

# **Disaster Ready Fund**

2024/25 Annual Report

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#### **Acknowledgement of Country**

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## Introduction

This annual report has been prepared by the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) on behalf of the Hon Kristy McBain MP, the Minister for Emergency Management. This report is published in accordance with section 26A(1) of the *Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019* (Cth) (the Act), which states that as soon as practicable after the end of each financial year an annual report must be prepared on the exercise of the Minister's functions and powers under section 20 of the Act.

Section 20 of the Act outlines the power of the Minister for Emergency Management to make arrangements with or grant financial assistance on behalf of the Commonwealth to a person or body for various purposes. Those purposes are resilience to a future natural disaster, preparedness for a future natural disaster, education of the risk of a future natural disaster or the long-term sustainability of a community or communities in an area that is at risk of being affected by a future natural disaster.

## **Disaster Ready Fund Round Two Process**

During 2024/25, the Disaster Ready Fund (DRF) Round Two program was administered to identify projects and funding opportunities under the DRF.

In 2024/25, Senator the Hon Murray Watt, the then Minister for Emergency Management (the Emergency Management Minister), committed a total of \$200,000,000 through arrangements or grants, in accordance with section 20 of the Act.

#### **Disaster Ready Fund Round Two - Process**

The DRF Round Two program was conducted in accordance with the DRF Round Two Guidelines (the Guidelines) at Annexure 1.

The DRF Round Two program was delivered in partnership with state and territory government counterparts.

In December 2023, both the Minister for Emergency Management, then the Senator the Hon Murray Watt and NEMA's Coordinator General, Mr Brendan Moon AM, wrote to state and territory counterparts to advise them of the release of DRF Round Two Guidelines; and to confirm that states and territories would again work with local governments and communities to develop DRF project proposals and submit these to NEMA on behalf of their jurisdiction.

#### Lead Agencies were:

- The New South Wales Reconstruction Authority
- Emergency Management Victoria
- The Queensland Reconstruction Authority
- The Department of Fire and Emergency Services, Western Australia
- The South Australian Fire and Emergency Services Commission
- Resilience and Recovery Tasmania, Department of Premier and Cabinet
- Justice and Safety Directorate, Australian Capital Territory, and
- Northern Territory Emergency Services.

NEMA published Round Two Guidelines on 15 December 2023, setting out the requirements for proposals. Australian communities had several months to apply through state and territory Emergency Service leadagencies, with applications open from Monday, 22 January to Wednesday, 20 March 2024.

State and territory government emergency management agencies worked with local governments and communities to develop DRF Round Two project proposals. This process helped to ensure proposals aligned with regional risk mitigation plans and local priorities for investment in resilience. It also enabled state, territory and applicant investment in disaster resilience through co-contributions.

For DRF Round Two, applicants in the Indian Ocean Territories could apply. This was coordinated in Western Australia through the Department of Fire and Emergency Services Commission, with proposals endorsed by the Australian Government Minister responsible for Territories.

NEMA opened its application process to lead agencies only on 5 February. This process remained open until 29 April 2024. For the purposes of the DRF Round Two program, the nominated lead agency for each jurisdiction is the Applicant.

For applications received under DRF Round Two, Applicants were required to obtain Ministerial endorsement from their relevant state or territory government Minister:

- New South Wales projects were endorsed by the Hon Jihad Dib MP, Minister for Emergency Services on 4 May 2024.
- Victorian projects were endorsed by the Hon Jaclyn Symes MP, Attorney General and Minister for Emergency Services on 7 May 2024.
- Queensland projects were endorsed by the Hon Nikki Boyd MP, the Minister for Fire and Disaster Recovery on 15 May 2024.
- Western Australian projects were endorsed by the Hon Stephen Dawson MLC, Minister for Emergency Services on 26 April 2024.
- South Australian projects were endorsed by the Hon Dan Cregan MP, Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services on 29 April 2024.
- Tasmanian projects were endorsed by the Premier of Tasmania, the Hon Jeremy Rockliff MP on 13 May 2024.
- Australian Capital Territory projects were endorsed by Mick Gentleman MLA, Minister for Police and Emergency Services on 23 April 2024.
- Northern Territory projects were endorsed by the Hon Brent Potter MLA, Minister for Fire and Emergency Services on 8 May 2024.
- Indian Ocean Territories projects were endorsed by the Hon Kristy Mc Bain MP, Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories on 27 March 2024.

NEMA received 10 overarching cover applications, one from each Lead Agency across Australian states and territories, one for Christmas Island, and one for Cocos (Keeling) Islands. NEMA received 502 proposals across DRF Round Two.

NEMA conducted compliance and eligibility checks of project applications against the Guidelines. A Merit Assessment was undertaken by an assessment panel consisting of internal NEMA and other Australian Government agency representatives, as well as non-government representatives. In accordance with the Guidelines, Assessors gave consideration to DRF objectives, investment principles, and strategic alignment to the National Disaster Risk Reduction Framework and the National Strategy for Disaster Resilience, and value for money.

On completion of the assessment process, NEMA recommended to the Minister for Emergency Management \$199,624,450 worth of Commonwealth funding for 165 separate projects. The Minister for Emergency Management, then Senator the Hon Murray Watt, agreed to NEMA's recommendations on 27 July 2024. Following this, Senator the Hon Jenny McAllister was appointed the Minister for Emergency Management.

On 28 August 2024, the Australian Government announced \$200 million for 164 projects under the DRF Round 2. Following the Minister's announcement, several successful projects were withdrawn or requested changes. The Minister for Emergency Management considered project changes and alternative projects (in cases where projects could not proceed) based on merit and Panel recommendations.

On 20 November 2024, Minister McAllister, the former Minister for Emergency Management, agreed to fund a total of 171 projects under DRF Round Two for a total amount of \$200 million Commonwealth contribution (including a 1.5% administration component in accordance with the DRF Round Two Guidelines – 2024/25). Amendments to state and territory Federation Funding Agreement – Environment (FFA) schedules reflecting this decision followed, and were executed on behalf of the Commonwealth, under the Federation Funding Agreements Framework. A copy of each FFA is included at Annexure 2. Details of particular projects funded under each agreement are listed at Attachment A of each agreement.

#### Disaster Ready Fund Round Two - Timeline of Key Events

13 October 2023 – 19 January 2024	Tasmania conducted an Expression of Interest Process
6 November – 8 December 2023	New South Wales conducted an Expression of Interest Process
November – December 2023	South Australia Expression of Interest Process
November 2023 – 22 January 2024	Western Australia Expression of Interest Process
15 December 2023	DRF Round Two Guidelines published by NEMA
22 January 2024	State and territory applications opened
05 February 2024	NEMA opened application portal to Lead Agencies
20 March 2024	State and territory applications closed
29 April 2024	NEMA applications closed
2 -14 May 2024	NEMA pre-assessment checks and inter-departmental review process occurred
20 May – 14 June 2024	Panel independent assessment occurred
25 – 28 June 2024	Project Merit Assessment Panel met.
11 July 2024	Project and funding recommendations provided to the Minister for Emergency Management for consideration
27 July 2024	Minister for Emergency Management (Minister Watt) agreed to NEMA DRF Round Two project funding recommendations.

28 August 2024	Minister for Emergency Management announced successful projects.
20 November 2024	Minister for Emergency Management agreed to updated funding recommendations resulting from several withdrawals.
27 November 2024	Minister for Emergency Management signed Federation Funding Agreement schedules with all states and territories to provide funding under the DRF Round Two

# **Arrangements and Grants**

For 2024/25, the Emergency Management Minister on behalf of the Commonwealth, entered into Federation Funding Agreement Schedules with state and territories under the Federation Funding Agreements Framework. The relevant agreements are included at **Annexure 2**.

Party to the Agreement	Funding Agreement Value (includes 1.5% administration fee)	Details of individual projects funded	Date of signing by Minister for Emergency Management	Date of Execution (co-signing by State / Territory Minister)	Date of Payment	Executed by**:
New South Wales	\$42,078,559.64	See Annexure 2A pages 52-80	27/11/2024	16/12/2024	7/02/2025	Hon Jihad Dib MP, Minister for Customer Service and Digital Government Minister for Emergency Services Minister for Youth Justice
Victoria	\$37,676,910.64	See Annexure 2B pages 81-114	11/12/2024	18/12/2024	7/02/2025	Hon Jaclyn Symes MP, Attorney General Minister for Emergency Services
Queensland	\$29,743,041.34	See Annexure	27/11/2024	17/03/2025	7/04/2025	Hon Ann Leahy MP, Minister for Local

		2C pages 115-144				Government and Water Minister for Fire, Disaster Recovery and Volunteers
Western Australia	\$38,322,129.90	See Annexure 2D pages 145-177	27/11/2024	12/12/2024	7/02/2025	Hon Stephen Dawson MLC, Minister for Emergency Services Minister for Innovation and the Digital Economy Minister for Science Minister for Medical Research Minister assisting the Minister for State and Industry Development Minister for Jobs and Trade
South Australia	\$20,546,278.58	See Annexure 2E pages 178-200	27/11/2024	18/12/2024	7/02/2025	Hon Dan Cregan MP, Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services Special Minister of State
Tasmania	\$7,689,798.33	See Annexure 2F pages 201-223	11/12/2024	13/01/2025	7/02/2025	Hon Jeremy Rockliff Premier Minister for Tourism Minister for Trade and

						Major Investment
Australian Capital Territory	\$7,614,833.45	See Annexure 2G pages 224-237	27/11/2024	4/03/2025	7/04/2025	Dr Marisa Paterson MLA Minister for Police Fire and Emergency Services Minister for
						Women Minister for Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence Minister for Corrections Minister for Gaming Reform
Northern Territory	\$16,328,448.12	See Annexure 2H pages 238-249	27/11/2024	24/12/2024	7/02/2025	Hon Lia Finocchiaro MLA Chief Minister Minister for Police Minister for Fire and Emergency Services Minister for Defence NT Minister for Territory Coordinator

<sup>\*\*</sup>The Executing Ministers are in some cases different than the Ministers who endorsed projects. This is due to changes in Ministerial roles as a result of elections in Queensland, ACT and the Northern Territory.

## **Unsuccessful Applications**

In 2024-25, applications under DRF Round Two were received from the Lead Agencies for each state and territory. Western Australia coordinated applications on behalf of the Indian Ocean Territories: one for Christmas Island, and one for Cocos (Keeling) Islands.

Under the Act, the identity of the Applicant and the details of each unsuccessful project application can only be included in the annual report where the Applicant provides consent in writing.

NEMA sought written consent from Applicants (the Lead Agency in each state/territory) to provide the details of unsuccessful projects. Lead Agencies did <u>not</u> consent to the publication of individual project titles and descriptions. NEMA does, however, have the written consent of Lead Agencies to provide the information set out in the table below.

Projects Sought		Successful Pro	jects	Unsuccessful Projects		
Applicant	Funding sought	Number of Projects	Value of Agreed Funding**	Number of Projects	Value of Unsuccessful Project ***	Number of Projects**
New South Wales	\$114,589,290	58	\$41,456,709	30	\$73,132,581	28
Victoria*	-	-	\$37,120,109	34	-	-
Queensland	\$243,539,325	134	\$29,303,489	28	\$214,235,836	106
Western Australia*	-	-	\$37,755,793	30	-	-
South Australian	\$47,748,131	45	\$20,242,639	19	\$27,505,492	26
Tasmania,	\$21,322,874	46	\$7,576,156	17	\$13,746,718	29
Australian Capital Territory	\$12,114,304	13	\$7,502,298.97	9	\$4,612,005.03	4
Northern Territory	\$73,041,951	20	\$16,087,141	4	\$56,954,810	16
Indian Ocean Territories	\$16,111,565	2	\$0	0	\$16,111,565	2

#### Notes:

<sup>\*</sup> The Lead Agencies for Victoria and Western Australia have not consented to publication of the number of unsuccessful projects or the quantum value of those projects.

<sup>\*\*</sup> This includes funding for projects which were successful in receiving partial or full funding as requested through Disaster Ready Fund Round Two, but excludes the 1.5% administration fee).

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> This includes unsuccessful eligible and ineligible Disaster Ready Fund Round Two project applications.

