



Module 3

Stakeholder Contacts List

Victorian Landcare Team

The Victorian Landcare Team (VLT) is comprised of the Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action's (DEECA) Victorian Landcare Program (VLP) staff and the 10 Regional Landcare Coordinators. The Victorian Landcare Team is responsible for undertaking statewide coordination, communications, management, and strategic activities to deliver the Victorian Landcare Program to support the Landcare and environmental volunteer sector across Victoria. The VLT meets quarterly.

Regional Landcare Coordinators

The Regional Landcare Coordinators (RLCs) are based either in a Catchment Management Authority (CMA) or at Melbourne Water (in Port Phillip and Western Port region). The RLCs provide a localised point of contact who can provide Landcare facilitators with support and advice, and answer questions about your role. The RLCs support the Landcare and environmental groups and networks in their respective regions by:

- Helping groups/networks to: form partnerships, connect with local communities, access funding, and plan and deliver projects.
- Partner with DEECA to administer the Victorian Landcare Grants in their respective regions.

When should you contact RLCs:

- To understand your work program or any changes to the VLFP.
- If you wish to provide feedback or raise concerns. RLCs can provide this feedback/raise issues at the quarterly VLT meetings.

The contact details for the RLCs in each of the CMA regions or at Melbourne Water, are accessible on the Victorian [Landcare Gateway](#)

Victorian Landcare Program Staff (DEECA)

You may wish to contact the DEECA's Victorian Landcare Program (VLP) staff if you have questions about the VLFP (e.g. about reporting requirements or Work Plan) or the VLP more broadly.

Please direct all enquiries on the VLFP or VLP to the DEECA's Victorian Landcare Program staff via the Landcare inbox: landcare@delwp.vic.gov.au at DEECA. This inbox is monitored by members of the DEECA's Victorian Landcare Program staff, and your email enquiry will be directed to the appropriate team member for a response.





Landcare Victoria Inc.

Landcare Victoria Incorporated (LVI) is the independent peak body representing Landcare in Victoria. LVI provides the following services to its member groups:

- Information and advice.
- Advocacy through a representative members council (includes one professional land carer from each of the CMA or Melbourne Water regions).
- Point of contact for LVI's group membership renewals, insurance queries, grant auspicings, and governance needs.
- Manage subscriptions to the Victorian Landcare magazine.
- Training opportunities.
- Events (e.g. Regional Landcare Forums).

www.landcarevictoria.org.au

E: info@landcarevictoria.org.au

Ph: (03) 9034 1940

Postal: PO Box 509, Flinders Lane VIC 8009

Office: Suite 3, Level 7, 24-28 Collins St, Melbourne VIC 3000

Victorian Environment Friends Network

The Victorian Environment Friends Network (VEFN) is the state-wide organisation that represents 'Friends of' groups. The VEFN aims to:

- Provide a single voice to champion 'Friends of' groups to governments and authorities.
- Empower 'Friends of' groups to achieve their objectives.
- Promote the value of 'Friends of' groups in the community.
- Support 'Friends of' groups to connect to their communities and get them involved.
- Help 'Friends of' groups support each other through regional networking.
- Promote broad regional collaboration across agencies and sectors.

www.friendsvic.org

E: friendsvic@hotmail.com

Ph: 03 9587 0786 or 0417 323 460

Melbourne Office:

The Victorian Environment Friends Network is hosted by the Victorian National Parks Association, Level 3, 60 Leicester St, Carlton, Victoria 3053.



Landcare Australia Limited

Established in 1989 by the late former Prime Minister, the Hon. Bob Hawke AC, Landcare Australia Limited (LAL) provides support to over 5,000 groups and 100,000+ volunteers, Australia wide, with Landcare projects that are focused on sustainable land management practices and environmental conservation.

LAL Australia has worked collaboratively with federal, state and local governments and their agencies, Landcare peak bodies, corporate and philanthropic partners, sponsors, community groups and individuals to support the landcare community across Australia.

