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# FUNDING

*for Environment  
Enhancement*

Are you thinking of doing some work  
on enhancing a bush, wetland or stream habitat?

Can we help you with funding from the  
Environment Enhancement Fund?





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## for Environment Enhancement

### What is the Environment Enhancement Fund?

The Environment Enhancement Fund is an Environment Canterbury fund supported by the Honda TreeFund.

It is a contestable fund that provides grants of up to \$5,000 to individuals and groups working to protect and enhance Canterbury's indigenous biodiversity.



### What is indigenous biodiversity?

Indigenous biodiversity is the term used to describe the variety of naturally occurring life within a habitat. This can include plants, animals, fungi and micro-organisms.

### What type of projects are eligible for funding?

Projects suitable for contestable funding must clearly benefit indigenous biodiversity and enhance the health of the wider ecosystems in the region.

Examples of projects likely to meet funding criteria:

- Riparian fencing and planting
- Fencing of native bush
- Fencing and planting of wetlands
- Native plantings in public reserves

### Who can apply?

Any individual, landowner, community, conservation or recreational group that seeks to protect and enhance indigenous plants or animals and their habitat, waterways, wetlands and dunes.

### What funding is available?

The total funding available for distribution varies each year. Grants will usually be up to \$5,000 covering no more than 50% of the project's material costs.

The Environment Enhancement Fund encompasses the following funds:

- Environment Canterbury's Environment Enhancement Fund
- Honda TreeFund – for planting of native trees on public land.

### What is recognition?

Recognition is public acknowledgement of a project's contribution to the region's indigenous biodiversity.

### What types of projects are eligible for recognition?

All projects that are eligible for funding are also eligible for recognition.

The following projects are eligible for recognition but **not funding**:

- Research projects
- Projects that are the requirement of government, a local authority or other public body such as producer boards

### How do I apply?

Applications must be made on the Environment Enhancement Fund application form which can be downloaded from our website.

Or you can ring (03) 365-3828 or toll free on 0800 EC INFO (0800 324 636) during business hours or email our Customer Services staff to have your name put on our mail-out list.

The fund is open from 1 June to 31 August each year and funding is announced in December.