

Extensive Prawn Farming Initiative

*Piloting the feasibility phase of extensive prawn farming development
in northern Australia*

Expression of Interest Form

Help with the EOI application

Please register your interest in attending an online Q&A webcast session about the EOI by emailing extensive.prawns@csiro.au. Two online Q&A webcast sessions have been arranged, see EOI guidelines in section A7 for dates and times.

If you have missed the Q&A session and/or need assistance with clarifying any aspects of the EOI application please email us at the above email address

Applications must be completed in full before submitting, below is a checklist to assist

Checklist for applicants

| | Yes | No | Not applicable |
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| Have you answered all the below EOI questions | | | |
| Are you aware of EOI key dates and the EOI process involving the shortlisted phase | | | |
| Do you meet all the eligibility criteria | | | |
| Do you meet all the Pilot requirement conditions | | | |
| Are you compliant with your incorporating legislation | | | |
| Have you attached a map of your Country that identifies the area that your entity has controlling rights and/or interests | | | |
| Have you attached any relevant letters of support | | | |
| Have you indicated your consent to key questions | | | |
| Have you signed the EOI application form | | | |

Section A: Meeting eligibility criteria

A1: Are you an incorporated entity and Indigenous-controlled, permitted to hold assets according to its constitution or rules of incorporation?

Yes

No

A2: Do have controlling interests in at least one of the following. Tick all that apply:

Yes, Freehold titles

Yes, Leasehold titles

Yes, Native Title determined land

Yes, Management agreements

Yes, Business and Enterprise

No

A3: Do you hold or be willing to hold the required insurances

Yes

No

A4: Is the area of your Country, which identifies the area that your entity has controlling rights and/or interests, within the eligible area in northern Australia?

Yes

No

CHECK POINT: If you have selected NO to one or more of the above eligibility questions than you do not qualify to be considered within the EOI pool of applicants.



Section B: Applicant organisation

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| Organisation name: | |
| Organisation address: | |
| ABN/ACN: | |
| Are you applying as: | Incorporated entity and Indigenous controlled A body corporation and Indigenous controlled A company and Indigenous controlled Entity in the process of being incorporated |
| GST registered: | Yes No |
| Name(s): Please provide the name(s) of all the person(s) or the entity making this application | |

B2: How is your Indigenous-controlled entity set up to function? Please select all that applies, noting that all these types of entity arrangements listed below are eligible if you have ticked Yes to Question A1, A2 and A3 above.

An entity set up with the cultural authority to represent community interests

An entity that represents the economic arm of an Indigenous organisation

An entity that represents both the cultural authority and economic arms the organisation

An entity that is an Indigenous corporation

A family run entity

Other, please describe:

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Section C: Key contact during the EOI process

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| Name: Provide the name of the person who will be the main contact for the EOI | |
| Position title: | |
| Email address: | |
| Postal address: | |
| Telephone: | |



Section D: Features of the area

D1: To meet the Pilot requirements there is an expectation that you will attach a map of your Country that shows the spatial reach of your controlling interests in rights and/or interest. Can you meet this **requirement?**

Please see Appendix A on the Website

(<https://research.csiro.au/ExtensivePrawnFarming/apply/>) for an example of how to produce the map.

Yes, map is attached with this application

No

Further comments (optional):

D2: How far away is the area (i.e., map of your Country) to the nearest airport or barge?

D3: Is the area (i.e., map of your Country) likely to be cut off during the wet season and for how long?

Section E: Cultural clearance for site visit

E1: Is your Indigenous-controlled entity the same entity that represents Traditional Owner interests in obtaining the relevant permissions and informed consent to visit and work on Country and specific sites?

Yes, our entity is the relevant organisation who can provide permission to visit **all** the area within our provided map of Country

Yes, our entity is the relevant organisation who can provide permission to visit **some** areas within our provided map of Country

No, will need to seek cultural permissions through another entity or group



E2: To meet the Pilot requirements there is an expectation that if your entity is short-listed you will support CSIRO staff with obtaining the appropriate cultural permissions to undertake the essential site visit(s) to the identified area in the months following the EOI short-listed notification. Can you meet this requirement?

