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## NSW CATTLE UNDERPASS SCHEME

Farmers across NSW are eligible to receive government grants towards the cost of building cattle underpasses, to ensure livestock can safely move between paddocks separated by a State road. The NSW Government has committed up to \$3 million in grants for farmers, to build cattle underpasses and install warning signs and flashing lights, to help ensure safety for producers and motorists.

Local councils as road authorities will play an important role in the implementation of the Department of Primary Industries' recently launched Cattle Underpass Scheme (CUPS). When Council is the road authority its role is to guide the applicant through the process of planning and obtaining appropriate permits / approvals as required, for construction of the underpass (or installation of the sign and flashing lights). If Roads and Maritime Services is the road authority council is requested to refer the applicant to the relevant regional office of the Roads and Maritime Services.

The CUPS Guidelines, Application Form, Frequently Asked Questions, Information for Contractors and Information for Local Councils are available from the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) website. The DPI website will also have links to the Roads and Maritime Services website to access standard drawings for cattle underpasses and specifications for the flashing light sign for cattle crossing the road.

Round 1 applications will close Wednesday 31 October 2018. Every application received will be assessed against eligibility criteria listed in the Cattle Underpass Scheme guidelines.

More information about eligibility and application requirements is available from <https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/cups>

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