



New South Wales
Aboriginal Land Council

NSW ABORIGINAL LAND COUNCIL – FISHING FUND

Expression of Interest for Grant or Loan

Thank you for your interest in the NSW Aboriginal Land Council (**NSWALC**) Fishing Fund.

The NSWALC understands the need to be responsive to business opportunities as they arise. Therefore, Aboriginal people or businesses are invited to submit expressions of interest for grants or loans as required.

There is no deadline for when Expressions of Interest can be submitted.

Funding is limited and is not guaranteed. Final decisions of NSWALC are based on the advice of an independent Fishing Advisory Committee (**FAC**) who will assess applications based on their commercial merits and risks and having regard for community and social benefits.

If you have any questions about the application form, please contact the Strategy and Policy Unit on (02) 9689 4520.

CHECKLIST:

Must haves:

- Confirmation of Aboriginality
- Proof of Aboriginal business (for example evidence that the business is an Aboriginal majority owned, managed and operated business).

Please ensure you have answered each of the questions below. To assess your application, we need to understand your business or business proposal. Even if you do not have all the information asked for it is still good to include as much information as you can. Where a question does not apply to you, please write 'not applicable' and briefly explain why.

Good to have:

These documents will support your application but are not necessary for an EOI to be assessed, however they may be required if you are invited to submit a full application.

- Feasibility studies
- Business plan (including cash flow forecasts for 12 months and profit and loss forecast statements)

- Confirmation of secured funding partners
- Other supporting documents



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Expression of Interest Form

Please complete the following form and send via email to policy@alc.org.au.

1. Contact details	
2. Applicant details	<p>Are you applying as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> An Aboriginal person<input type="checkbox"/> An Aboriginal entity, which includes Local Aboriginal Land Councils (LALCs), organisations, trusts and corporations owned, managed and operated by Aboriginal persons. <p><i>Please attach evidence to support this.</i></p>
3. Fishing Sector	<p><i>What sector are you operating in, or intending to operate in?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Wild Harvest<input type="checkbox"/> Aquaculture<input type="checkbox"/> Charter fishing
4. Funding request	
5. Type of business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> This loan / grant is to <i>start</i> a new business<input type="checkbox"/> This loan / grant is to <i>purchase</i> an existing business. If so, please provide the asking price \$.....<input type="checkbox"/> This loan / grant is to <i>enhance</i> my current existing business.
6. Description of business	

7. Business plan or feasibility work	
8. Other loans or grants	
9. Aboriginal employment	
10. Community and social benefit	



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11. Fishing penalties	
12. Any other supporting documents	

DECLARATION:

I/We understand that this form is an Expression of Interest form and that once this has been reviewed I/we will be invited to submit a full application form for funding.

I/We understand that applications will be assessed against set criteria and funding offers will be based on the availability of funds.

I/We have solemnly declare that this is a true and correct statement of all my/our affairs.

Applicant name:

Signature:

Date:

Privacy Statement:

The information you provide in this application, which may include personal information, is being collected and will be used by the NSW Aboriginal Land Council (**NSWALC**) for the purposes of assessing your eligibility for a loan from the NSWALC Fishing Fund (**the Fund**), and for the purposes related to the administration of the Fund, including the assessment of the effectiveness of the Fund.

Your provision of the information in this application is voluntary. However, if you choose not to provide the information, NSWALC will not be able to assess your application.

Your information will be disclosed to staff administering the Fund, NSWALC 's Independent Aboriginal Fishing Advisory Committee, the NSWALC Council and to a credit reporting body in order to assess the application, and for the administration of any loan advanced from the Fund. This information may also be disclosed to the Commonwealth Government's National Indigenous Australians Agency, who have funded NSWALC to develop the Fund. Your information will be held securely by NSWALC or its agents and will not be disclosed to any other parties without your consent, unless authorised or required to by law.

Upon your written request, we will provide you details of those we have disclosed your information to.

Providing false, misleading or incomplete information may impact NSWALC's assessment of your application, and increase the risk of your application being refused.

You may access or correct your personal information held by NSWALC by contacting us by email on policy@alc.org.au or telephone on (02) 9689 4520.