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# **Annexure 1 - DRF Round Two Guidelines 2024-25**



# Disaster Ready Fund

**Round Two Guidelines 2024-25** 

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# Disaster Ready Fund (DRF) Round Two Guidelines

Funding Round	Round Two (2), 2024-25
Australian Government policy entity and DRF administering entity	National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA)
Type of opportunity	Closed-competitive
Dates for proposals to be submitted to state and territory government Lead Agencies:	Lead Agencies open: 9.00am (local time in their jurisdiction) on Monday <b>22 January 2024</b> Lead Agencies close: 5.00pm (local time in their jurisdiction) on Wednesday <b>20 March 2024</b>
Date for applications to be submitted by Lead Agencies to NEMA	NEMA opens for applications from Lead Agencies: 9.00am AEDT on Monday <b>5 February 2024</b> NEMA closes for applications: 5.00pm AEST on Monday <b>29 April 2024</b>
Enquiries:	Applicants should submit questions to the Lead Agency in their state or territory – details are available at:  www.nema.gov.au/programs/disaster-ready-fund/round-two  Lead Agencies should submit questions to NEMA at:  Disaster.ready@nema.gov.au
Date Guidelines released:	15 December 2023

Please note: The Round Two Guidelines contain process and policy changes which may not apply to Round One (2023-24). For information about Round One refer to the <u>Disaster Ready Fund Guidelines</u> – Round One 2023-24.

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# 1. Disaster Ready Fund (DRF) Process Overview

# 1. Applicants develop project proposals (Guidelines sections 2-7)

Applicants develop Round Two project proposals

- Applicants should review these DRF Guidelines and develop project proposals in consultation with local government and other relevant stakeholders (e.g. First Nations peoples, local communities, delivery partners, academia). Proposals should address all requirements outlined in the Guidelines, including but not limited to aligning with eligibility requirements, the DRF objectives, selection criteria, be fully costed and supported by evidence.
- Applicants must provide a 50 per cent co-contribution (cash or in-kind), or consider their eligibility to request a waiver or partial-waiver.
- Applicants developing **multi-jurisdictional or national** project proposals must consult with all relevant Lead Agencies and identify one Lead Agency to coordinate the proposal.

# 2. Submit to Lead Agencies (Guidelines section 3.2)

Applicants summit their project proposal to a Lead Agency

- Applicants must submit their project proposal(s) to a Lead Agency (or multiple Lead Agencies where
  projects have been tailored for delivery in different states and territories). The submission process
  and requirements may vary by state and territory, with some requiring participation in an Expression
  of Interest process please check the relevant Lead Agency website (Lead Agencies are listed on
  NEMA's website).
  - o Applicants who have developed one proposal that involves collaboration or delivery across multiple states and territories must submit through one Lead Agency which has agreed to coordinate the proposal and obtain endorsement from the relevant minister in its jurisdiction.
  - o Applicants who have developed proposals for delivery in the Indian Ocean Territories must apply to the Lead Agency for Western Australia.

# 3. Review and endorse (Guidelines section 3.2)

Lead Agencies review and categorise projects, and seek minister endorsement

- Lead Agencies must review project proposals and categorise each as 'Highly Suitable', 'Suitable' or 'Not Suitable'. Lead Agencies must ensure any proposals with a place-based focus have been consulted through relevant local governments and First Nations peoples and/or land councils.
- The Lead Agencies seek ministerial endorsement of suitable proposals (i.e. written agreement for the projects to be submitted to the NEMA for assessment).
  - o Multi-jurisdictional projects only require formal endorsement from one minister (facilitated by the Lead Agency coordinating the proposal).
  - o Project proposals for the Indian Ocean Territories must be endorsed by the Australian Government Minister responsible for Territories.

# 4. Apply to NEMA (Guidelines section 8)

Lead Agencies submit projects to NEMA for assessment

- Lead Agencies must submit the 'Highly Suitable' and 'Suitable' to NEMA through the online application portal by the NEMA closing date for applications.
  - o Lead Agencies will also need to provide an application cover sheet which summarises the number, titles and categories ('Highly Suitable' and 'Suitable') of all projects submitted, as well as

funding amounts, confirmation of ministerial endorsement as well as information about the application and categorisation approach. NEMA will provide further instruction to Lead Agencies on the process for submitting the Application Cover Sheet. The Lead Agency for Western Australia will submit proposals on behalf of the Indian Ocean Territories.

# **5.** Pre-assessment checks (Guidelines section 9)

NEMA reviews eligibility of submissions

• The NEMA Program Delegate (Assistant Coordinator-General) will conduct an initial review of projects against the DRF eligibility criteria. Eligible projects will be referred to the DRF Assessment Panel/s (the Panel or Panel/s).

#### 6. Panel assessment

(Guidelines section 9)

DRF Assessment Panel/s assesses applications

- The Panel/s will assess each eligible proposal in accordance with the Round Two DRF Guidelines, as well as consider applications for waivers of the 50 per cent co-contribution requirement.
- The Panel/s may seek advice from other Commonwealth Government departments or agencies about the suitability of any proposal.

# 7. Funding decisions (Guidelines sections 9-10)

The Minister for Emergency Management decides which projects will receive funding

- The Panel/s will make recommendations to the Minister for Emergency Management (the Minister) through NEMA's Coordinator-General.
- The Minister, as the final decision maker, will decide which projects will be funded.
- The Minister will publicly announce the projects to receive funding under the DRF. NEMA will publish successful projects on its website.

# 8. Schedules established (Guidelines sections 10)

NEMA negotiates Schedules (funding agreements) with each Lead Agency

- Once Lead Agencies are notified of the Minister's decision, NEMA will commence negotiating Schedules (funding agreements) with successful Lead Agencies, including audit and reporting requirements.
- The Minister and the relevant minister(s) for each successful state or territory will co-sign the Schedule.
- Concurrently, Lead Agencies will develop Implementation Plans with project proponents.

#### 9. Delivery of funds

(Guidelines section 10.2)

Australian Government funds paid for successful projects

- The Australian Government Department of Treasury will transfer funding, including any administration support funding to each successful Lead Agency as a single, upfront payment in accordance with the requirements of the DRF Act.
  - Western Australia will receive funds for any successful projects in the Indian Ocean Territories and transfer these funds to the Applicant.

# **10. Endorsement of Implementation Plans** (Guidelines section 10.3)

NEMA reviews and endorses Implementation Plans developed by Lead Agencies

- NEMA must receive completed Implementation Plans from Lead Agencies for their projects, within three months of the Schedule being co-signed.
- Once NEMA Executive have reviewed and endorsed the Implementation Plan, projects covered by that Implementation Plan may formally commence.
- While every effort will be made to ensure prompt payment and project commencement, Applicants should discuss payment timeframes with their Lead Agency.

11. Project commencement (Guidelines section 10.3)

Work commences on successful DRF projects

**12. Monitoring and reporting** (Guidelines section 11)

Lead Agencies report on progress

- NEMA will monitor project delivery through agreed reporting mechanisms.
  - The Lead Agency for Western Australia will report on any successful Indian Ocean Territory projects.

**13. Publication** (Guidelines section 12)

NEMA publishes an annual report on any funding arrangements made in the previous financial year.

**14. Evaluation** (Guidelines section 11.5 - 12)

NEMA evaluates the effectiveness of projects and the DRF

 NEMA will evaluate the effectiveness of DRF funded projects based on information provided through agreed reporting mechanisms. NEMA may undertake additional data collection activities such as interviews with Lead Agencies and Applicants as part of this evaluation process.

### 2. About

### 2.1 About the National Emergency Management Agency

The National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) was established on <u>1 September 2022</u> to drive a more coordinated approach to preparing for and responding to disasters. NEMA's strategic objectives include leading and coordinating national action and assistance across the emergency management continuum and contributing to saving lives, reducing harm, and maintaining public trust to mitigate the consequences of disasters and build back better through investment in people, capabilities and communities.

#### 2.2 About the DRF

Australia's disaster risk continues to increase, and new risks are emerging at an accelerated pace. Extreme heat, flooding and bushfires, along with other natural hazards, will increasingly impact the wellbeing and functioning of our communities, our environment and our economy.

The Australian Government is committed to reducing the physical, social and economic impacts of disasters and ensuring that communities are in the best possible position to recover when disasters occur. To achieve this, the Australian Government is investing up to \$200 million per financial year through the DRF over five years, from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2028 (up to \$1 billion total) to deliver projects that build Australia's resilience, improve preparedness and reduce disaster risk. The DRF is intended to be an enduring fund, to provide all levels of government, affected communities and other relevant stakeholders the certainty and support they need to plan for disaster events.

The DRF was established under the *Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019* (DRF Act), following passage of the Emergency Response Fund Amendment (Disaster Ready Fund) Bill 2022 on 23 November 2022.

NEMA's website is the authoritative source for information on the DRF, and Lead Agencies' websites will provide information about state and territory specific DRF grant application processes. Any amendments to the DRF program or guidelines will be published on NEMA's website. Applicants are encouraged to check the website for updates, as well as the Lead Agency's website in their state or territory.

#### **Previous DRF Rounds**

Round One (2023-24) of the DRF opened in January 2023, and closed in March 2023. The Australian Government Minister for Emergency Management (the Minister), announced 187 successful projects with \$200 million of Australian Government investment on 7 June 2023. All projects funded under Round One in 2023-24 are outlined on the DRF Round One page of NEMA's website.

#### 2.3 Strategic alignment

The National Disaster Risk Reduction Framework and the National Strategy for Disaster Resilience are the overarching frameworks guiding Australia's efforts to reduce disaster risk and improve Australia's disaster resilience. National Action Plans and the Australian Government's disaster risk reduction programs, including DRF, put these frameworks into practice.

The <u>Second National Action Plan</u> to implement the National Disaster Risk Reduction Framework was endorsed by National Emergency Management Ministers on 25 August 2023. The Plan drives coordinated action across Australian society so that individuals, communities, sectors and governments are working together towards common disaster risk reduction goals.

The Second National Action Plan identifies four key priorities underpinned by National Actions:

- 1. Understand disaster risk
- 2. Accountable decisions
- 3. Enhanced investment
- 4. Governance, ownership, and responsibility.

The DRF supports implementation of the Second National Action Plan by providing a funding stream for preparedness and risk reduction activities at the community level.

#### 2.4 DRF Objectives and Investment Principles

The DRF's Objectives are to:

- 1. **increase the understanding of natural hazard disaster impacts**, as a first step towards reducing disaster impacts in the future;
- 2. increase the resilience, adaptive capacity and/or preparedness of governments, community service organisations and affected communities to minimise the potential impact of natural hazards and avert disasters; and
- reduce the exposure to risk, harm and/or severity of a natural hazard's impacts, including reducing the recovery burden for governments, cohorts at disproportionate disaster risk, and/or affected communities.

The objectives are underpinned by the DRF Investment Principles which guide DRF investment decisions. The Investment Principles are incorporated into DRF activity types and selection criteria, to encourage projects that are:

- 1. **Risk informed:** Proposals draw on evidence of disaster risk (e.g. risk assessments) when outlining case for funding.
- 2. **Aligned with plans:** Proposals align with existing national, state and territory, and local hazard mitigation and resilience or adaptation plans, or provide evidence that the planning process is underway. Where plans do not exist or are in development, proposals could support the development of those plans.
- 3. **Priority targeted:** Proposals demonstrate alignment with the Second National Action Plan National Actions.
- 4. **Diverse and equitable:** Investment decisions support outcomes across a broad range of natural hazard and project types, geographic areas (including both urban and regional/remote locations), domains (including the social, built and natural environments), and consider the DRF's potential population impact (including a project's relative per-capita benefit).

## 3. Project Proposals

#### 3.1 Who can apply

Anyone can develop a DRF proposal, however only Australian state and territory governments are eligible to submit projects to NEMA for potential funding in Round Two 2024-25. Each state and territory has nominated one government agency or department (<u>Lead Agency</u>) to coordinate DRF project proposals in its jurisdiction, including submitting applications to NEMA on behalf of that jurisdiction.

Individuals or entities who develop DRF proposals are referred to in these guidelines as '**Applicants**' and must apply through Lead Agencies rather than directly to NEMA. Lead Agencies can also develop DRF project proposals.

DRF funding is delivered under the <u>Federation Funding Agreement</u> – <u>Environment</u> between the Australian Government and state and territory governments. This approach recognises that states and territory governments have primary responsibility for disaster management in their jurisdictions, and are best placed to understand and coordinate priorities for disaster resilience.

Applicants wishing to deliver projects in the Indian Ocean Territories of Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands must apply through the Lead Agency for Western Australia.

