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## Ensuring the health of Tasmania's waterways

The Tasmanian Government is committed to working shoulder to shoulder with the state's dairy industry.

In a bid to improve the health of Tasmania's waterways, we are providing an additional \$100,000 in funding for the Cows out of Creeks program.

Under the program, \$5,000 grants will be provided to 20 farmers across the state to build infrastructure and install off-stream watering system aimed at preventing cows from accessing waterways.

This funding commitment follows the success of the past seven rounds of the Clean Rivers and Cows out of Creeks programs.

Today I was pleased to join the Howe family at Caveside in the state's north to announce the latest round of funding for the program which has assisted farmers to sustainably grow their businesses while protecting Tasmania's precious waterways. It has also helped to ensure that livestock are drinking clean water and are healthier, and by removing livestock from our waterways, we are reducing the nutrient, sediment and pathogen loads entering them.

The Program compliments our significant funding of Landcare and Natural Resource Management projects and is another measure that will assist us to reach our goal to increase the farm gate value of agriculture to \$10 billion by 2050.

The fund will be managed by Dairy Tasmania and administered by DPIPW's Agriculture and Water division.

For more information about the program and the DairyTas Clean Rivers mission visit <https://www.dairyaustralia.com.au/dairytas>