Yes, we plan to help support the relevant cultural permission being obtained if we make the short-listed stage

No, we do not plan to support this

Further comments (optional):

E3: Please explain how you plan to work through obtaining the informed consent and cultural permission across each relevant group with authority to speak for your Country. It is important to identify which groups need to be contacted to obtain informed consent and permission. Can you explain if there are multiple clans and/or Land Trust involved with the area.

E4: Please describe any possible concerns or tensions that could get raised by Traditional Custodians and/or Indigenous organisations about the initial exploring works with setting up a Pilot site? Please leave blank if not applicable.



Section F: Interest and willingness to work through uncertainties

F1: Is aquaculture development an aspiration or priority for your Indigenous-controlled entity? Please explain details of this aspiration or priority (e.g., included within a strategy document) and any past work or engagements to develop aquaculture.

F2: Have the risks, challenges and anticipated benefits been discussed? Please outline any details of this discussion. See Section E6.1 , E6.2 & E5.1 in the EOI guidelines related to uncertainties, risks, and anticipated benefits.

F3: In your views, how would involvement in the Pilot of extensive prawn farming deliver social, cultural and economic benefits?



F4: Has the willingness to work through uncertainties with the Pilot been discussed? Please describe how willingness is affected by the uncertainties.

F5: Are there any risks or concerns that you'd like to raise at this stage? Please leave blank if not applicable

Section G: Wider Community Support

G1: Have any activities been carried out by your Indigenous-controlled entity with discussing the Pilot among community members? Please explain who has been involved in discussions and the level of interest. Please note, we are asking this question to gauge if there have been any discussions wider than your entity, we do not intend for this question to impose any extra meetings about extensive prawn farming.



G2: Can you confirm if the Pilot of extensive prawn farming has any community support from outside your organisational entity from Traditional Custodians or Indigenous organisations in your surrounding area?

Yes, a letter of support is attached with the application

Yes, we have confirmed support but need more time to obtain an official letter of support

No, this is difficult to confirm at this stage

Further comments (optional):

Section H: Readiness and capacity to run the Pilot

H1: Please describe the range of work carried out by your Indigenous-controlled entity that is relevant to this application. Please include details of any past partnership arrangements or enterprises that you have run.



H2: Provide details of other similar projects you, your organisation and/or team, has managed? Describe up to three most relevant projects. Leave blank if not applicable.

| Name of project | Funding source | Additional Comments (e.g. is the project ongoing; stopped) |
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| 1. | | |
| 2. | | |
| 3. | | |

H3: Provide details of any established enterprise(s) managed by your entity. Leave blank if not applicable.

H4: To meet the requirements there is an expectation your entity will provide a 0.2 FTE (1 day a week) role to work through the feasibility and approval stage. Can you meet this requirement?

No

Yes. Please outline below who will be involved in this role, understanding the role can be shared.

| Name | Expertise | email |
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H5: If your entity has the capacity to provide any further contributions beyond the 0.2 FTE (1 day a week) requirement please list any in-kind contributions below. For example, additional staff to work on the initiative.



Section I: Governance and collaborative arrangements

CSIRO is committed to supporting partners to successfully deliver on projects through Indigenous-led processes. In order to ensure this, we undertake a high standard of ensuring due diligence to Indigenous governance and decision-making process. It is important that tensions arising from governance arrangements are approached respectfully.

I1: Describe details about the cultural governance arrangements in the area relevant to your provided map of Country. For example, there is a legally incorporated Prescribed Body Corporation.

I2: Describe any governance arrangements that are in place that can support or assist the setting up the Pilot. For example, steering committee for other initiatives, Prescribed Body Corporation meetings, Indigenous working groups.



I3: Please outline any information you are willing to share about the decision-making structure and processes with how your entity either individually or collectively works through decisions. For example, CEO interacts with other key staff on a regular basis. Please do not share any confidential information when outlining the decision-making model or principles.

I4: Has your organisational entity ever collaborated with any other Indigenous groups or entities in your area?