The details of the Lead Agencies are published on <u>NEMA's website</u> to enable Applicants to contact the Lead Agency in their state or territory to support the preparation and development of proposals. Lead Agencies are expected to share information about the DRF and their process for receiving proposals as widely as possible with potential Applicants throughout their jurisdictions to encourage diverse projects.

### 3.2 Application Pathways

#### 3.2.1 Standard application pathway

Applicants must submit project proposals to Lead Agencies and the process for doing so may vary in each state and territory. Applicants must read the DRF Guidelines and any other advice or instruction from the relevant Lead Agency to ensure they understand requirements. Applicants should refer to the relevant Lead Agency's website for more details.

Lead Agencies and/or Applicants must have meaningfully consulted with relevant local governments and First Nations communities before submitting any project with a place-based focus.

Applicants may submit similar proposals through more than one Lead Agency, tailored for delivery in different states and/or territories, however a separate and unique 50 per cent co-contribution must be provided for each project (see section 5).

Lead Agencies will consider and screen proposals to ensure submissions comply with the DRF's objectives, eligibility criteria, and selection criteria as outlined in these guidelines, and categorise each proposal as 'Highly Suitable', 'Suitable', or 'Not Suitable'. Lead Agencies may also consider projects against state or territory priorities as outlined in any publicly available disaster plans or strategies.

Only projects categorised as 'Highly Suitable' and 'Suitable' can be submitted to NEMA for assessment (see section 8). The Lead Agencies' processes for categorising proposals should include mechanisms to ensure impartiality.

The Lead Agency must seek the relevant Minister's<sup>1</sup> endorsement (written agreement) of the proposals prior to being submitted to NEMA. This should include endorsement of any co-contributions being provided by the Lead Agency, except where in-principle agreement will be provided (see section 5).

#### 3.2.2 Indian Ocean Territories

Applicants wishing to deliver projects in the Indian Ocean Territories must submit project proposals to the Lead Agency for Western Australia. The Lead Agency will provide these proposals to the Australian Government Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts (Department of Infrastructure) which will categorise project proposals from the Indian Ocean Territories as 'Highly Suitable', 'Suitable', or 'Not Suitable'. The Department of Infrastructure will seek endorsement from the Australian Government Minister responsible for Territories.

The Department of Infrastructure will provide the endorsed list of 'Highly Suitable' and 'Suitable' projects to the Lead Agency for Western Australia to submit to NEMA.

#### 3.2.3 Multi-jurisdictional and national projects

Multi-jurisdictional and national projects involve collaboration and delivery across multiple (or all) states and/or territories.

Applicants developing these projects are required to nominate one Lead Agency to coordinate the proposal. The coordinating Lead Agency (in partnership with the Applicant where applicable) must consult with other state and/or territory Lead Agencies to develop the proposal, including the budget, funding-split, and roles and responsibility for delivery. The nominated Lead Agency will submit the proposal to NEMA and coordinate implementation and reporting requirements if the project receives funding. Only the coordinating Lead Agency must obtain endorsement (i.e. written agreement) of the project from its relevant minister. The other states and territories involved in the project do not need to provide formal minister endorsement, but must provide the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> NEMA considers the relevant Minister to be the minister with portfolio responsibility for the agency charged with coordinating and submitting applications on behalf of that state or territory (the lead agency). For the Indian Ocean Territories this is the Australian Government Minister responsible for territories.

coordinating Lead Agency with written agreement for the project to be implemented in their jurisdiction and/or to any negotiated roles and responsibilities.

The nominated Lead Agency will receive funding for the successful project (including administrative funding – see section 6.2) and will be responsible for providing project funding to all relevant Applicants and/or delivery partners (including other Lead Agencies where applicable), as well as reporting arrangements.

One 50 per cent co-contribution (see section 5) of the total project value will be required from any eligible source (e.g. one or more jurisdictions could contribute). If a 50 per cent co-contribution (cash or in-kind) cannot be provided, the Applicant will need to apply for a full or partial waiver (see section 5.3).

These projects will not contribute to the baseline funding of any state or territory (see section 6.1).

#### 3.3 Project eligibility criteria

A proposal will not be considered by NEMA's Assessment Panel/s (the Panel or Panel/s) for funding if the Program Delegate determines the proposal does not satisfy all eligibility criteria in this section.

#### 3.3.1 Eligible Hazard Types

Project activities can target any, or multiple, Natural Hazards, including:

- Geological hazards, such as, but not limited to:
  - Earthquakes;
  - o Landslides (including avalanches, mudslides, sinkholes); and
  - Tsunamis.
- Extreme weather and climate-driven hazards, such as but not limited to:
  - Bushfires (including wildfires);
  - Coastal hazards (including coastal erosion, and coastal inundation; sea level change;
  - o Cyclones;
  - Floods (including flash flooding);
  - Heatwaves;
  - Pollen storms;
  - Storms (including severe thunderstorms, hailstorms and blizzards; East coast lows; geomagnetic solar storms (X or M Class)); and
  - Tornados (including damaging wind incidents and dust storms).

#### 3.3.2 Ineligible Hazard Types

Drought, biological (including biosecurity) hazards, and cyber-attacks are ineligible, however projects which increase resilience in these areas are not excluded if they primarily target eligible natural hazards.

The Australian Government's <u>Future Drought Fund</u> provides \$100 million each year to support initiatives that build drought resilience.

#### 3.3.3 Eligible DRF project activity types

Projects must fall into one or both of the activity type categories, outlined below.

**Stream One: Systemic risk reduction** projects that build the long term resilience of a community or communities in an area that is at risk of being affected (whether directly or indirectly) by a future natural hazard.

Stream One projects must fall into one or more of the following categories:

- supporting a better understanding of risk, through a better evidence base to understand and raise awareness of risk – to improve understanding of natural hazards and their potential impacts over time (i.e. disaster risk assessments and frameworks);
- 2. projects that deliver risk reduction plans at the community, regional and state levels to mitigate identified risks and impacts;
- 3. strengthening representational and inclusive decision making by developing or improving governance networks and communities of practice, including the development and/or alignment of resilience and risk reduction strategies;
- 4. adaptation projects that improve land use planning and development practice projects, including but not limited to updating land use planning instruments and building codes;
- 5. projects, including social projects, that build the capacity and capability of businesses, community sector organisations and/or at-risk communities to improve their preparedness and resilience to the impacts of future natural hazards; and/or
- 6. projects that enable and incentivise private investment in disaster risk reduction.

Stream One examples might include, but are not limited to: the establishment of jurisdiction-wide risk mitigation frameworks or plans, hazard based information systems, updating state and/or creating local government natural hazard resilience and response plans and strategies, natural hazard research to assist states and territory governments and developers to eliminate inappropriate land sources ahead of construction, and supporting community sector organisations to develop systems, train staff or have materials in place prior to the impact of a natural hazard, including initiatives to support the most at-risk communities and/or cohorts at disproportionate disaster risk.

Stream Two: Infrastructure projects which are directed at achieving any or all of the following:

- · resilience to a future natural hazard that could affect an area (whether directly or indirectly);
- preparedness for a future natural hazard that could affect an area (whether directly or indirectly);
   and
- reduction of the risk of a future natural hazard that could affect an area (whether directly or indirectly).

'Area' may include but is not limited to built/urban, agricultural, and natural environments or ecosystems. Stream Two projects must fall into one or more of the following categories:

- 1. investment in grey infrastructure;
- 2. investment in green-blue infrastructure (including nature based solutions);
- 3. investment in social infrastructure;
- 4. investment in natural hazard monitoring infrastructure; and/or
- 5. development of business cases and/or feasibility studies for future infrastructure (including investigation, modelling, concept and detailed design activities).

Stream Two examples might include, but are not limited to: the construction of flood levees, fire breaks or cyclone shelters, business cases to develop accessible infrastructure and investigation, planning and design of infrastructure to resolve emerging risks, the construction of artificial reefs or sand nourishment on vulnerable coastlines, tsunami warning systems, bushfire warning systems, construction of places for community support or to address community needs in time of disaster.

#### 3.3.4 Eligible locations

Projects must be delivered:

- within the Lead Agency's respective jurisdiction/s or area of operation, except where agreement to delivery in another jurisdiction has been provided (i.e. for multi-jurisdictional projects); or
- within the Indian Ocean Territories of Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands.

#### 3.4 Accessibility considerations

The <u>Australian Government's Multicultural Access and Equity Policy</u> obliges Australian Government agencies to ensure their policies, programs and services - including those provided by contractors and service delivery partners - are accessible to, and deliver equitable outcomes for, people from culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD) backgrounds.

Lead Agencies should consider how they will ensure the coordination of the DRF in their jurisdiction will be accessible to people from CALD backgrounds, and Applicants should consider this in project development. For example, communications, projects, activities or events may require the use of professional translating or interpreting services in order to communicate with clients who have limited English proficiency. Applicants should ensure any costs for translating and interpreting services are factored into project budgets.

<u>Australia's Disability Strategy 2021-2031</u> (ADS) is Australia's overarching policy framework that provides national leadership towards an inclusive Australian society that ensures people with disability can fulfil their potential, as equal members of the community. An ADS policy priority is 'disaster preparedness, risk management plans and public emergency responses are inclusive of people with disability, and support their physical and mental health, and wellbeing.' Lead Agencies and Applicants should consider the ADS and accessibility in development of DRF projects.

## 4. Use of Australian Government Funding

Lead Agencies and Applicants can only spend Australian Government funding on eligible expenditure.

To be classified as eligible expenditure, the expenditure must:

- be a direct cost of a project or of DRF administration (see section 4.1); and
- be incurred by the Applicant between the project start date and end date, as nominated in the Schedule (required for audit purposes).

## 4.1 Eligible expenditure

Eligible expenditure refers to costs directly associated with delivering either an eligible activity which the Australian Government has agreed to provide funding for under the DRF or a matter that is incidental or ancillary to the agreed activity. This could include, for example:

- construction and/or procurement of materials, including supply costs, to deliver the project;
- staff (incl. contractor and consultancy) salaries and on-costs, including administration costs such as training, utilities and travel that are directly attributed to the provision of the project;
- writing, reporting, consultation and engagement costs insofar as they are directly relevant to the delivery of the project;
- upgrading of existing materials and assets so long as the upgrades meet the intent of the DRF Objectives (see section 2.4);
- community engagement and communications initiatives directly related to the delivery of the project;
- · planning costs;
- reasonable project administration costs incurred by the Applicant, and/or administration costs incurred by Lead Agencies to administer the DRF in their region (see section 6.2).

Escalation costs including expected increases in labour and supply costs should be factored into budgets for each project. Contingency costs to account for unforeseen financial circumstances should also be factored into budgets for each project and be commensurate with the size and complexity of the proposed project. The \$200 million available in 2024-25 is expected to be fully allocated - the Australian Government will not provide further top-up funding or fund project cost overruns.

#### 4.2 Ineligible project expenditure

Applicants cannot spend the Australian Government's funding on ineligible expenditure, including:

- projects that have already received full funding or a commitment of full funding, including projects that
  have received funding from another source for the same purpose, as articulated in the application (i.e.
  'double-dipping');
- wages that are not related to the direct delivery of the funded activities;
- maintenance or development of machinery or infrastructure, including roads, that does not have the primary purpose of reducing community exposure to risk, harm and/or severity of a natural hazard's impacts;
- costs incurred by Applicants in the preparation of a DRF project proposal;
- activities conducted outside of Australia;
- subsidy of general ongoing administration of an organisation;
- overseas travel;
- interstate travel, where that interstate travel is not undertaken as part of a multi-jurisdictional project (see section 3.2.3);
- the introduction of plants, animals or other biological agents known to be, or that could become, environmental or agricultural weeds and pests; and
- activities intended to directly generate profit.

The Program Delegate will make the final decision on what constitutes ineligible expenditure. If the Lead Agency is in doubt they should email <u>disaster.ready@nema.gov.au</u>.

NEMA will **not** support proposals which include activities with the potential to adversely impact on a matter of national environmental significance, including but not limited to activities which fail to be approved under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth).

## 5. Co-contribution Requirement

Applicants must provide a co-contribution of at least 50 per cent of eligible project expenditure (either cash or in-kind). Lead Agencies are also required to provide at least a 50 per cent co-contribution for administrative funding support from the Australian Government.

With the exception of financial assistance provided to local government under the Australian Government's <u>Financial Assistance Grants program</u>, Australian Government funding from any other source (including historical) cannot be used by an Applicant to cover a co-contribution, either fully or in-part'. Co-contributions can be provided from any other source (e.g. the Applicant, Lead Agencies, other stakeholders).

