terrain and access like? | *Is it steep, flat or mixed?*  *Is there a stream / waterway?*  *Are there tracks, paths or boardwalks?* |
| Are there any other features to consider? | *E.g. is the area within an archaeological overlay, or other kind of overlay, in the Nelson Resource Management Plan?* |

**Project details**

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| Project goal | *What’s your goal for this project — what are you aiming to achieve by when the project has been completed?* |
| Brief description of the project | *What will you do?*  *Who will be involved?*  *How long will it take?* |
| Steps to achieve the project goal | *List the key steps you will undertake to achieve your project goal. E.g. ecological assessment, weed clearance (by hand or using agrichemicals), planting, fencing, pest trapping, constructing a wetland, volunteer days, water quality monitoring, bird counts …* |
| Alignment with Council goals | *How does this tie in with the goals of Nelson Nature and/or Healthy Streams?*   * *Nelson Nature funding is available for projects that aim to protect or enhance native biodiversity.* * *Healthy Streams funding is available for projects that aim to improve the health of waterways for either human or ecosystem health, for example habitat restoration, wetlands, or mitigation of nutrients.* |
| Alignment with this year’s priorities | *How does your project relate to this year’s priorities?*  *This year Council is particularly keen to support actions which contribute to any of the following objectives.*  *Nelson Nature:*   * *Protect existing native biodiversity on private and public land (e.g. weeding, planting, fencing, possum and goat control).* * *Restore connections between native ecosystems (e.g. native planting to connect or extend fragmented ecosystems).* * *Enhance native wildlife through predator control (e.g. community trapping projects on private and public land).* * *Enhance habitat for native wildlife within the Nelson Halo and coastal ecosystems.*   *Healthy Streams:*   * *Restore riparian margins.* * *Reduce erosion on farming and forestry land.* * *reduce sediment or contaminants into freshwater.* |
| Permits, licences and approvals | *Do you require resource consent for any aspect of your project? If so, please provide details of your resource consent.*  *If you are unsure whether your project* requires a *consent please contact the Environmental Programmes Advisers (for example, if you need a consent to clear weeds around a stream for planting, this may be able to be funded through this application).*  *Do you require Wildlife Act authorisations (approval to hold, catch, handle or release wildlife)? If so, please provide details of your authorisation.*  *Do you require any specialist certifications (e.g. Growsafe certification for use of agrichemicals)?*  *If you are unsure, please contact Asita Langi at asita.langi@ncc.govt.nz* |

**Project costs**

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| Support from Council | *What can Council provide to help you to achieve your project goal?*  *E.g.*  *- money (explain what funding would be used for, to progress your project) – see Funding Exclusions (at bottom of page) for a list of the items which will not be funded.*  *- professional ecological advice (explain how you will use this information)*  *- native plants for an area (specify the size of the area and/or the number of plants you require — and whether you need establishment or enhancement species)*  *If you are not sure how many plants (or what type) you need for your project, please contact Asita Langi at asita.langi@ncc.govt.nz* |
| Estimated costs | Funding sought from Nelson City Council (in the form of money, professional ecological advice and/or native plants).  *Fencing – based on $12 per metre.*  *Professional ecological advice (ask the Environmental Programmes Advisers for an estimated cost for this work).*  *Plants – based on $3 per plant for establishment species and $6 per plant for enhancement species.*  *Other expenses – please provide details, and include a quote if you have one.*  *Include a total cost for the project based on all of the above.* |
| In-kind contributions | *Outline what contributions you, your community group or other supporting organisations will be making to this project:*  *e.g. your time managing the project, volunteer labour, expertise or financial investments.* |

**Multi Year Funding**

*Only fill out this section if you are seeking funding over more than one year.*

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| Funding timeframe and details | *If funding is being sought for more than one year, please specify the number of years, and what is requested in each year (in terms of money and/or native plants).* |

**Legal and financial details**

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| Legal status of the applicant | *Individual*  *Incorporated Society*  *Charitable Trust*  *Other (please describe)* |
| GST status | *Are you GST registered?*  *If you are not sure whether you are GST registered for the purpose of this project, please contact Asita Langi at asita.langi@ncc.govt.nz* |

**Our communication methods**

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| How did you find out about this funding opportunity? | *E.g. By an email from Council, by an email forwarded to you by someone you know, Facebook, public notice, word of mouth, Nelson North newsletter, Our Nelson article, display in Council window, on the Council website, or some other way.* |

*Please attach any supporting quotes and other relevant information.*

**Funding exclusions**

Grants will not be provided for:

* works required by a law, a plan rule, or a consent condition
* large scale forestry (over 10ha in area)
* intensive rat and mustelid control at sites which do not contain threatened or at-risk species or which do not have a community group (unless the funding application is for less than $5,000 over five years)
* retrospective costs (i.e. costs incurred prior to a funding agreement being signed)
* reimbursement of landowner time or voluntary labour
* proposals that are designed to generate personal or commercial profit
* debt repayment or the refinancing of loans.