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NRM NORTH ANNOUNCES SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS FOR COASTAL GRANTS

Eight community groups in northern Tasmania have received grants from NRM North for on-ground works within coastal and estuarine areas.

The Coastal Grants program provides small grant funding ranging from one hundred dollars to a maximum of five thousand dollars.

NRM North invested 45 thousand dollars in total through the Australian Government's Caring for our Country Program.

Examples of some of the successful projects include the removal of weeds, field days and the purchase of equipment and tools.

NRM North's Community Engagement Manager, Melissa Lewarn, said this was the third small grants program to be offered by the organisation since April last year.

"Community groups play an important role in looking after our natural resources and NRM North wants to support them any way we can.

"Over the past 14 months, NRM North has distributed around 150 thousand dollars to more than 30 community projects and we plan to run more small grants programs in the future." Mrs Lewarn said.

NRM North's Healthy Coasts and Seas Program Coordinator, Emma Williams, said Tasmania's northern coasts were both beautiful and ecologically significant.

"Unfortunately, they are also under threat from human impacts, including weeds, native vegetation loss, modification and unsustainable recreational uses.

"If we allow these threats to continue, we will end up losing the great coastal values that Tasmanians enjoy.

"The projects that NRM North has funded in this round of community grants are targeting these issues, with a lot of hard work being donated by volunteers as well." Ms Williams said.

The complete list of successful applicants:

- Scamander Foreshore Group - Scamander Foreshore, Break O'Day
- Furneaux Landcare Group Inc. - 3 coastal sites, Flinders Island
- North East Bioregional Network Inc. - Skyline Tier, Break O'Day
- Bridport Innovations - Brid River Reserve, Dorset
- Tasmanian Conservation Trust - Outer Furneaux Islands
- Friends of Bass Strait Islands - Outer Furneaux Islands
- Birds Tasmania - Identified beaches, Break O'Day
- Understorey Network North East Branch - Break O'Day

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