Each proposal must include a separate and unique 50 per cent co-contribution.

Co-contributions can include, but are not limited to:

- a direct (cash) funding contribution provided at the time of project commencement;
- funds the Lead Agency or Applicant has already invested in a program or project on or any time after 1 July 2020, only where the Australian Government's contribution from the DRF is expected to extend or enhance that program or project subject to alignment with the DRF Objectives. The Australian Government will not fund project cost overruns;
- any costs associated with the Applicant's delivery of the project, for example construction or project delivery; and
- other in-kind costs, such as wages directly attributable to the delivery of the project, and/or supplies, materials, and specific equipment required to execute the project.

#### 5.1 In-kind co-contributions

If it is not possible for a Lead Agency or Applicant to provide a financial co-contribution, they can instead provide an in-kind contribution of equal (50 per cent) or more. This may include but is not limited to wages directly attributable to the delivery of the project, and/or supplies, materials, and specific equipment required to execute the project. In-kind contributions can be based on existing resources, but cannot include historic work or staff time spent on a project prior to 1 July 2020. The Applicant will need to appropriately value and provide details of any proposed in-kind contribution and outline these in the project budget template.

#### 5.2 In-principle co-contributions

With the consent of the Lead Agency, an Applicant may provide an in-principle co-contribution (i.e. a co-contribution pending formal approval) when submitting the application, while the Applicant goes through formal internal approval processes to secure the formal (actual) co-contribution. The Applicant must be able to commit to the formal co-contribution prior to the signing of the Schedules (funding agreements (see section 10.1)). If an in-principle co-contribution does not result in the actual co-contribution prior to the signing of the Schedule, the Minister may withdraw the Australian Government's offer of funding for the project/s.

#### 5.3 Request for co-contribution waivers or partial waivers

Where possible, Applicants are expected to provide co-contributions. However, requests for waivers or partial-waivers (co-contribution reductions) will be considered in exceptional circumstances at the discretion of the Panel/s. Partial waivers can be requested for any proportion of the 50 per cent co-contribution.

Requests for waivers and partial waivers are more likely to be successful where exceptional circumstances are a result of several factors contributing to the inability to raise a co-contribution, and/or where the public benefit associated with the project is clearly demonstrated and evidence is provided to support this claim.

Factors may include but are not limited to:

- where there is evidence the Applicant has limited to no capacity to provide or raise funds, including
  justification as to why existing funds have not been allocated to the proposal if it is a priority; and
- where there is evidence the project will deliver high impact for a disproportionately at-risk community and/or cohort, or otherwise contribute to public benefit where there is a strong demonstrated need; and
- there are circumstances contributing to high project costs (e.g. remoteness of a project).

Recent natural disasters or high disaster expenditure also may be a factor contributing to exceptional circumstances. Evidence could include information regarding the financial situation of an Applicant, or details of ongoing challenges in the delivery of infrastructure projects in the regions (e.g. logistical or supplier challenges).

Formal requests for waivers must be made before the closing time for applications. Requests received after the closing time will not be accepted.

The Panel/s will consider waiver requests as part of the assessment process, taking into account value with relevant money (per Selection Criterion 3). Following this assessment (including review of the waiver request and supporting documentation), the Panel/s reserves the right to request additional information from the Lead Agency in considering any requests.

The Panel/s will then make a recommendation to the Minister for Emergency Management (through NEMA's Coordinator General). The Minister will be the final decision-maker on the request for waivers or reductions.

If the request for a waiver or partial waiver is unsuccessful the Lead Agency will be notified and there will be no opportunity to resubmit the project in the same funding round.

# 6. Arrangements for Funding Round Two (2024-25)

Lead Agencies can only apply for funding allocated in 2024-25. Up to \$200 million is available in 2024-25, with up to \$3 million of this allocated for administrative support for Lead Agencies.

The Minister reserves the right to open subsequent funding rounds in any financial year. The decision to open subsequent funding rounds is a matter for the Australian Government.

### 6.1 Funding per project, per application

There is no minimum or maximum amounts of Australian Government funding <u>per project, within the total allocated amount of up to \$197 million</u> (quarantining up to \$3 million for administration support – see section 6.2 below). There is no limit to the number of projects a Lead Agency may submit.

Each state and territory will be allocated baseline funding of \$7.5 million under Round Two, to support equitable distribution<sup>2</sup>. Projects will need to meet all eligibility requirements and achieve a minimum rating of 'Suitable' through the Panel/s assessment to achieve baseline funding allocations.

There is no baseline funding allocation for the Indian Ocean Territories. Successful projects from the Indian Ocean Territories will not count towards Western Australia's baseline funding.

Multi-jurisdictional or national projects will not count towards the baseline funding of the coordinating Lead Agency or any Lead Agency involved in the project.

If Lead Agencies submit applications with a cumulative total project value of less than \$7.5 million (including where the projects found suitable carry a total project value of less than \$7.5 million), any residual funding will be reallocated. The Panel/s will have discretion not to recommend the baseline funding allocation, if it would undermine value with relevant money considerations or DRF objectives.

## **6.2 Administrative funding for Lead Agencies**

NEMA has allocated up to \$3 million of the \$200 million funding for Round Two to support Lead Agencies with DRF administration. This is vital to ensuring DRF projects are successfully implemented, delivered and reported on appropriately.

As part of their application cover sheet, Lead Agencies must indicate their intention to apply for up to 1.5 per cent of the total Australian Government funding awarded to their jurisdiction under Round Two to support their role in delivering the DRF. There will be a baseline of \$112,500 per jurisdiction for administrative funding (1.5 per cent of the \$7.5 million baseline funding). The administration funding for Round Two will be a one-off payment (i.e. not per year) made after the Schedules are co-signed. The amounts awarded to each Lead Agency will be published on the NEMA website.

For Western Australia, the 1.5 per cent will only be calculated from and provided for successful Western Australian projects and will not apply to any successful Indian Ocean Territories projects. Financial support for Western Australia's role in administration and reporting of Indian Ocean Territory projects will be provided by the Department of Infrastructure under existing service arrangements.

Lead Agencies will be required to match the administrative funding provided by the Australian Government (either cash or in-kind). When submitting their Application Cover Sheet, Lead Agencies will need to provide inprinciple agreement to meet the co-contribution requirement. When the total amount being awarded for successful projects is determined, the co-contribution for administrative funding will be confirmed through Schedule negotiations. Administrative funding can be used for any cost that directly relates to administering the DRF. Appropriate uses of administration funding may include but are not limited to: staff to coordinate development and endorsement of Implementation Plans and fulfil audit and reporting requirements, engaging an external auditor, IT costs (e.g. grants administration software, data storage) over the delivery timeframe. Administration funding cannot be used to contract project delivery partners, which should be factored into project costs.

Lead Agencies will be required to report at least annually on the use of administrative funding provided by the Australian Government.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The baseline amount is not per project. The baseline funding allocation is only the Australian Government's component of funding, and does not include a state and territory's co-contribution.

#### 6.3 Project period

The maximum project period is three (3) years from NEMA's written endorsement of the relevant Implementation Plan.

## 6.4 Application timelines

Lead Agencies will be given from **9.00am (AEDT) on Monday 5 February 2024 until 5.00pm** (AEST) on **Monday 29 April 2024** to submit applications to NEMA for Round Two of the DRF.

NEMA will only accept a late application where a Lead Agency can demonstrate exceptional circumstances will prevent them from submitting the application by the closing date. Only the **Program Delegate** may approve the receipt and consideration of a late application, and will only do so when it would be fair to allow the application to be received late. Requests to submit a late application should be provided to NEMA before the closing date.

Table 1 - Key Dates

Item	Date
Applications open in states and territories	9.00am local time in each jurisdiction, Monday 22 January 2024
Applications close in states and territories	5.00pm local time in each jurisdiction, Wednesday 20 March 2024
Submissions from Lead Agencies due to NEMA (this process is available to Lead Agencies only).	From 9.00am AEDT on Monday 5 February until 5.00pm AEST on Monday 29 April 2024
Relevant Ministerial Endorsement Due	5.00pm AEST on Monday 13 May 2024
Assessment	May – June 2024
Announcements Made	From July 2024
Funding Delivered <sup>3</sup>	Later in 2024

The above timeline is provided as a guide only and subject to change. While every care will be taken to expedite the time from announcement to payment, Applicants should be aware that they may not receive funding for several months or more after announcement.

## 7. Selection Criteria

Applicants **must** address all three of the following selection criteria for each proposal they are submitting. It is essential that evidence and/or strong justification is provided to support each criterion.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Subject to the joint-signing of Schedules and endorsed Implementation Plans National Emergency Management Agency

#### 7.1 Criterion One - Project alignment with disaster risk

Weighted 40 per cent

The project proposal must demonstrate how the project reduces disaster risk, increases resilience, adaptive capacity and/or preparedness to disaster risk, and/or contributes to understanding of disaster risk.

This must include, at a minimum, statements addressing the following:

- the risk the project is addressing, how this has been assessed, and the anticipated impact of the project, including the estimated level(s) of disaster risk, resilience, preparedness and/or understanding prior to and upon conclusion of the proposed project. If there is no existing risk assessment tool or limited understanding of risk to inform this, the application must explain whether the project funding will contribute to assessment of risk and increase the understanding of natural hazard and disaster impacts; and
- how the project will deliver its intended benefits over the short, medium and long term (e.g. increase
  the resilience, adaptive capacity and /or preparedness and/or reduce the exposure to risk, harm and/or
  severity of a natural hazard's impacts); and
- how the project will avoid and manage the potential for maladaptation (including any unintentionally negative social, environmental or economic outcomes); and
- where appropriate, how climate change may impact infrastructure investments, including the use of the infrastructure, over its intended life span and how these risks may be mitigated.

# 7.2 Criterion Two – Alignment with existing plans or development of plans

Weighted 30 per cent

The project proposal must at a minimum include:

- detail on how the project meets the DRF objectives and aligns with one or more DRF investment principles, including if the project aligns to activities of the Second National Action Plan (see section 2.4); and
- detail on how the project aligns with and/or supports delivery of any existing state, territory, local
  government or community disaster risk reduction or adaptation plans, policies or frameworks, or how
  the project will develop or contribute to development of these policies, plans or frameworks where they
  do not currently exist.

#### 7.3 Criterion Three – Likelihood of project success

Weighted 30 per cent

The project proposal must at a minimum include evidence of:

- the Applicant and/or delivery partner's capacity to complete the project in compliance with relevant industry and legislative standards;
- the Applicant and/or delivery partner's capability (including previous experience in undertaking similar scale projects), including confirmation of the ability to commence promptly and deliver the project within the agreed maximum three (3) year timeframes;
- other logistical considerations where relevant (e.g. the ability to procure or develop required technology or expertise);
- robust consultation occurring as the project proposal was developed, and support from local government(s) and/or relevant communities, including First Nations stakeholders where relevant;

- value with relevant money, which could include:
  - o the percentage of costs to be spent on project administration (excluding the program administration funding provided to Lead Agencies),
  - the extent to which the project attracts new (i.e. previously uncommitted) investment from state and territory governments and other delivery partners,
  - the total applicant co-contribution being offered relative to the value of the grant sought, and detail regarding why this project is not able to be funded through other potentially more appropriate sources.

## 8. Submission Requirements

#### 8.1 Submitting projects to NEMA

NEMA will provide Lead Agencies with instructions and guidance on how to apply through the application portal prior to the application opening date.

A project application form will also be made available to Lead Agencies prior to the opening date for applications. Before applying to NEMA, Lead Agencies **must** read and understand these DRF Guidelines and review the project application form. The application process consists of two parts:

- the overarching Application Cover Sheet (see 8.2); and
- the individual project proposal/s and supporting documentation (project logic and indicative budget see 8.3).

Lead Agencies and Applicants are responsible for ensuring their applications are complete and accurate, and supported by evidence. Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence under the schedule to the *Criminal Code Act 1995* (Cth) and NEMA will investigate any false or misleading information (including in consultation with other Commonwealth, state and territory government agencies) and may exclude the application from further consideration.

If Lead Agencies find an error in their application after submitting it, they should contact NEMA immediately at <a href="mailto:disaster.ready@nema.gov.au">disaster.ready@nema.gov.au</a>. NEMA is not required to accept any additional information, nor requests from Lead Agencies to correct their application after the closing date.

