

Future Drought Fund: Funding Information

This table details the payment information for the *Drought Resilience Innovation Grants program* as required under Section 27A of the *Future Drought Fund Act 2019*.

All payments in this table are GST exclusive.

Table 1 Drought Resilience Innovation Grants program – 2020 - 2024

Organisation	Region	Legislative purpose	Description	Total amount payable	Total amount paid as at 2 December 2024	Payment date	Payment amount
Applied Horticultural Research Pty Ltd	New South Wales	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Next Generation Water Management</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
Arquus Pty Ltd	Western Australia	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>A Sustainable Weather Certificate Industry project</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
Autism Queensland Limited	Queensland	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>The Resilience of Farming Families of Children with Disability</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54

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Central Queensland University	Queensland	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Female Farmers of the Future</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
Converte Pty Ltd	New South Wales	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Re-Chargeable Slow-Release Pellet and Vineyard Drought Resilience Design</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
First People of the Millewa-Mallee Aboriginal Corporation	Victoria	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Research and Promotion of the Production of Drought Resilient Native Crops</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
Flinders University	South Australia	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Building Drought Resilience in Coastal Groundwater Systems</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
Moorabool Landcare Network	Victoria	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Lowering the Impact from the Horse Industry on Droughts</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
Murdoch University	Western Australia	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>The Benefits of Shelter Belts</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
South Australian Arid Lands Landscape Board	South Australia	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Assessment of Metering and Monitoring Options for Pastoral Water Points</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54

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Southern Queensland Natural Resources Management Ltd	Queensland	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Drought and Resilience - First Nation Stories</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
Square V Pty Ltd	Victoria	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>The DroughtPlanner App - to help farmers dealing with drought make better decisions for both their farm and their mental health</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
Square V Pty Ltd	Victoria	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Farmer Needs a Break.</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
The Trustee for JAR Family Trust	Queensland	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Contingency Interest Loans</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
The University of Adelaide	South Australia	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Crop Insurance Participation and Moral Hazard</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
The University of Adelaide	New South Wales	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Resilient and Sustainable Australian Winegrowing Businesses and Communities.</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
The University of Wollongong	New South Wales	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>iOyster - Drought Resilient Oyster Farming</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54

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University of Tasmania	Tasmania	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>The Feasibility of a Y-Span Centre Pivot Irrigator</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
University of Tasmania (formerly Swinburne University of Technology)	Tasmania	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Roadmap for a Regional AgriFood Knowledge Cluster in Northwest Tasmania</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
University of Technology Sydney	New South Wales	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Environmentally Friendly Polymer Mixture for Drought Resilience and Improved Cultivable Soil Quality</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
Wheatbelt Business Network (Inc)	Western Australia	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>Wheatbelt Drought Resilience Small to Medium Enterprise Planning</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
Workhaven Pty Ltd	Queensland	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Ideas Grant <i>A Virtual Portal to Support Women in Drought Affected Areas</i>	\$45,454.54	\$45,454.54	30/06/2022	\$45,454.54
Deakin University	Victoria	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Proof-of-Concept Grant <i>Determining minimum irrigation requirements of almond trees in the Riverina</i>	\$109,000.00	\$109,000.00	30/06/2022	\$109,000.00
Flinders University	South Australia	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Proof-of-Concept Grant	\$109,003.50	\$109,003.50	30/06/2022	\$109,003.50

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			<i>Drought proofing farming communities through mapping societal and economic resilience</i>				
Greenwich Park Pastoral Holdings Pty Ltd	New south Wales	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Proof-of-Concept Grant <i>Wondrous Wetlands - A Drought Resilience Strategy</i>	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	30/06/2022	\$100,000.00
Katanning Land Conservation District Committee	Western Australia	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Proof-of-Concept Grant <i>Give A Dam</i>	\$50,358.00	\$50,358.00	30/06/2022	\$50,358.00
Lawson Grains Pty Limited	New south Wales	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Proof-of-Concept Grant <i>Farm-Sit Service for Farmers to Build Overall Mental Resilience</i>	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00	30/06/2022	\$4,500.00
The University of Adelaide	South Australia	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Proof-of-Concept Grant <i>Optimal Herd Inventory Management Strategies</i>	\$108,290.00	\$108,290.00	30/06/2022	\$108,290.00
The University of Melbourne	Victoria	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Proof-of-Concept Grant <i>Building Capacity for Community-led Drought Resilience Action</i>	\$108,874.00	\$108,874.00	30/06/2022	\$108,874.00
University of South Australia	South Australia	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Proof-of-Concept Grant <i>Bringing together farmers, psychological science, technology and humour</i>	\$107,474.37	\$107,474.37	30/06/2022	\$107,474.37
Aspermont Limited	Western Australia	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant	\$2,307,730.20	\$2,307,730.20	30/06/2022	\$1,475,655.66
						31/03/2023	\$406,446.30

