



PROPERTY MANAGEMENT
PLANNING



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A PROGRAM DESIGNED FOR SMALLHOLDERS

The productive landscapes surrounding Hobart are home to many smallholdings, hobby farms and lifestyle properties. These properties bring with them a variety of opportunities and diverse landholder needs..

NRM South's Property Management Planning (PMP) Program is designed for small properties typically ranging in size from 5 to 100 hectares. These smaller farms have different needs compared to larger properties and our PMP has been tailored to meet these needs.

The program is being delivered annually from 2024-2028 in the Huon Valley, Coal Valley and Channel region, and supports smallholders in managing their properties sustainably, connects them to local networks and builds their knowledge in a range of land management topics.

Our 2026 series of workshops will run between late January and early May 2026 in the Coal Valley region. Our PMP workshops build on our popular and successful Small Farm Planning Program, which ran in the Huon Valley from 2012-2018.



ABOUT THE PROGRAM



Property Management Planning (PMP) is a process for developing and documenting your visions and goals for your property, recording natural resources and planning the management of your property with a focus on protecting and improving the health of those resources. The process includes:

- 1** Identifying your property's natural assets, capability and management needs
- 2** Identifying your property vision, lifestyle goals, and family, environmental and financial aspirations
- 3** Assessing your resource and management risks
- 4** Using maps to plan management options
- 5** Preparing an action plan
- 6** Implementing your plan



Six workshops will be held during weekends at participant properties. The workshops will take a practical, hands-on approach, and will include topics including soil health, grazing management, and managing native vegetation, browsing mammals, weeds and water.

Participants will be guided through the development of a Property Management Plan, with support from the project team, which can be used to guide management decisions as well as demonstrating a commitment to the environment and natural resources.

Participants will also receive personalised property maps, fact sheets and other information resources. The program can accommodate up to 15 properties and will provide opportunities for networking with other landowners and learning from technical experts. Participants may need to allow time to continue working on their property plans outside of scheduled workshops.

By the end of the program, participants will have developed their skills and knowledge in a range of topics from property planning to grazing and soil management.

COST

Participants are required to make a contribution towards the cost of the program of \$350 per property (maximum of two individuals).

WORKSHOP DATES AND DETAILS

Work shop	Topics covered	Date
1	Property planning and mapping; land stewardship	31.01.26
2	Water 101; Soil 101	21.02.26
3	Managing pastures & the impact of native browsers	14.03.26
4	Managing weeds; revegetation	28.03.26
5	Biosecurity; animal welfare; fencing; native vegetation	11.04.26
6	Sustainable farming ; action planning; planning with maps revisited; Local Networks	02.05.26

APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply for a spot in our workshops, please complete an Expression of Interest form. While this round of PMP workshops is targeted towards smallholders in the Coal Valley, we also welcome applicants from the surrounding Tasman and Sorell regions. Places are limited and some applications may be unsuccessful. Successful applicants will be notified in writing by the end of December, alongside additional information about the program (venues and timings). Unsuccessful applicants will be notified in writing by the end of December and NRM South will advise them of any other opportunities to participate in field days or access relevant information.

Key dates:

Applications open: October 30 2025

Applications close: 5pm, December 8 2025

Successful applicant notification: By December 10 2025

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