No

Difficult given tensions arising from governance arrangements

Yes. Please describe key features of this collaboration. For example, type of collaboration and length of collaboration.

Further comments about collaborations (optional):



Section J: Tenure arrangements

J1: What are the tenure arrangements over the area within the attached map of your Country?

J2: Please describe any governance bodies aligned to the tenure over the area within the attached map of your Country. For example, area occurs within a Land Trust area and the Trust has a steering committee.

Section K: Partnership

K1: To meet the Pilot requirements there is an expectation your entity would be willing to negotiate a partnership arrangement with CSIRO. Can you meet this **requirement?**

Yes, I'm prepared to negotiate a partnership arrangement with CSIRO

No, I'm not prepared to enter a partnership arrangement with CSIRO

I'm undecided

Further comments (optional):



K2: If required, would your entity be prepared to assess and negotiate the willingness to enter into an agreement with the relevant Indigenous organisation(s) who can provide the relevant cultural site clearance?

We would be supportive since it is our entity who can provide the cultural site clearance

Yes, I'm prepared to negotiate an agreement with the Indigenous organisation(s) who can provide relevant cultural site clearance

No, I'm not prepared to negotiate an agreement with the Indigenous organisation(s) who can provide relevant cultural site clearance

I'm undecided

Further comments (optional):

K3: Would your entity be prepared to assess and negotiate the opportunity to enter into a partnership arrangement with other key organisations supporting Indigenous aquaculture development?

Yes, I'm prepared to negotiate a partnership arrangement with third parties

No, I'm not prepared to enter a partnership arrangement with third parties

I'm undecided

Further comments (optional):

Section L: Willingness to share learnings

L1: To meet the Pilot requirements there is an expectation your entity would be willing to share learnings with interested Indigenous groups and the public. Can you meet this requirement?

Yes

No



L2: To meet the Pilot requirements there is an expectation your entity would be willing to co-design proposals to seek funding to support and strengthen the initiative. Can you meet this requirement?

Yes

No

L3: To meet the Pilot requirements there is an expectation your entity would be willing to consent to co-presenting on the initiative with CSIRO team members and also participating in a video production with CSIRO team members. Can you meet this requirement?

Yes

No

Section M: Consent

| | Yes | No |
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| We consent to our organisational entity name being publicly announced if we are the successful EOI applicant | | |

Section N: Declarations

I/we have read and understood the EOI guidelines for applicants and have sought appropriate advice

I/we understand what can and can't be funded by CSIRO

I/we understand that completed applications will be assessed against set criteria and requirements by a panel

I/we understand only one Indigenous-controlled entity will be successful from the pool of applicants stretching across northern Australia interest

I/we understand that if we are unsuccessful there is the provided opportunity to register to receive initiative updates and other news of any upcoming opportunities by completing the Register of Interest Form entitled CSIRO Traditional Owner Register of Interest in Science Domains available on the same webpage as this form.

I/we have read the privacy statement (in EOI guidelines section A.8 & A.9 of the Information Sheet entitled Guidelines, Pilot Expression of Interest) and agree to the collection, use and disclosure of my/our personal information in the ways described in the privacy statement.



I/we confirm that all named personnel in the EOI application form have also read the privacy statement (in guidelines section A.8 & A.9 of the Information Sheet entitled Guidelines, Pilot Expression of Interest) and agree to the collection, use and disclosure of their personal information in the ways described in the privacy statement.

I/we have the authorisation of all named personnel in the EOI application form to include their personal information in the application form provided to CSIRO and for CSIRO to contact the personnel using the contact details provided in the form for the purposes of the EOI process.

I/we solemnly declare that this is a true and correct statement of all my/our affairs

Applicant name:

Signed:

Date:

If more than one person signing the document, please include signatures below:

Applicant name:

Signed:

Date:

Applicant name:

Signed:

Date:

Applicant name:

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Date:

Submitting the EOI application

Email your completed EOI application to extensive.prawns@csiro.au

The EOI submission closes at 11pm (AEST) on Monday 1st November 2021

