Capital – Successful Round 7 Grants

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| Applicant | Title | Project Description |
| Central Land Council – all groups | Kubota U17-3 mini excavators, trailers and accessories | Across CLCs 15 ranger teams (131 rangers) there is a regular need for plant machinery to assist with delivering land management works. The two mini excavators will be used to support the 15 CLC Ranger teams, consisting of 131 rangers, to complete works outlined in IPA and Healthy Country Plans, as well as additional works programmed into work plans by the Traditional Owner Ranger Advisory Committees. |
| TIWI RESOURCES PTY LTD as trustee for the Tiwi Resources Trust | Tiwi Junior Ranger Program Troop Carrier | A Junior Ranger program has been identified as a Key Action in the Tiwi Islands IPA Plan of Management. Working on country is an integral part of Junior Ranger training and transporting more than 30 students and senior Tiwi Cultural Advisors across the islands without a dedicated vehicle will be challenging – that is why we applied for funding for a Troop Carrier. |
| Dhimurru Aboriginal Corporation | Vehicle to support the implementation of the Yolngu Knowledge Framework at Dhimurru | With the use of this car, the team will be able to develop and undertake Marŋgithi Wäŋawu (Deep Dive) frameworks, in different seasons per year, to monitor the health of country; develop four Country based plans, undertake cultural mapping of the Port Bradshaw region; work with the Learning on Country Program; develop one worrk (fire) camp, in collaboration with Yirralka; collaborate with the Yirralka Rangers to connect and ensure the roll out of our Yolŋu Knowledge Frameworks are aligning and to share our successes and learnings, cultural burning, develop protocols and evaluation and monitoring for Country, develop new research collaborations and sea Country management approaches. |
| TIWI RESOURCES PTY LTD as trustee for the Tiwi Resources Trust | Tiwi Weed Management Program Toyota 4WD & Spray Unit | In 2022 Tiwi Resources received $28,250 in ARGP funding to develop a Tiwi Weed Management Plan. The Plan states that all Tiwi WONS and Acacia mangium plantation wildlings on Bathurst Island are eradicable and Class B weeds can be reduced to core infestations. This is exceptionally positive news - in the face of so many land management challenges, the prospect of eradicating these devastating weeds has boosted our spirits. However, we now urgently need funding for a 4WD vehicle and spray unit to start control before the coming wet season promotes the further spread of all weeds. |
| Central Land Council - Ltyentye Apurte Rangers | Ltyentye Apurte Ranger office & bathroom upgrades | The Central Land Councils Ltyentye Apurte Ranger team at Santa Teresa is comprised of 8 male and 2 female rangers, and community members have requested an increase in identified female ranger positions. The aging amenities need refurbishing including shower recess and two sinks for WHS reasons, and to allow women to have their own toilet. The very small Ltyentye Apurte ranger office sits within the ranger shed, and there is a need to extend this office and enclose it with two walls, a door and a ceiling, allowing rangers to meet and plan activities. |
| North Australian Indigenous Land And Sea Management Alliance Limited | Namultja Aboriginal Corporation Vehicle | NAILSMA applied for a capital grant to purchase a vehicle and field equipment on behalf of the Namultja Aboriginal Corporation to enable Marra to implement their Marranbala Land and Sea Country Plan 2022-2032. Namultja is currently working through a development and capacity building stage, with the Marra ranger group the next step towards implementing their Plan, and therefore require access to an appropriate vehicle and field equipment. |
| Thamarrurr Development Corporation Ltd | Enhancing Conservation Impact: Building a Boat Shed for Thamarrurr Rangers in Wadeye | This grant will support the construction of a secure 30x14m drive through shed to store boats, vehicles, tools, equipment, supplies, workshop space, washdown facilities etc. By ensuring the safety and accessibility of these assets, the rangers can enhance their effectiveness and sustainability in their land and sea management tasks. This new shed will directly address safety concerns and equip the rangers to accommodate the expanding scope of healthy country activities and fostering a safer and more efficient operational environment. |
| Anindilyakwa Land Council | Improving access to recreation areas on Groote Eylandt | The Rangers manage a total of 14 public recreational areas. These tracks are long and accessible through bush. Keeping these tracks cleaned and accessible all year round has proven difficult due to reliance on external contractors, resulting in many tracks becoming overgrown beyond manual maintenance. This compact track loader (Positrack) and trailer will provide the Rangers with better access to all management sites (including Cultural Heritage sites) throughout the Anindilyakwa IPA. |
| Werenbun Association Aboriginal Corporation | Werenbun Ranger Vehicles | Werenbun Aboriginal Corporation is under-resourced and during their recent Strategic Planning sessions with the directors and members, the need for vehicles was high on the agenda. The main focus was on the creation of jobs for the Wurrkbarbar, Bolmo, Matjba clan groups. Purchasing two vehicles will assist the ranger group in supporting their current commitments and will provide ensure all team members can attend projects, with two vehicles enabling women's and men's programs to be separate should there be a need. |
