

Media release

Minister for the Environment and the Great Barrier Reef and Minister for Science and Youth Affairs

The Honourable Meaghan Scanlon

Grants available for partners in grime to clear illegal waste

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A helping hand is on the way to the tune of \$500,000 to assist primary producers and landholders with the cost of removing and safely disposing of hazardous waste.

Environment Minister Meaghan Scanlon said the Keeping Queensland Clean: Illegal Dumping Grant Program formed part of the government's war on waste.

"We know Queensland's primary producers have a real problem on their hands when it comes to cleaning up illegally dumped waste on their land," Minister Scanlon said.

"It's costly and draws funds and resources away from their work and other vital activities.

"We're stepping in to help land managers cover the expense so they can get back to their important work.

"This grant program is geared towards land managers such as primary producers, natural resource management groups, nature refuge holders and special wildlife reserve managers."

Applicants can apply for grants of up to \$50,000 for projects to remove illegally dumped hazardous waste and/or illegally dumped waste that is difficult to access or requires specialist equipment to remove due to the location or size of the material.

"This is a great program designed to help landowners keep their land clear of waste, and I encourage all eligible groups to submit an application," Ms Scanlon said

The grants program will open on 10 January 2022 and will close on 18 February 2022.

For more info: https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/pollution/management/waste/litter-illegal-dumping/grants-funding

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