



The GLENRAC office will be closed from the 22nd December until the 3rd January 2012.

The GLENRAC committee & staff wish you all the best for the festive season and look forward to working with you again in 2012.



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Current Funding Opportunities

There have been a number of new funding rounds announced in the last two weeks. GLENRAC will be applying for funding on behalf of the Glen Innes district. If you have ideas you would like to put forward to have funded please contact us at the office.

Clean Energy Future Plan

The Australian Government released it's Clean Energy Future Plan in July 2011. As part of this plan is the Land Sector Package creating opportunities for land managers to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and increase carbon storage.

Action on Ground

\$99 million of grant funding will be available over six years to assist individuals and groups of landholders and research, industry and farming organizations across

Australia to trial and demonstrate on-farm ways of reducing agricultural greenhouse gas emissions and/or increasing and maintaining carbon stored in soil. Applications close 8 February 2012. Visit www.daff.gov.au

Individual landholders can apply for this grant or you can apply as a group of landholders.

Biodiversity Fund

A key element of the Australian Governments Clean Energy Future Land Sector Package, provides support to land managers by funding projects which restore, manage or better protect Australia's biodiversity on public or private land. Applications close 31 January 2012. Visit www.nrm.gov.au

Community Bush Regeneration Large Project Stream

Grants funded by the NSW Government facilitate local community groups to undertake large, long term bush regeneration projects. Grants of up to \$250,000 are available to improve the capacity of communities and organizations to project, restore and enhance the environment. Visit www.environment.nsw.gov.au for more information. Applications close 31 Jan 2012.

RAS Foundation 2013 Community Futures Grant

RAS invites those aged under 35-years to submit applications for a new & innovative project to help improve their local community. One grant of \$25,000 will be awarded. Visit www.rasf.org.au for more information. Grants close on the 15th January 2012.

Date Claimers for 2012

25 Jan—Managing Coolatai grass to create productive pastures

11-12 Feb—Glen Innes Show Display

1 March—Pinkett Whiskey & African Love Grass swing wiper control field day

7 March—RCS Healthy Soils workshop

8 March—Maarten Stapper "Soil health, carbon & biology" workshop

21 March—Ben Lomond Soils workshop with Gary McDouall, RCS & Brian Wilson, DECC

26 & 27 March—Landcare Adventure, hosted by GWYMAC Inverell

14 April—Rummerys Hill Landcare meeting

16 May—RCS Property Planning & Monitoring workshop

Dates Yet to be Set -

Landscan course to commence, 5.5 day workshop all about soils, free for landholders to attend