



Expression of Interest

What is an Expression of Interest?

An expression of interest (EOI) is the first step in the process of establishing a biobank site and for landowners to create biodiversity credits on their land. Through an EOI, landowners can indicate this intention to potential credit buyers.

EOI details are placed on the Biobank site EOI public register. Submitting an EOI does not carry any obligations and is free of charge.

Why submit an EOI?

Submitting an EOI allows a landowner to:

- test the demand for their credits before formally entering into a biobanking agreement
- find potential buyer(s) for the credits.

How do I submit an EOI?

Fill in the attached form and submit it to the Department of Environment and Climate Change NSW (DECC).

You will receive a confirmation of your EOI, accompanied by further information about the BioBanking Scheme and guidance about establishing a biobank site.

What information in my EOI will be publicly available?

Information provided on the form will be placed on the public register (see biobank site expressions of interest), except for the information in sections 1, 2, and Part A of section 4.

The email address in section 3, for receiving inquiries from potential credit buyers, will be displayed on the register and should not contain the landowner's or contact person's name.

Where can I find more information?

To obtain more information, please:

- visit the BioBanking website: www.environment.nsw.gov.au/biobanking/index.htm
- contact BioBanking at: (02) 9995 5000 or biobanking@environment.nsw.gov.au.



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1. Landowner's details

Name	
Company name	
Address	
State	Postcode
Phone	Fax
Mobile	Email

2. Contact person's details (if different from above)

Name	
Company name	
Address	
State	Postcode
Phone	Fax
Mobile	Email

3. Contact by potential buyers

I would like to be contacted:

- directly by email (please specify):....., or
- via DECC who will receive and forward external inquiries to the contact information provided in sections 1 or 2.

Note: Any email address specified in this section will be displayed on the public register. In order to protect your privacy, we advise that you provide an **email address that does not include your name**.

Privacy statement

When you submit this form, you are providing personal information to DECC. You can find out more about how DECC handles the personal information it collects by reading our privacy policy online. By submitting this form, you consent to the collection and use of your personal information in accordance with this policy.

Notes for filling in the site details

Area of the proposed biobank site	An estimated area for the proposed site can be provided (does not need to be exact).
Catchment management authority (CMA) region and subregion, local government area (LGA)	The search function of the public register (www.environment.nsw.gov.au/biobanking/index.htm) can help you identify the LGA, and CMA region and subregion for your site.
Vegetation formation	Vegetation formation(s) descriptions can be found at: www.threatenedspecies.environment.nsw.gov.au/tsprofile/browse_veg.aspx
Vegetation type(s)	The names of vegetation types (along with descriptions) by CMA can be found at: www.environment.nsw.gov.au/resources/nature/Biometric_Vegetation_Type_CMA.xls
Threatened species	Information on threatened species in NSW can be obtained from: www.threatenedspecies.environment.nsw.gov.au/index.aspx ; http://wildlifeatlas.nationalparks.nsw.gov.au/wildlifeatlas/watlas.jsp .

4. Site details

Part A	Property name		
	Property Address		
	State	Postcode	Lot/plan no
Part B	Proposed biobank site area (ha)		CMA region
	CMA subregion/s		LGA

The site contains the following vegetation formations (tick one or more):

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|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rainforests | <input type="checkbox"/> Heathlands | <input type="checkbox"/> Wet sclerophyll forests (grassy) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alpine complex | <input type="checkbox"/> Wet sclerophyll forests (shrubby) | <input type="checkbox"/> Grasslands |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grassy woodlands | <input type="checkbox"/> Freshwater wetlands | <input type="checkbox"/> Dry sclerophyll forests (shrub/grass) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Forested wetlands | <input type="checkbox"/> Dry sclerophyll forests (shrubby) | <input type="checkbox"/> Saline wetlands |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Semi-arid woodlands (grassy) | <input type="checkbox"/> Arid shrublands (Acacia) | <input type="checkbox"/> Semi-arid woodlands (shrubby) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Arid shrublands (Chenopod) | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Miscellaneous ecosystems (specify class(es)): | | |

The site contains the following vegetation types (if known):.....

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The site contains the following threatened species (if known):

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5. Credit Report is attached (optional): Yes No

If yes, the report was prepared by an accredited person with an accreditation number:

I am interested in establishing a biobank site on my property and understand that submitting an EOI does not carry any rights and obligations. I also agree to the information disclosed in sections 3, 4 (Part B) and 5 of this form to be posted on the public register.

Name

Signature

Date

(A second authorisation is required here if the landowner is an organisation.)

Name

Signature

Date

Please send completed form to:

BioBanking Expression of Interest
Department of Environment and Climate Change
PO Box A290 Sydney South NSW 1232

Or fax to: (02) 9995 6795

Or email to: biobanking@environment.nsw.gov.au

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