If NEMA or the Panel/s finds an error, inconsistency or omission, NEMA may ask for clarification or additional information from Lead Agencies that will not materially change the nature of their application in fairness to other Lead Agencies.

Lead Agencies or Applicants should keep a copy of their application and any supporting documents.

NEMA will acknowledge it has received applications within three (3) working days.

If Lead Agencies need further guidance around the application process or if they are unable to submit an application online they should contact NEMA at <u>disaster.ready@nema.gov.au</u> in advance of the closing time.

## 8.2 Application Cover Sheet

NEMA can only accept one overarching Application Cover Sheet per Lead Agency (except where the Lead Agency for Western Australia is applying on behalf of the Indian Ocean Territories) encompassing all project proposals. In preparing the Application Cover Sheet, Lead Agencies:

• **may** propose to engage third parties to deliver services (delivery partners) on their behalf for any projects awarded DRF funding;

- confirm the projects are a priority for their jurisdiction, and categorise the projects as 'Highly Suitable' or 'Suitable':
- describe the method or process for categorising the projects;
- **provide** endorsement of the project list (i.e. agreement in writing) from the relevant minister(s), or intention to provide endorsement (endorsement to be provided no later than 13 May 2024);
- **provide** details of the total amount of Australian Government funding sought and the proposed cocontribution (including in-kind); and
- **indicate** their intention to apply for administrative funding of up to 1.5 per cent of total project amount awarded.

#### 8.3 Required attachments

As well as the application cover sheet, Lead Agencies are **required** to provide the following **two (2)** attachments for each project, <u>at the time of submission to NEMA</u>. Failure to provide this information may result in the application not being recommended for funding:

- 1. A Project Logic, which includes reference to or evidence of the risk assessment and/or disaster risk reduction or adaptation plan that underpins the response to selection criteria one and two, unless the project will deliver these tools where they do not already exist. The Assessment Panel/s may request copies of the referenced risk assessment or plan.
- 2. An Indicative Budget, including all project delivery costs and details of how Australia Government funding and the co-contribution (including in-kind) will be used.

Templates will be provided for the Project Logic and the Indicative Budget. The Lead Agency and Applicants will also be required to disclose any financial assistance previously or currently sought or provided through Australian Government, state/territory or other initiatives to support proposed projects.

Lead Agencies may provide up to five (5) additional attachments per project they believe support their applications. This may include further information about the proposed project, evidence of consultation, capacity to deliver, and any plans, strategies or policies the proposed project may relate to. The amount of supporting evidence provided should be commensurate with the amount of funding sought for a project.

Lead Agencies will be required to submit additional information for successful projects as part of an Implementation Plan after the signing of Schedules occurs (see section 10).

#### 8.4 Ministerial endorsement

The Lead Agency **must** provide written endorsement (i.e. agreement in writing) from the relevant minister(s) in that state or territory (ministerial endorsement) of the projects submitted to NEMA, including any multi-jurisdictional projects it is submitting.

Ministerial endorsement **should** include the titles and amounts of each of the projects submitted, for ease of reference. Relevant ministerial endorsements can be submitted at the time of application, but must be submitted by email to <a href="mailto:disaster.ready@nema.gov.au">disaster.ready@nema.gov.au</a> by no later than **5.00pm AEST Monday 13 May 2024** (i.e. two weeks after the close of applications). Any additional extensions to must be sought in writing and the decision to grant additional extensions is at the complete discretion of the Program Delegate.

## 8.5 Questions during the application process

Applicants developing project proposals should direct their enquiries to the Lead Agency in their state or territory.

Lead Agencies should direct questions to NEMA through: <u>disaster.ready@nema.gov.au</u>. NEMA will provide responses to questions within five (5) working days. If applicable, answers to questions will be posted in the Frequently Asked Questions on NEMA's website: <u>www.nema.gov.au</u>.

Please note that questions related to Round Two applications should be submitted early in the application process to ensure they can be appropriately actioned prior to the application deadline.

## 9. Review and Assessment Process

#### 9.1 Review of eligibility

Once submitted by a Lead Agency, NEMA will undertake an initial eligibility check against the eligibility criteria. Any applications that do not meet all the eligibility criteria will be excluded from further consideration in accordance with section 3.3. The Program Delegate will be the final decision maker on determining eligibility.

## 9.2 Who will assess applications?

NEMA will establish and chair a DRF Assessment Panel or Panels (the Panel or Panel/s), comprising members agreed by the Program Delegate.

Panel members may be drawn from relevant Australian Government agencies, and advisory bodies (i.e. collaborative research organisations), with expertise in disaster risk reduction and resilience (where real or perceived conflicts of interest can be managed). The Panel/s may include a First Nations representative. The Panel/s will be supported by a Probity Advisor.

NEMA may seek advice from Australian Government agencies and other entities where that advice would support the Panel/s in their deliberations.

Based on advice from the Panel/s, NEMA's Coordinator-General will recommend projects to the Minister for funding approval. The Coordinator-General may delegate to an Australian Government official the responsibility to make recommendations to the Minister regarding any funding allocations to projects under the DRF, in accordance with the DRF Act. This includes delegating decisions to the Program Delegate.

The Minister may take into account other advice or considerations in making a final determination on successful projects.

The Minister is the final decision maker in accordance with Division Two of the DRF Act.

#### 9.3 Assessment of applications

The Panel/s will consider eligible responses (refer section 3) in two stages, as outlined below.

- The Panel/s will assess each project proposal individually against the three selection criteria (section 7), culminating with each proposal receiving an overall rating in accordance with Table 2 below.
  - As part of this process, the Panel/s will also consider requests for waivers or partial waivers of the co-contribution requirement in the context of value with relevant money as part of Criterion 3;
- 2. Proposals will then be ranked. The Panel/s may apply Investment Principle 4 ('diverse and equitable', section 2.4) by giving consideration to equity with respect to the types of projects, the appropriateness of the geographic and thematic split of projects, and relative benefit per capita (population impact), in acknowledgement that the DRF is national in scope with a variety of project activity types. 'Equity' does not mean an equal split of funding.

- the Panel/s may give specific consideration to any national interest, financial, legal, regulatory, governance or other issue or risk that is identified during any due diligence processes conducted in respect of each project;
- the Panel/s may also take into account (but is not bound by) the project categorisation ('Highly Suitable' or 'Suitable') assigned by Lead Agencies.

Table 2 – Application rating matrix

Rating Title	Description
Highly Suitable	An excellent application that demonstrates strong alignment with the DRF selection criteria.
	The project has clearly articulated with well-defined objectives and scope, and is supported by strong evidence (qualitative and/or quantitative) to demonstrate the project will achieve its aims. Risks to project success may be present, but the Applicant has identified mitigation strategies and controls to manage the risk.
Suitable	A good application that demonstrates alignment with the DRF selection criteria.
	The project has sound objectives and is supported by evidence (qualitative and/or quantitative) to demonstrate its positive impact. Risks to project success may be present, but the Applicant has identified mitigation strategies and controls to manage the risk.
Not Suitable/ Not Recommended	An unsatisfactory response with uncertainty as to the project's relevance, feasibility and/or likely impact, including inadequate links to the DRF's Objectives and value with relevant money considerations. May contain significant risks that prevent the project from succeeding.

Noting the annual funding allocation, the Panel/s may recommend partial funding for projects following discussion with the Lead Agency to determine whether the project is capable of proceeding without full funding. In this case, NEMA will negotiate project and funding details with the Lead Agency through the Schedule negotiation process.

The Panel/s reserves the right to group the assessment of applications, including by activity type, hazard type or by Lead Agency.

### 9.4 Who will approve DRF funding?

In accordance with the DRF Act, the Minister for Emergency Management is responsible for deciding which projects to fund. In making these decisions, the Minister may take into account the findings of the Panel/s, in conjunction with any other advice or recommendations provided by NEMA.

In making decisions the Minister will exercise their responsibilities under the *Public Governance*, *Performance and Accountability Act 2013* (PGPA Act) to confirm the expenditure would be a proper use of relevant money.

The Minister's decision is final in all matters, including:

- the approval of the funding;
- the funding amount to be awarded; and
- the terms and conditions of the Schedule.

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Projects may be approved for full or partial funding from the DRF. Any funding shortfall either due to the funding approved or by the budget being exceeded during the life of the project is the responsibility of the Lead Agency. Successful Lead Agencies may request in writing a reduction in scope for a project in the event only partial funding is approved.

## 9.5 Announcement and notification of application outcomes

NEMA will advise Lead Agencies of the outcomes of their applications in writing under embargo, pending the Minister's official announcement. Lead Agencies will be permitted to share this information with Applicants on an embargoed basis.

If successful, the project and approved funding amount will be listed on NEMA website (<a href="www.nema.gov.au">www.nema.gov.au</a>). The Minister for Emergency Management will make the first announcement about successful projects. A Lead Agency may request to be involved in a joint announcement with the Australian Government.

The Minister may undertake announcements in a staged approach across states and territories, recognising that certain applications may be more technical in nature and require more comprehensive validation as part of the assessment process.

Written feedback on applications will be provided to the Lead Agency following announcement and upon request. Lead Agencies are responsible for providing feedback to Applicants.

# 10. Successful applications

## 10.1 Schedules (funding agreements)

Following the Minister's decision, and after Lead Agencies have been notified of the Minister's decision on projects to be funded and the quantum of funding allocated, Schedules will be developed under the <u>Federation Funding Agreement</u> - <u>Environment</u> between the Australian Government and each relevant state or territory government (the **Schedule**).

The Schedule and associated Audit and Reporting Framework will detail the project delivery, reporting and milestone requirements, and other relevant considerations. States and territories that are successful will be consulted on the detail in the Audit and Reporting Framework ahead of the signing of the Schedule.

The Schedule between Western Australia and the Australian Government will cover any successful projects that are to be delivered in the Indian Ocean Territories (Successful Applicants of projects to be delivered in the Indian Ocean Territories will be required to enter into a separate funding agreement with the Lead Agency for Western Australia).

The Schedule will include any funds being provided for administration of DRF projects in a state or territory (up to 1.5 per cent of the total amount awarded (excluding for Indian Ocean Territories).

The Schedule will state:

- the total funding amount to be paid, exclusive of GST;
- any financial contributions jurisdictions or Applicants or any other third party will make per project;
- any in-kind contributions jurisdictions or Applicants or any other third party will make will make per project.
- any administration funding being provided to Lead Agencies

The Schedule must be finalised before any payments are made. NEMA is not responsible for any expenditure incurred until the Schedule is finalised and executed and the Implementation Plan is endorsed. If Lead National Emergency Management Agency

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Agencies choose to start projects, or give Applicants permission to start projects, before they have an executed Schedule and endorsed Implementation Plan, they do so at their own cost and risk.

Once Schedules are finalised (co-signed), The Minister has the authority to agree amendments to Schedules, project scope and project timeframes, where requested in writing by the responsible state or territory minister. Lead Agencies should discuss any required amendments with NEMA in the first instance.

This may include agreement to extending project timeframes beyond three years where the Minister considers that there are reasonable grounds, or costs unexpectedly exceed the indicative budget at the time of application. The Minister may choose to delegate authority to amend project scope and project timeframes (including to the Program Delegate) where the matter/s have no financial impacts. The Minister will have complete discretion to accept or refuse amendments to the Schedule.

# 10.2 How we pay the funding

Once the Schedule has been finalised, the Australian Government Treasury will transfer the funding allocation to each successful Lead Agency as a single payment through the legislated and normal monthly payment mechanisms.

Lead Agencies will be responsible for making payments to successful Applicants in accordance with endorsed Implementation Plans.

Successful Lead Agencies and Applicants will be required to report how the funding has been spent in accordance with the reporting milestones outlined in the Schedule.

The Government of Western Australia will receive funding for any successful projects that are to be delivered in the Indian Ocean Territories, and will be required to transfer these funds to the Applicant.

# 10.3 Implementation Plans and commencing projects

Implementation Plans must be provided to NEMA as soon as possible in a template provided by NEMA, but no later than three months after the commencement of the Schedule. A Lead Agency should discuss with NEMA as soon as possible if it is likely to require additional time to complete the Implementation Plan. Templates will be provided as soon as possible so Implementation Plans can be developed immediately after successful projects are announced and concurrently with the Schedule negotiation process.

The Implementation Plan must encompass all projects under the Schedule and outline how each project will be managed (for Western Australia this includes any successful projects that are to be delivered in the Indian Ocean Territories).