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		towards achieving drought resilience	<i>Kondinin Group Drought Resilience for Agriculture Research Extension and Adoption program</i>			31/03/2024	\$425,628.24
Deakin University	Victoria	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant <i>Irrigation management technology and agronomy packages for enabling aerobic rice production in Southern Australia</i>	\$933,000.00	\$933,000.00	30/06/2022	\$592,359.97
						31/03/2023	\$169,700.51
						31/03/2024	\$170,939.52
Evidn Pty Ltd	Queensland	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant <i>A Behavioural Science Approach to Building Drought Resilience Across the Fitzroy Basin.</i>	\$991,000.00	\$991,000.00	30/06/2022	\$553,814.95
						31/03/2023	\$213,553.28
						31/03/2024	\$223,631.77
Grower Group Alliance Inc	Western Australia	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant <i>WaterSmart Dams - Making Dams Work Again</i>	\$2,992,092.91	\$2,992,092.91	30/06/2022	\$1,893,158.87
						31/03/2023	\$537,748.10
						31/03/2024	\$561,185.94
Kangaroo Island Landscape Board	South Australia	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant <i>Building Drought Resilience through Comprehensive Property Management Planning</i>	\$981,000.00	\$981,000.00	30/06/2022	\$589,778.52
						31/03/2023	\$149,875.18
						31/03/2024	\$241,346.30
Mallee Sustainable Farming Inc	Victoria	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant <i>Develop robust ground cover to enable resilience in low rainfall mixed farms.</i>	\$2,499,913.00	\$2,499,913.00	30/06/2022	\$1,503,567.24
						31/03/2023	\$521,150.81
						31/03/2024	\$475,194.95
Queensland Farmers' Federation Ltd	Queensland	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant <i>Integrating index-based insurance and optimal crop management</i>	\$1,825,000.00	\$1,825,000.00	30/06/2022	\$1,096,966.38
						31/03/2023	\$352,869.32
						31/03/2024	\$375,164.30

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			<i>strategies to reduce the financial risk and improve income stability</i>				
Southern Farming Systems Ltd	Victoria	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant <i>Assessing the Suitability of Small Farm Dams.</i>	\$1,055,096.00	\$1,055,096.00	30/06/2022	\$705,807.72
						31/03/2023	\$163,884.90
						2/12/2024	\$185,403.38
Southern Regional Natural Resource Management Association Inc	Tasmania	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant	\$1,445,000.00	\$1,445,000.00	30/06/2022	\$866,436.58
						31/03/2023	\$319,600.48
						31/03/2024	\$258,962.94
The University of Melbourne	Victoria	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant <i>Whole-system Redesign of Broadacre Farming of SE Australia</i>	\$1,997,944.00	\$1,997,944.00	30/06/2022	\$1,357,589.05
						31/03/2023	\$420,844.34
						31/03/2024	\$219,510.61
The University of Newcastle	New South Wales	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant <i>Hydro Harvester - A fresh way to extract atmospheric water for drought affected communities</i>	\$1,750,510.00	\$1,750,510.00	30/06/2022	\$1,198,426.21
						31/03/2023	\$271,714.76
						31/03/2024	\$280,369.03
University of New England	New South Wales	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant <i>Empowering Generation Z</i>	\$1,398,808.00	\$1,398,808.00	30/06/2022	\$993,864.21
						31/03/2023	\$192,292.77
						31/03/2024	\$212,651.02
University of New England	New South Wales	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant <i>Decide and Thrive</i>	\$2,995,121.00	\$2,995,121.00	30/06/2022	\$1,892,232.38
						31/03/2023	\$538,731.78
						19/11/2024	\$564,156.84
University of New England	New South Wales	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant <i>Knowledge Gaps Overcoming the Knowledge Gaps.</i>	\$3,000,000.00	\$3,000,000.00	30/06/2022	\$1,897,111.38
						31/03/2023	\$538,731.78
						2/12/2024	\$564,156.84

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			Using a co-learning approach to increase the adoption of deep-rooted legumes and conserved forage as key drought resilient strategies for Northern Australian grazing systems				
University of Southern Queensland	Queensland	s21(1)(c) – Carrying out a project that is directed towards achieving drought resilience	Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program – Innovation Grant <i>Customising ARMonline</i>	\$989,439.00	\$989,439.00	30/06/2022	\$544,884.99
						31/03/2023	\$202,855.68
						31/03/2024	\$241,698.33
Totals for Drought Resilience Innovation Grants Program				\$28,859,153.86	,\$28,859,153.86		\$28,859,153.86

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of Australia and their continuing connection to land and sea, waters, environment and community. We pay our respects to the Traditional Custodians of the lands we live and work on, their culture, and their Elders past and present.

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