



**Australian Government**  
**Department of the Environment**

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

**GREEN ARMY PROGRAMME DRAFT STATEMENT OF REQUIREMENTS**

**What is the draft Statement of Requirements?**

The draft Statement of Requirements outlines the proposed services required by the Australian Government to deliver the Green Army programme. The Australian Government is seeking comment from the public on the draft Statement of Requirements to help inform the development of a request for tender. The request for tender will define the specific services required by the Australian Government

**Who should submit comments on the draft Statement of Requirements?**

Anyone is welcome to submit comments, however comments from prospective service providers, project sponsors and participants and those with previous relevant experience in similar programmes would be of particular value.

**How do I submit comments on the draft Statement of Requirements?**

All comments should be sent by email to [greenarmy@environment.gov.au](mailto:greenarmy@environment.gov.au).

If you are unable to submit your comments by email, you may submit them by post to the following address:

The Green Army  
The Department of the Environment  
GPO Box 787  
Canberra ACT, 2601

Please contact the Green Army hotline on 1800 780 730 if you require any assistance.

**When is the closing date for comments?**

The draft statement of requirements will be available for comment until 3:00PM AEDT Tuesday, 4 February 2014.

**When will the request for tender open?**

The request for tender will open during the first quarter of 2014. The request for tender will be released on [AusTender](#) and we encourage potential service providers to sign up to AusTender in order to receive notification once the request for tender is released. Registration on AusTender is free of charge.

**What length of time will service providers be appointed for?**

Service providers will be appointed for three years, with a possible option to extend the contract for a further two years.

## **How will the Green Army programme work?**

There are three key steps:

1. **Develop a Green Army project: project sponsors**, such as local councils, community groups or natural resource management organisations, will develop a proposal for a Green Army project. Project sponsors will be able to submit their proposal to the Department of the Environment throughout the year. Twice a year the Department of the Environment will assess the applications and make recommendations for projects to the Minister for the Environment.
2. **Set up a Green Army team: service provider/s contracted by the Australian Government** will liaise with successful project sponsors and arrange for a Green Army team to be deployed to approved Green Army projects. Service providers will recruit, manage and train participants, engage a team supervisor and will be responsible for delivery of the Green Army team activities.
3. **Carry out the Green Army project:** The Green Army team will carry out the approved Green Army project, working closely with the Project Sponsor.

## **When will the Green Army Programme Start?**

The Green Army Programme will commence from July 2014.

## **I have a great idea for a Green Army project, how do I put it forward?**

Applications for the first round of Green Army projects will open in early 2014, with the first projects expected to commence from July 2014. For further information, keep an eye on our website at: [www.environment.gov.au/topics/cleaner-environment/clean-land/green-army](http://www.environment.gov.au/topics/cleaner-environment/clean-land/green-army).

## **How do I get involved as a participant?**

The Green Army Programme will initially be open to young Australians aged 17-24 years. Further information on how to get involved in a Green Army team will be available soon on our website at: [www.environment.gov.au/topics/cleaner-environment/clean-land/green-army](http://www.environment.gov.au/topics/cleaner-environment/clean-land/green-army).

## **Are the guidelines for the selection of Green Army projects available?**

Guidelines for the selection of Green Army projects will become available when applications for the first round of Green Army Projects open in early 2014. For further information, keep an eye on our website at: [www.environment.gov.au/topics/cleaner-environment/clean-land/green-army](http://www.environment.gov.au/topics/cleaner-environment/clean-land/green-army).

## **Where can I go for more information on the Green Army programme?**

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