LAL provides support to Landcare and environmental volunteer groups and networks via:

- Administering the Victorian Junior Landcare and Biodiversity Grants (for DEECA) and providing other funding opportunities to Landcare groups and schools across the state.
- Organising the State and Territory Landcare Awards. The Victorian Landcare Awards are delivered (in partnership with LAL) by DEECA's Landcare team, and are held every two years (odd years). The winners of the National Landcare Awards categories at the Victorian Landcare Awards represent Victoria as finalists in the National Landcare Awards run the following year (held in even years).
- Securing corporate support for Landcare projects through corporate partners. In Victoria, DEECA funding provided to LAL is leveraged (1:5) by LAL to secure investment from corporate and other non-government partners, i.e. for every \$1 of DELWP investment LAL secures \$5 from corporate partners to support Landcare projects and activities in Victoria.
- Landcarer platform - a social media platform designed to connect Landcarers across the nation www.landcarer.com.au
- Managing Landcare, Coastcare, Junior Landcare and Landcare Farming brands and issuing Landcare group/network logos.
- Free resources to support groups to mobilise volunteers.
- Fundraising on behalf of the Landcare community.

Landcare Australia - Melbourne
Ph: 03 9662 9977

Landcare Australia - Sydney
Ph: 02 9412 1040

www.landcareaustralia.org.au



Coastcare Victoria

Coastcare Victoria proudly supports hundreds of Coastcare and community groups and volunteers working to protect and enhance Victoria's 2,000 kilometres of coastline.

E: coastcare.victoria@delwp.vic.gov.au

Find your local Coastcare Victoria facilitator here:

<https://www.marineandcoasts.vic.gov.au/coastal-programs/Coastcare-Victoria>

Landmate Program

The Landmate Program, which is jointly funded by DEECA and the Department of Justice and Community Safety, provides prisoners with the opportunity to work on crews for environmental projects. The aim of this, and other employment programs across state prisons are to:

- To give prisoners the opportunity to get employability skills.
- To improve the likelihood of prisoners securing employment when they are released from prison.

The result being improved community safety, improved stability for that prisoner and reduced likelihood of offending. Services provided by the Landmate program include: fencing, tree planting, watering, tree guarding, weed removal (manual hand removal and herbicide application), pest animal control, erosion reduction and general land reclamation and improvement.

Landmate crews can work within 100km of five prison centres:

- Beechworth Correctional Centre (Beechworth)
- Dhurringle Prison (Murchison)
- Loddon Middleton Prison (Castlemaine)
- Langi Kal Kal Prison (Beaumont)
- Hopkins Correctional Centre (Ararat)

For more information on the Landmate Program, and to check your project's eligibility for no or low-cost labour visit: www.landmate.vic.gov.au

E: landmate@justice.vic.gov.au

Ph: 1300 365 500



Employment-related Matters

Employer Organisations

For questions about employment-related matters Landcare facilitators should first contact their employer organisation. Advice is also available from the Landcare Employment Advice Service, which is funded by DEECA.

Landcare Employment Advice Service

Experts in employment law have been engaged by DEECA to provide free and confidential advice and assistance on all Landcare employment-related matters to Landcare facilitators and other Landcare staff, and their employers. Contact landcare@delwp.vic.gov.au for the contact details of the providers of the Landcare Employment Advice Service.

A document detailing important employment-related Links for Landcare Facilitators & Employers (including the contact information for the Landcare Employment Advice Service) can be found here: <https://www.landcarevic.org.au/resources/2021-24-vlfp/employment-related-links-for-landcare-facilitators-and-employers/>

Global Landcare

In 2020, Global Landcare, a non-profit organisation, was established in Victoria (Australia) to support overseas communities to sustain their land, water and biodiversity.

Global Landcare's Mission is: mobilising resources globally to support communities promoting and adopting the Landcare approach.

Global Landcare's Purpose is: our global network exists to promote, demonstrate, and strengthen Landcare values and approaches for local community-driven solutions for protecting, managing, and enhancing sustainable management of land, water and biodiversity.

What Global Landcare does:

- Capacity building and training.
- Partnerships, networks and regional support.
- Communications and advocacy.
- Fundraising and project support.

More information via www.globallandcare.org

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