TASMANIAN BEEF INDUSTRY (Research and Development) TRUST PO Box 316 LONGFORD TASMANIA 7301



A Call for Project Applications: 2024

The Tasmanian Beef Industry Trust is inviting applications to the Trust from individuals, groups, or organisations to fund projects that will benefit the Tasmanian beef industry. **The call will remain open until the 13**th **of May 2024.**

In the past, the Trust has typically supported small-scale projects, encouraged co-contribution, and limited the number of concurrent projects.

However, if you have great project ideas, we don't want these conditions to limit them. The Trust has some changes that may interest you.

- We have increased the funding limit for individual projects to \$200K.
 But retain the core requirements of merit, realistic outcomes, and value for money. We may have room for your big ideas.
- We have removed the requirement for co-contribution.
- We are prepared to fund projects in full. But we remain open to collaboration in funding projects.
- We won't limit the number of applications we consider for funding at any one time. We'll consider all projects of merit, but reserve the right to rigorously select how many proceed.

Funding guidelines are summarised below. These application forms can be found at https://tasfarmers.com.au/resources/community.

Expressions of interest, requests for information and completed applications can be directed to: reception@tasfarmers.com.au or 6332 1800.

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The past need not guide the future, but some examples of previously funded projects include:

- Facilitation of Beef Discussion Groups.
- A survey of pasture management practices.
- Reproductive disease surveillance and impact assessment.
- On-farm trials comparing trace element treatments.
- Support for training activities engaging students in Agriculture.

Priorities for the 2024 call

While projects may focus on any topic that meets the guidelines, for 2024 we encourage projects that focus on emissions reduction, climate resilience or sustainability credentials.

TASMANIAN BEEF INDUSTRY (R&D) TRUST Guidelines for Project Applications

- The proposed funding must meet the Trust's purpose which includes supporting
 systematic experimentation or analysis in any field of science, technology or economics
 relating to the improved production, processing, storage, transport, or marketing of
 beef or cattle, including the training of persons to carry out beef and cattle research
 and development, the acquisition and application of knowledge and the dissemination
 of information relevant to such.
- 2. The Trust seeks to support projects that deliver benefits that are widely available and applicable to the Tasmanian beef industry and are not primarily restricted to an individual business or personal benefit.
- 3. Proposed projects will be assessed with the following questions being taken into consideration:
 - Is the proposed research and development project relevant to the goals and needs of the Tasmanian beef industry?
 - Is the proposed project content significant or innovative? Does it address an industry gap?
 - What is the potential of the project to result in industry, environmental and social benefit for Tasmania?
 - Are the objectives, approach and methodology clearly stated?
 - Is the proposed duration and budget realistic for the project being proposed?
 - Are there appropriate, supportive, or desirable partnership links to other projects?
 - Does the project provide value for money for the investment being sought?
- 4. The project may be small or large (up to \$200K) and may be up to three years in duration.
- **5.** The Trust has the final decision on any proposed project funding application.