A project cannot formally commence until NEMA has endorsed the Implementation Plan in writing. An Applicant, with consent of their coordinating Lead Agency, may elect to commence a project from the date NEMA notifies the Lead Agency that its application for that project is successful however the Australian Government is not responsible for any expenditure Applicants incur, until such time as the Implementation Plan is endorsed. The Australian Government will not be liable, and should not be held as being liable, for any activities undertaken before an Implementation Plan covering that project is endorsed. This includes the use of Australian Government funds (when provided) to cover retrospective costs, or costs incurred by the Lead Agency, Applicant and/or implementation partners prior to NEMA's endorsement of the Implementation Plan. If in doubt, please discuss with NEMA before incurring expenditure.

# 11. Monitoring and evaluation of projects

# 11.1 Identifying issues and keeping NEMA informed

Lead Agencies must let NEMA know if anything is likely to affect their funded projects as soon as possible.

NEMA needs to know of any key changes to organisations or business activities, particularly if they affect the successful Lead Agency's ability to fulfil the terms of the Schedule, carry on business and pay debts due.

If Lead Agencies become aware of a breach of terms and conditions under the Schedule, they **must** contact NEMA immediately.

Lead Agencies **must** notify NEMA in a timely manner of any public or notable events relating to their projects and provide an opportunity for the Minister or their representative to attend.

## 11.2 Reporting

NEMA has established an Audit and Reporting Framework for DRF projects.

The objectives of the Audit and Reporting Framework are to:

- support Lead Agencies in monitoring the progress and impact of DRF funded projects in their jurisdictions, and in meeting their reporting obligations under the DRF,
- direct Lead Agencies to engage the services of an appointed auditor to undertake the assurance activities, and
- inform NEMA's monitoring, reporting and evaluation activities, including providing the Australian Government with reasonable assurance regarding the implementation and expenditure of DRF funded projects and budgets, and the performance of the program overall.

#### Reporting responsibilities of state and territory Governments

State and territory governments must have systems such as monitoring and evaluation frameworks in place to meet their data collection and reporting obligations outlined in schedules developed under the Federation *Funding Agreement – Environment* (Agreement) between the Australian Government and each relevant state or territory government (Schedule), as summarised below.

Lead Agencies and Applicants must keep detailed and accurate records related to DRF funded projects in accordance with any applicable regulatory or statutory requirements, and in any event for a period of at least five (5) years after the end of the funding period consistent with financial and other record keeping obligations under Australian Government legislation including the *Archives Act 1983* (Cth), the *Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013* (Cth) and the *Criminal Code Act 1995* (Cth). State and territory governments are encouraged to give consideration to fraud risk, detection and mitigation.

Lead Agencies are expected to submit reports in the manner, within the timeframes, in the format, and containing the information, outlined in the Schedule and the Audit and Reporting Framework, or as otherwise specified by NEMA. Indicative information to be provided in these reports is summarised in this document.

The Australian Government reserves the right to amend or adjust reporting requirements from time to time, as necessary.

If there are any changes proposed to projects or other significant events related to projects during the project period (including but not limited to changes in scope, budget and timeframe), Lead Agencies must notify NEMA noting that Australian Government approval is required for project variations.

State and territory governments receiving funding for projects under Round Two of the DRF 2024-25 are required to provide the below plans and reports. With the exception of Ad Hoc Reports and Financial Declarations, timeframes for each deliverable will be stated in each state and territory's Schedule.

**Performance Reports** – quarterly reports provided following the commencement of projects and encompassing all projects under the Schedule that set out progress against agreed milestones, outcomes and budgets as outlined in the Implementation Plan. Indicative content requirements are included in the Audit and Reporting Framework and a template will be provided by NEMA.

- Final Reports reports provided following the completion of projects under the Schedule that set out what outcomes have been achieved and total expenditure incurred for each completed project. A template will be provided by NEMA.
- 2. **Audit Report** independent audit report encompassing all Material Projects under the Schedule, submitted following the completion of all projects.
- 3. Ad Hoc Reports and meetings the use of regular reporting is intended to minimise the need for and burden of, ad hoc reporting on Lead Agencies and Applicants. However, NEMA may need to ask for updates that are not addressed through regular reporting. These may include detail on how any administration funding provided is being used, interim status reports, details of media events, and information requests from the Australian Government Minister. NEMA may also need to organise meetings to discuss aspects of project implementation for example any significant delays or difficulties in completing the project; events and announcements related to the project; or assumptions and objectives of the project(s).

#### **Important Notes regarding Audit Report**

- The Audit Report comprises an important element of our assurance framework designed to ensure that funding has been spent in accordance with the Implementation Plan.
- The Australian Government requires Lead Agencies to appoint an independent registered auditor for this purpose (the auditor may be a state or territory government employee providing they have not been involved in delivery of the DRF).
- The scope of the audit is to cover a subset of projects (Material Projects) under Round Two of the DRF i.e. those that meet one or more of the following criteria:
  - Actual start and/or end dates deviate by more than 12 months from the start and end dates originally approved in the Implementation Plan
  - o Project risk rating as set out in the Implementation Plan is 'high'
  - Total actual expenditure at the conclusion of the project exceeds the originally approved project budget as set out in the Implementation Plan.
  - Where the total funding amount allocated to the state or territory:
    - is less than \$10 million, only projects that exceed 5 per cent of the state allocation are included
    - is equal to or greater than \$10 million, only projects that exceed 2 per cent of the state allocation are included
  - Any other project that the Australian Government determines should be included in the audit (note: Lead Agencies should check this with the NEMA before commencing an audit).

The auditor's opinion is to be based on the total actual expenditure that the state or territory
government has set out in the Final Report/s, including any additional costs incurred against each
project above the estimated project cost.

#### 11.3 Financial declaration

Lead Agencies may be asked to provide a declaration that the funding was spent in accordance with the Schedule and to report on any underspends of the funding.

In the event where efficiencies or underspends are identified, successful Lead Agencies will need to outline the jurisdiction's approach for determining how to reallocate funds. Section 20 of the *Federal Financial Relations Act 2009* (Cth) and subsection 21(4) of the DRF Act provides NEMA's agreement with a successful Lead Agency must include provisions for DRF Funding to be repaid to NEMA where the Lead Agency does not meet a condition of the relevant agreement (see section 4 and 10.1)

NEMA will determine whether an amount should be repaid, and if so, how much should be repaid, with regard to the circumstances of each individual matter. The Schedule will set out the circumstances in which the successful Lead Agency must repay amounts to NEMA (see section 10.1).

## 11.4 Project visits

NEMA may visit Applicants during, or at the completion of, their project(s). NEMA will provide successful Lead Agencies with reasonable notice of any visit.

#### 11.5 Evaluation

NEMA has established a Monitoring and Evaluation Plan to evaluate the DRF to measure how well the outcomes and objectives of the projects have been achieved to ensure iterative and adaptive learning, informing future Australian Government actions. NEMA will also evaluate the design of the program to ensure experiences and outcomes from earlier rounds inform the development of future rounds and that the program remains fit-for-purpose.

As part of the Monitoring and Evaluation Plan, NEMA will periodically evaluate past rounds. As part of the internal evaluation, NEMA may:

- use information from applications and reporting (see section 11.2); and
- interview successful Lead Agencies, including downstream partners and local governments.

The Australia-New Zealand Emergency Management Committee (**ANZEMC**), as the peak government committee responsible for emergency management will be given the opportunity to participate in the internal evaluation process.

## 11.6 Acknowledgement

The NEMA logo should be used on all public materials related to all projects funded under the DRF. If successful Lead Agencies and/or Applicants make a public statement about a project funded under the DRF, NEMA requires them to acknowledge the funding by using the following:

'This [name of project] received funding from the Australian Government.'

Successful Lead Agencies should nominate a point of contact to liaise with the Australian Government on any media or announcements relating to the DRF. Successful Lead Agencies should notify NEMA and the Minister of Emergency Management's Office regarding any planned announcements relating to the DRF and each project.

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The Minister for Emergency Management will make the first announcement about successful projects. A Lead Agency may request to be involved in a joint announcement with the Australian Government.

# 12. Probity and Privacy

The Australian Government is committed to ensuring that application assessment and selection processes under the DRF are fair, performed according to these DRF Guidelines, incorporate appropriate safeguards against fraud, unlawful activities and other inappropriate conduct and are otherwise consistent with relevant legislation.

These DRF Guidelines may be updated from time-to-time by NEMA. When this happens the revised guidelines will be published on NEMA's website at <a href="www.nema.gov.au">www.nema.gov.au</a>. Lead Agencies will be advised in writing of changes to the Guidelines within 10 business days of the changes having been approved by the Minister.

In accordance with section s26A of the DRF Act, which details the exercise of the Minister's decisions regarding arrangements and grants made in the previous financial year, NEMA will publish an annual report that details financial decisions made in the previous financial year. The annual report will include, but not be limited to, amounts paid and payable under grants and/or other arrangements as well as the details of successful and unsuccessful projects (where written agreement to the latter is provided by Lead Agencies).

## 12.1 Enquiries and feedback

NEMA's complaints procedures are published on the Department of Home Affairs (Home Affairs) website: <a href="https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/help-and-support/departmental-forms/online-forms/complaints-compliments-and-suggestions">www.homeaffairs.gov.au/help-and-support/departmental-forms/online-forms/complaints-compliments-and-suggestions</a>. These procedures apply to complaints about the DRF. All complaints about a grant process must be provided in writing.

Any questions Lead Agencies have about decisions under the DRF should be sent to NEMA at disaster.ready@nema.gov.au.

If Lead Agencies or Applicants do not agree with the way their complaint is handled, they may complain to the Commonwealth Ombudsman. The Ombudsman will not usually look into a complaint unless the matter has first been raised directly with NEMA.

The Commonwealth Ombudsman can be contacted on:

Phone (Toll free): 1300 362 072

Email: ombudsman@ombudsman.gov.au

Website: www.ombudsman.gov.au

#### 12.2 Conflicts of interest

Any conflicts of interest could affect the performance or integrity of the DRF. There may be an actual, potential or perceived conflict of interest if, for example, a person:

- has a professional, commercial or personal relationship with a party who is able to influence the application selection process, such as an Australian Government official or member of an external committee (including the Panel/s);
- has a relationship with, or interest in, an organisation which is likely to interfere with or restrict a Lead Agency from carrying out the proposed activities fairly and independently, or
- has a relationship with, or interest in, an organisation from which they will receive personal gain because the organisation receives some form of benefit (for example, funding) under the DRF.

Lead Agencies will be asked to declare, as part of their application, any perceived or existing conflicts of interests or that, to the best of their knowledge, there is no conflict of interest.

If Lead Agencies later identify an actual, potential or perceived conflict of interest, they must inform NEMA in writing immediately at <a href="mailto:disaster.ready@nema.gov.au">disaster.ready@nema.gov.au</a>.

Conflicts of interest for Australian Government officials will be handled as set out in the <u>Australian Public Service Code of Conduct</u> (Section 13(7)) of the <u>Public Service Act 1999</u> (Cth). Panel members and other officials including the decision maker (the Minister) must also declare any conflicts of interest.

#### **12.3 Fraud**

Lead Agencies and successful Applicants must have appropriate frameworks in place to manage the risk of Fraud in relation to DRF funded projects. These safeguards must contain appropriate fraud prevention, detection, investigation and reporting processes and procedures.

If Lead Agencies or Applicants become aware of:

- (a) any Fraud in relation to the performance of DRF funded projects; or
- (b) any other Fraud that has had or may have an effect on the performance of DRF funded projects,

they must report the matter to NEMA and all appropriate law enforcement and regulatory agencies.

NEMA may, at its discretion, investigate any Fraud or claims of Fraud in relation to any project. By entering into funding agreements Lead Agencies agree to co-operate and provide all reasonable assistance at their own cost with any such investigation.

## 12.4 Privacy

NEMA treats personal information according to the <u>Privacy Act 1988</u> (Cth) and the <u>Australian Privacy</u> Principles. This includes letting Lead Agencies know:

- · what personal information we collect;
- why we collect personal information;
- how we use personal information; and
- who we give personal information to and why.

Personal information can only be used or disclosed to someone else for the primary purpose for which it was collected, unless an exemption applies.

The Australian Government may also use and disclose information about funding Lead Agencies and Applicants under the DRF as part of any other Australian Government business or function. This includes disclosing grant information on NEMA website as required for reporting purposes and giving information to the Australian Taxation Office for compliance purposes.

