# Drought Resilience Innovation Grants

Animation transcript

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## Introduction

This is the transcript of a video animation developed by the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment. The video describes the Future Drought Fund – Drought Resilience Innovation Grants and how to apply.

## Transcript

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Do you have an interest in agriculture and a great idea to contribute to the sector?

The Australian Government Future Drought Fund’s Drought Resilience Innovation Grantsmight be the opportunity you’re looking for.

The Innovation Grants will fund projects that help farmers and communities to adopt innovative approaches to improve drought resilience.

The grants should focus on development, extension, adoption and early-stage commercialisation activities.

There are 3 kinds of grants on offer:

* An ideas grant – which provides $50,000 for 1 year to further develop a good idea.
* A proof-of-concept grant – which provides up to $120,000 for one year.
* An innovation grant – which offers between $300,000 to $1.1 million per year up to 3 years.

To apply for one or more of these grants, the process has 2 key stages. Start by submitting an Expression of Interest (EOI). Tell us about your innovative idea and how you plan to put it into action.

You can express interest in an ideas grant, a proof-of-concept grant or an innovation grant. We’ll award ideas grants based on the expression of interest.

For innovation grants and proof of concept grants, you may be invited to participate in a second stage of the process – a targeted, competitive grant round opening in October.

If you express interest in an innovation grant, and your EOI shows potential but is not quite there, you may be offered the opportunity for an Ideas Grant or a Proof-of-concept Grantinstead**.** This will allow you to further develop your idea.

So, are you interested?

Great – here’s how to get involved:

Read the Grant Guidelines and other important information needed to make your application a success. It’s all available on the Community Grants Hub website. Then get writing. Expressions of Interest are open until 8 September.

Your EOI will be assessed by a panel of innovation experts. This will take around 6 weeks following the closing date. Then we’ll be in touch to let you know the outcome.

We know along the way you may have questions. The Community Grants Hub support team are on hand to help you.

You can call them on 1800 020 283 or email support@communitygrants.gov.au.

The Innovation Grants are just one of many opportunities available through the Future Drought Fund. Visit the website for more information.

All the best with your application.

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