| Central Land Council | Murnkurrumurnkurru-North Tanami Women's Vehicle | The Murnkurrumurnkurru Ranges, based in Daguragu, are the most remote Central Land Council (CLC) ranger group from the main office in Alice Springs. An additional vehicle will enable the rangers to work more broadly across their region and specifically, support women's aspirations. The vehicle will also support women in the North Tanami and Tennant Creek ranger groups, with whom the MM rangers work closely. For activities such as fire mitigation, where long days are spent patrolling with a car full of rangers, it will enable full involvement of women and the required resources on the ground. |
| Central Land Council | Truck and tractor for the Muru-Warinyi Ankkul Tennant Creek Ranger Base | The truck will improve capacity to move heavy loads and safely tow fleet and equipment throughout the region, while the tractor will allow ranger teams to perform a large number of activities. Both machines being available locally will provide for not only the Muru-Warinyi Ankkul Ranger group, but also the North Tanami, Murnkurrumurnkurru, and Anmatyerr teams, with effective means of completely a variety of tasks in an efficient manner. |
| Northern Land Council | Off grid solar power and storage for Indian Is field station on Kenbi ALT | An off-grid system will provide greater capability with a fridge and freezer, longer seasonal use with a small air-conditioner system, more power for operation and recharging of devices and field gear and operation of water system for cooking and cleaning. This improvement to the field station will increase the scope and range of research and works programs conducted on the island and surrounding areas. |
| Arafura Swamp Rangers Aboriginal Corporation | Improving safety and access to Gurruwiling to Care for Country | The Arafura Swamp Rangers Aboriginal Corporation (ASRAC) looks after over 1.4 million hectares of land and sea country and employs over 40 Aboriginal rangers. Ensuring the safety of staff while looking after Country is a priority. With this grant, ASRAC will remove its five quad bikes from operations and replace them with two side-by-side vehicles and a trailer to transport to remote areas. |
| Larrakia Nation Aboriginal Corporation | Hilux 4x4 Ute | This grant will replace the aging Toyota Hilux which has become unreliable and does not meet current requirements. Larrakia used this vehicle heavily in our driver training program as it is an automatic vehicle. Trainee rangers usually come to us with no licence or just L plates and we enrol them into NT Driver Safe and use this vehicle for logging training hours.  |
| Gong-Dal Aboriginal Corporation | Expanding Our Mutjung Ranger Program | Recently, Western Miyarrka Waṯangu Mala established Mutjung Rangers as an independent ranger group through Gong-Dal Aboriginal Corporation (GDAC) so we can manage our land and sea country ourselves. This grant funds resources and infrastructure we deem essential for us to keep caring for our Western Miyarrka country and Homelands safely and well, and to achieve priority Targets and Goals in our Healthy Country Plan – a 4WD vehicle; trackers; fire-fighting, weed-spraying and camping equipment; and the upgrade of a container and adjacent area to provide a secure, waterproof storage area. |
| Central Land Council | Aputula Ranger Compound Fencing (Finke community) | Approvals for funding and construction of a Ranger office, shed and house for a Ranger Coordinator have been obtained and works are planned to begin in November 2023. Once the new office, shed and accommodation are built, it will all need to be protected (fenced) for safety and security reasons. |
| Mimal Land Management Aboriginal Corporation | Equipment for new programs and increased maintenance for efforts for the Mimal Indigenous Protected Areas and Indigenous Ranger teams. | Mimal priorities include improving liveability, infrastructure, activities and programs for the community who reside in outstations or desire to return. Working with the community underpins all of the key objectives identified in the Mimal IPA Plan to build capacity, community, a strong culture, and a healthy country. Access to a versatile telehandler will enable Rangers and the community to undertake many tasks with one piece of equipment, and the Lucas sawmill opens many new opportunities. |
| Central Land Council | Murnkurrumurnkurru Ranger Group Office | The CLC Murnkurrumurnkurru Ranger Office in Daguragu was flooded in March 2023, resulting in serious damage to the building. CLC now needs repair the old Daguragu office that is in the floodout and move the ranger office to nearby Kalkarindji. This critical infrastructure project will allow the ranger group to continue and grow. |
| Larrakia Nation Aboriginal Corporation | Light truck | Replacement for aging canter tip truck which has become unreliable and does not meet current requirements. We use this vehicle heavily over the wet season in our spray contracting and also as a fire fighting tender and moving equipment and material for other jobs, such as weed management and contracting which has become a large part of our business.  |
| Northern Land Council | Wardaman Remote Ranger base infrastructure | Wardaman has had a ranger program for over 10 years and has not had a designated base to work from, keep equipment securely on country, hold country camps, or help traditional owners access country on a regular basis due to lack of facilities.Having permanent infrastructure will give Wardaman people a place for rangers to base themselves to do work on country without having to travel all the way back to Katherine, somewhere to securely store equipment.  |