NEMA will also identify Applicants and/or project delivery partners on the NEMA website when successful projects are published (except where requested not to).

NEMA may share the information Lead Agencies give NEMA with other Australian Government entities for purposes including government administration, research or service delivery, according to Australian laws.

As part of the application, Lead Agencies must declare their ability to comply with the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) and the Australian Privacy Principles, as if they were an agency for the purposes of that Act and impose the same privacy obligations on officers, employees, agents and subcontractors that they engage to assist with the activity, in respect of personal information collected, used, stored, or disclosed in connection with the

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activity. Accordingly, Lead Agencies must not do anything, which if done by NEMA would breach an Australian Privacy Principle as defined in the Act.

#### 12.5 Confidential information

Other than any information available in the public domain, Lead Agencies agree not to disclose to any person, other than NEMA, any confidential information relating to the DRF, without NEMA's prior written approval. The obligation will not be breached where Lead Agencies are required by law or Parliament to disclose the relevant information or where the relevant information is publicly available (other than through breach of a confidentiality or non-disclosure obligation).

NEMA may, at any time, require a Lead Agency to arrange for a Lead Agency's employees, agents or subcontractors to give a written undertaking relating to non-disclosure of our confidential information in a form considered acceptable by NEMA.

NEMA will keep any information in connection with the Schedule confidential to the extent that NEMA is satisfied it meets all of the three conditions below:

- 1. the Lead Agency has clearly identified the information as confidential in the application and explain why NEMA should treat it as confidential;
- 2. the information is commercially sensitive; and
- 3. revealing the information would cause unreasonable harm to the Lead Agency or someone else (including an Applicant).

NEMA will not be in breach of any confidentiality obligation if the information is disclosed to:

- the Panel/s and other Australian Government employees and contractors to help NEMA administer or manage the DRF effectively;
- employees and contractors of NEMA so NEMA can research, assess, monitor and analyse programs and activities;
- employees and contractors of other Australian Government agencies for any purpose, including government administration, research or service delivery;
- other Australian Government, state, territory or local government agencies in DRF reports and consultations;
- the Auditor-General, Ombudsman, Privacy Commissioner, or National Anti-Corruption Commission;
- the responsible Minister or Parliamentary Secretary; or
- a House or a Committee of the Australian Parliament.

#### 12.6 Freedom of information

All documents in the possession of the Australian Government, including those about the DRF, may be subject to the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* (Cth) (**FOI Act**).

The purpose of the FOI Act is to give members of the public rights of access to information held by the Australian Government and its entities. Under the FOI Act, members of the public can seek access to documents held by the Australian Government. This right of access is limited only by the exceptions and exemptions necessary to protect essential public interests and private and business affairs of persons in respect of whom the information relates.

All Freedom of Information requests must be referred to the Freedom of Information Coordinator in writing.

#### By mail:

Freedom of Information Coordinator

National Emergency Management Agency

PO Box 6500

Canberra ACT 2602

email: FOI@nema.gov.au

# 13. Glossary

Term	Definition
Administration costs	The administration costs associated with implementing or managing a successful project under the DRF
Administration funding	Administration funding provided by the Australian Government to Lead Agencies to support the costs incurred by a Lead Agency associated with delivering the DRF program, including but not limited to coordinating and submitting the monitoring, reporting and auditing of projects. This funding cannot be used for project administration costs.
Adaptation	The process of adjustment to actual or expected climate change and its effects. In human systems, adaptation seeks to moderate or avoid harm or exploit beneficial opportunities. In some natural systems, human intervention may facilitate adjustment to expected climate and its effects. Incudes adaptation for natural hazards, vulnerability, exposure risk and capacity to respond to natural hazards.
Applicant	A DRF project proponent that develops and submits a project proposal to a Lead Agency for consideration and possible submission to NEMA. A Lead Agency may also be an applicant.
Application	The application prepared and submitted by a Lead Agency to NEMA, encompassing project proposals for its jurisdiction.
Application Cover Sheet	The coversheet which is submitted by each Lead Agency and which encompasses all project proposals for which the Lead Agency is applying for funding. NEMA may only accept one overarching cover sheet per Lead Agency, except where a Lead Agency is applying on behalf of the Indian Ocean Territories.
Assessment Panel or Panel/s	The expert panel/s established to ensure the success of the DRF through impartial assessment of applications against the selection criteria and development of evidence-based recommendations for the Minister.
At-risk community	A community which is or could be disproportionately affected by the impacts of a disaster. This could be, but is not limited to, communities in an area at high-risk of a future disaster, have greater exposure to disasters due to climate change, and may include certain cohorts at disproportionate disaster risk (see definition).

Audit report	The audit report required to be undertaken by Lead Agencies upon completion of all projects in each round in accordance with the <i>DRF Audit and Reporting Framework</i> .
Co-contributions	The project funding provided (usually from, but not limited to the Lead Agency or Applicant) to match the funding sought from the Australian Government under the DRF. Co-contributions can be in-kind.
Cohorts at disproportionate disaster risk	Includes but is not limited to:  children and young people; culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CALD) communities; First Nations communities; LGBTQIA+ community; migrant and refugee communities; people over the age of 65; people with a disability; those experiencing homelessness, unemployment or poverty; women.
Coordinator-General	The accountable authority of the National Emergency Management Agency.
Decision maker	The person who makes a decision to award Australian Government funding. The <i>Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019</i> (Cth) mandates the decision maker for funding as the Australian Government Minister responsible for emergency management.
Department of Infrastructure	The Australian Government Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts which facilitates the delivery of state-type services to Australia's non-self-government territories (including the Indian Ocean Territories).
Delivery partner	A third-party organisation or entity that will collaborate with a DRF Project Applicant and/or Lead Agency to deliver, or deliver aspects of, successful DRF projects.
Disaster Ready Fund	The Disaster Ready Fund (DRF) is provided for under the <i>Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019</i> (Cth), with operational guidance provided in the Disaster Ready Fund Program Guidelines (DRF Guidelines).  The DRF provides up to \$200 million annually from 1 July 2023 to build
	resilience to, prepare for, or reduce the risk of future disasters, or build the long-term sustainability of communities that are at risk of being affected by a future disaster.
Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019 (Cth) (the DRF Act)	The legislation that established the Disaster Ready Fund.
Disaster	A serious disruption of the functioning of a community or a society at any scale due to hazardous events interacting with conditions of exposure, vulnerability and capacity, leading to one or more of the following: human, material, economic and environmental losses and impacts.
Disaster risk	The potential loss of life, injury, or destroyed or damaged assets caused by a disaster, which could occur to a system, society or a community.

Disaster Risk Reduction	Disaster risk reduction is aimed at preventing new disasters, reducing existing disaster risk and managing residual disaster risk, all of which contribute to strengthening resilience and therefore work toward the achievement of sustainable development.
Eligibility criteria	The mandatory criteria which must be met to qualify for funding under the DRF. Selection criteria applies in addition to eligibility criteria.
End date	The expected date that the project must be completed, within the three year project delivery timeframe (from date Implementation Plan is endorsed) and when all performance reporting and final milestone payments for all projects funded within a state or territory have been satisfied.
Endorsement	Written agreement from the relevant minister in a state or territory to the projects to be submitted by a Lead Agency to NEMA, including any multi-jurisdictional projects the Lead Agency is coordinating. This should include agreement to any co-contributions being provided by the state or territory government.
Exceptional circumstances	A circumstance which is such as to form an exception, which is out of the ordinary course, or unusual, or special, or uncommon. To be exceptional, a circumstance need not be unique, or unprecedented, or very rare; but it cannot be one that is regularly, or routinely, or normally encountered.
Federation Funding Agreement – Environment	An <u>agreement</u> between the Australian Government and the states and territory governments under the Federation Funding Agreements (FFA) Framework.  The FFA Framework can be conceived as comprising five elements: the Intergovernmental Agreement on Federal Financial Relations (IGA FFR); the Council on Federal Financial Relations (CFFR) and its role as gatekeeper; the FFA architecture; the FFA Principles; and the administrative arrangements.
Fraud	Fraud means dishonestly obtaining a benefit, or causing a loss, by deception or other means, and includes alleged, attempted, suspected or detected fraud.
Funding Shortfall	Project funding required that exceeds the funding allocated to a project under the Program. A funding shortfall will not be met by the Australian Government and is the responsibility of the Lead Agency
Green-Blue Infrastructure	For the purposes of this Program, Green-Blue Infrastructure is infrastructure that reduces risk of hazards for a particular community or communities, by delivering a strategically planned network of natural and semi-natural areas with other environmental features designed and managed to deliver a wide range of ecosystem services. It incorporates green spaces (or blue if aquatic ecosystems are concerned) and other physical features in terrestrial (including coastal) and marine areas. This includes, for example but not limited to, mangrove reforestation, greenways along floodplains or nature planning for heat management.

Grey Infrastructure	For the purposes of this Program, Grey Infrastructure involves engineered assets that reduce the risk of natural hazards for a particular community or communities. This includes for example but not limited to levies or cyclone shelters.
Implementation Plan	Each Lead Agency must develop Implementation Plans in discussion with successful Applicants or delivery partners which encompass all projects under the Schedule and outline how each project will be managed (for Western Australia this includes any successful projects that are to be delivered in the Indian Ocean Territories).
	NEMA will provide a template and the Implementation Plan must be completed and provided to NEMA no later than three months after the commencement of the Schedule. A project cannot formally commence until NEMA has endorsed the Implementation Plan in writing.
Indian Ocean Territories	The external territories of <u>Christmas Island</u> and the <u>Cocos (Keeling) Islands</u> , collectively known as the Indian Ocean Territories. The Australian Government, through the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts, facilitates the delivery of state-type services to Australia's non-self-government territories.
In-kind co-contribution	A non-financial co-contribution that provides equal value to 50 per cent of project costs (unless a partial waiver requested or co-contribution is part in-kind, part financial).
In-principle co-contributions	Co-contributions which are pending formal approval from the internal governmental or organisation approval process for securing funding. Where an in-principle co-contribution does not result in the actual co-contribution prior to the signing of FFA Schedules, the Minister may withdraw the Australian Government's offer of support for the relevant project/s.
Jurisdictions	The six states and two mainland territories of Australia.
Lead Agency	One government agency in each state and territory (jurisdiction) that may apply to NEMA for funding. The Lead Agency has responsibility for coordinating proposals throughout a jurisdiction, and submitting the applications to NEMA on behalf of a jurisdiction. The Lead Agency may also develop DRF projects, and for these projects is also considered the Applicant.
Maladaptation	An adaptation that does not succeed in reducing vulnerability but increases it instead, including where intervention in one location or sector could increase the vulnerability of another location or sector.
The Minister	The Australian Government Minister for Emergency Management.
The Minister responsible for Territories.	The Australian Government Minister whose portfolio responsibility includes Australia's non-self-governing territories.
Mitigation	The lessening or minimising of the adverse impacts of a hazardous event.

Multi-jurisdictional project (or national project)	A project that involves collaboration and delivery across two or more Australian states and territories (including national projects)
National Disaster Risk Reduction Framework (NDRRF)	Developed by the Australian Government and endorsed at the Council of Australian Governments meeting held on 13 March 2020, the Framework outlines the strategic priorities, drivers for action and guiding principles for national disaster risk reduction activities. It sets out the foundational work required nationally across all sectors, to reduce disaster risk, minimise new disaster risk, and deliver better climate and disaster risk information.
National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA)	Referred to in this Program Guidelines as 'NEMA'. NEMA is the Australian Government agency with responsibility for preparing for and coordinating the Australian Government's response to disasters, across all hazards.
Nature-based solutions	Actions to protect, sustainably manage and restore natural or modified ecosystems that address societal challenges effectively and adaptively, simultaneously providing human well-being and biodiversity benefits. In the context of this Program, nature-based solutions refers to actions to protect, sustainably manage, conserve and restore natural or modified ecosystems to reduce disaster risk, with the aim to achieve sustainable and resilient development.
Natural hazard	A natural process or phenomenon that may cause loss of life, injury or other health impacts, property damage, social and economic disruption or environmental degradation.
Per capita	By or for each person. The Panel/s may consider a project's relative benefit per-capita.
Place-based	Place-based approaches focus on addressing the needs of a particular location by leveraging existing programs and/or filling gaps in service delivery.  Lead Agencies and/or Applicants must have meaningfully consulted with relevant local governments and First Nations communities before submitting any project with a place-based focus.
Preparedness	Measures to ensure that, should an emergency occur, communities, resources and services are capable of coping with the effects; the state of being prepared.
Prevention	Measures to eliminate or reduce the incidence or severity of emergencies (including disasters).
Project proposals	Proposals for potential DRF projects, submitted to Lead Agencies which will categorise and may submit to NEMA as part of a jurisdiction's application.
Program (or DRF)	The 'Program' is the Disaster Ready Fund (DRF), administered by NEMA.
Program Delegate	A manager within NEMA with the responsibility for the program. The Program Delegate for the Program is NEMA's Assistant Coordinator General, Resilience and Community Programs Branch.

Public benefit	The benefits of the project that are not captured by a particular business, individual or other entity. Public benefits can include but are not limited to contribution to economic and productivity and profitability growth, improvements to the environment that are valued by the community, and increased social connection and resilience in communities.
Relevant minister	A minister with portfolio responsibility for a Lead Agency charged with coordinating and submitting applications on behalf of that state or territory. The relevant minister must endorse projects in their jurisdiction that will be submitted to NEMA. For the Indian Ocean Territories the relevant minister is the Australian Government Minister responsible for territories.
Resilience	The ability of a system, community or society exposed to hazards to resist, absorb, accommodate, adapt to, transform and recover from the effects of a hazard in a timely and efficient manner, including through the preservation and restoration of its essential basic structures and functions through risk management.
Scaling / Scope	Process to reconfigure a successful project that can no longer be delivered to the outcomes agreed in the relevant Schedule under the FFA – Environment. This requires a business case to be submitted to NEMA for review and agreement.
Second National Action Plan	The <u>Second National Action Plan</u> to implement the National Disaster Risk Reduction Framework was released by the National Emergency Management Agency in August 2023. The Second National Action Plan aims to reduce systemic disaster risk in order to create stronger, more secure and more resilient communities before, during and after disasters.
Schedules	A bilateral agreement or funding agreement between the Australian Government and state and territory governments under the Federation Funding Agreement – Environment.
Sector/s	All sectors of society including government, industries, business, not-for-profit, communities and individuals.
Selection criteria	The specified principles or standards that project proposals must address and against which applications will be judged. These criteria are used by the Assessment Panel/s to assess the merits of proposals and determine application rankings.
Selection process or Assessment process	The method used to select projects to fund under the DRF in accordance with these Guidelines.
Social infrastructure	Social infrastructure is comprised of the facilities, spaces, services and networks that support the quality of life and wellbeing of communities.
Start date	The expected start date for the project, once the Implementation Plan has been endorsed by NEMA.
Systemic disaster risk	Systemic risks emerge from the interactions of climate change and natural hazards, with the complex, interdependent and interconnected networks of social, technical, environmental, and economic systems. These risks are not necessarily obvious using traditional hazard-by-

hazard risk assessments and revealing them requires an understanding of the degree of magnitude of failure across these systems that could suddenly or gradually exceed society's capacity to cope.

Underspend

Funds remaining from the actual cost of a project under the Program, which, at project completion as per the relevant Schedule have not been transferred to a third party account.

#### Value with relevant money

Value with relevant money is a judgement based on the application representing an efficient, effective, economical and ethical use of public resources and determined from a variety of considerations.

Assessing value with relevant money involves consideration of

the relevant financial and non- financial costs and benefits of each project proposal including, but not limited to:

- the quality of the project proposal and activities;
- fitness for purpose of the project proposal in contributing to and achieving Program objectives;
- if the absence of funding is likely to prevent Program outcomes being achieved; and
- any relevant risks to NEMA, for example, rising from the Lead Agency's relevant experience and performance history.

Waivers

Waivers of the 50 per cent co-contribution requirement can be applied for in exceptional circumstances (section 5.3)

This could include applications for partial waivers (e.g. 25 per cent of the co-contribution). Waiver applications will be assessed by the Panel/s with the Minister as the final decision maker.

# **Annexure 2 – Disaster Ready Fund Round Two Funding Agreements**

Annexure 2A - New South Wales

# Disaster Ready Fund Round Two - New South Wales FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT - ENVIRONMENT

Parties	Commonwealth of Australia (Commonwealth) New South Wales (NSW)					
Duration	This Schedule will commence as soon as both Parties sign it and will expire on completion of all projects and performance milestones under the Schedule, in accordance with timeframes outlined in the Program Guidelines and Implementation Plan. The Agreement may be terminated earlier or extended as agreed in writing by the Parties.					
Purpose	This Schedule will support the delivery of projects identified through Round Two of the Disaster Ready Fund (Program), which will help drive long term esilience and sustainability by delivering projects that mitigate the impact of disasters on communities, economies, and the environment. Funding provided under this Schedule will contribute to the delivery of the projects ested at <a href="Attachment A">Attachment A</a> , and support state and territory governments with Program administration as established at <a href="Attachment B">Attachment B</a> .					
Estimated financial contributions	The Commonwealth will provide to NSW an estimated tot contribution of \$42,078,559.64 (GST exclusive) in respect NSW will be responsible for arranging financial and/or in-k for projects to an estimated total value of \$43,058,384.00, administration to an estimated total value of \$621,850.64	of this Schedule. and contributions				
	Funding category	AUD				
	Estimated* Commonwealth contribution for projects	\$41,456,709.00				
	Estimated* non-Commonwealth contributions for projects (1)	\$43,058,384.00				
	Estimated* Commonwealth contribution for Program administration (2)	\$621,850.64				
	Estimated* NSW contribution for Program administration (3)	\$621,850.64				
	Estimated* total budget (projects and Program administration)	\$85,758,794.28				
	(1) = value of all financial and in kind contributions to be provided by NSW and third party project proponents.					
	(2) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, the Commonwealth contribution for Program administration is up to 1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to NSW for projects under Round Two.					

(3) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, NSW is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

\*Amounts shown may not add to totals due to rounding.

# Additional terms

#### Allocation of funds

(1) The Parties understand that this Schedule is made in good faith and there is an expectation that funding will be apportioned to projects as shown at <u>Attachment A</u>, and used for Program administration as shown at **Attachment B**.

#### Implementation Plans

- (2) Implementation Plans for each project under the Schedule will be developed by NSW and provided to the Commonwealth for endorsement as soon as possible, but no later than three months after the commencement of this Schedule unless otherwise agreed by the Commonwealth.
  - a. The requirements of the Implementation Plans are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
  - b. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.
  - c. Expenditure of Commonwealth funds awarded cannot be incurred until the Commonwealth has endorsed the Implementation Plan for that project, in writing.
  - d. With written approval from NSW, project proponents can commence activities that use only a co-contribution referred to in <u>Attachment A</u> or do not incur expenditure, prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the Implementation Plan.
  - e. The Commonwealth will not be liable, and should not be held as being liable, for any activities undertaken before an Implementation Plan covering that project is endorsed.

#### Performance monitoring and reporting

- (3) The Parties acknowledge that payments under these agreements would usually be tied to the performance milestones at Table 2 below. In lieu of milestone based payments under this agreement, NSW commits to honouring the reporting obligations required by this Schedule.
- (4) The frequency and timing of reporting under this Schedule is set out at Table 2: Performance requirements and payment summary
- (5) The content requirements of reporting under this Schedule are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.

(6) The Commonwealth may use the Program Reporting Material provided by NSW as required under the Program Guidelines, including to inform the monitoring and evaluation of the Disaster Ready Fund.

#### Third party project proponents

- (7) In line with the Program Guidelines, NSW may engage third party project proponents to support the delivery of projects under this Schedule.
- (8) While third party project proponents are not signatories to this Schedule, NSW is solely responsible for ensuring third party compliance with the *Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019*, the Disaster Ready Fund Program Guidelines for Round Two, and the terms and conditions of this Schedule.
- (9) Subject to clause 2.c NSW can enter into negotiation of funding agreements with third party project proponents prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the relevant Implementation Plans.

#### Repayment of amounts to the Commonwealth

- (10) If efficiencies or overspends are identified, funding may be reallocated to/from other projects under this Program in NSW with the Commonwealth's approval, which will not be unreasonably withheld.
- (11) In accordance with subsection 21(4) of the *Disaster Ready Fund Act* 2019, the Commonwealth reserves the right to recover an amount provided under this Schedule, where:
  - a project cannot be delivered in line with the relevant Implementation Plan and the project cannot be appropriately scaled or varied,
  - b. the Commonwealth and NSW cannot reach an agreement on how to reallocate the funds, or
  - c. the Commonwealth considers, in its absolute discretion, that another condition of this Schedule is not met.
- (12) The Commonwealth will determine on a reasonable basis whether an amount should be repaid, and if so, how much should be repaid, with regard to the circumstances of each matter.
- (13) The Commonwealth will not recover an amount provided under this Schedule where the funds have been expended by NSW in good faith on project delivery in line with the relevant Implementation Plan.

#### Intellectual Property rights

- (14)NSW owns the Intellectual Property rights in the Activity Material of projects at Attachment A.
- (15) This Schedule does not affect ownership of any Intellectual Property rights in Existing Material.
- (16)To the extent that the Commonwealth needs to use any of the Activity Material, NSW will agree to terms with the Commonwealth for access to required materials.

- (17) NSW must ensure that any arrangement it enters into with a project proponent includes a licence of Intellectual Property rights to the Commonwealth in a form substantially the same as in clauses 14-16 above.
- (18) This Schedule is subject to the special conditions set out below. If there is any inconsistency between the provisions of this Schedule and the special conditions, the special conditions, to the extent of the inconsistency, prevail.
- (19)[SPECIAL CONDITIONS] The following projects are exempt from clauses 14-16
  - a. DRFR200100: Orange City Council
  - DRFR200102: Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
  - c. DRFR200107: Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
  - d. DRFR200112: NSW Council of Social Service
  - e. DRFR200114: MacKillop Family Services
  - f. DRFR200115: NSW Rural Fire Service
  - g. DRFR200121: Inner Sydney Regional Council for Social Development
  - h. DRFR200125: Jagun Alliance Aboriginal Corporation
  - i. DRFR200127: Hunter Joint Organisation
  - j. DRFR200128: The Australian National University
  - k. DRFR200131: Riverina and Murray Joint Organisation
  - DRFR200132: NSW State Emergency Service
  - m. DRFR200136: Central NSW Joint Organisation
  - n. DRFR200137: Premiers Department Aboriginal Affairs NSW
  - o. DRFR200139: Illawarra Shoalhaven Joint Organisation
  - p. DRFR200142: Aboriginal Housing Office
  - q. DRFR200143: Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water
  - r. DRFR200148: Canberra Region Joint Organisation
  - s. DRFR200529: City of Parramatta Council

#### Glossary

Activity	The project activity described in this Schedule, including the provision of the Reporting Material.			
Activity Material	Any Material, other than Reporting Material, created or developed as a result of Program funding.			

Existing Material	Means any Material that:			
	(a) was in existence before the receipt of Program funding; or			
	(b) is developed independently of Program funding			
	and that is incorporated in, supplied with or as part of, or required to be supplied with or as part of, the Activity Material.			
Intellectual Property (IP)	Means all copyright, patents, registered and unregistered trademarks (including service marks), registered designs, and other rights resulting from intellectual activity (other than moral rights under the Copyright Act 1968). IP covers the wide range of intangible property that is the result of the creative and intellectual effort of individuals and organisations. This includes but is not limited to inventions, computer programs, databases, data, broadcasts, trade marks and designs.			
Project proponent	The entities responsible for delivering the project, including day to day project management. Also known as delivery partners or applicants.			
Program/the Program	The Disaster Ready Fund			
Reporting Material	Means all implementation plans, performance, final, and ad hoc reports which NSW is required to provide to the Commonwealth for the purposes of keeping the Commonwealth up-to-date with the performance of the Activity, as specified in this schedule.			

Output/s	Performance milestones	Due Date	Payment	
	NSW enters into a funding agreement with the Commonwealth.	Upon signing of this Schedule by both Parties.	\$42,078,559.64	
As detailed in each project application and Implementation Plans.	Commonwealth endorsement of Implementation Plans, submitted by NSW, encompassing all projects under the Schedule.	Implementation Plans submitted to the Commonwealth for endorsement within three months of the commencement of this Schedule. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.	N/A	
	Commonwealth acceptance of Performance Reports, submitted by NSW, encompassing all projects under the Schedule, and updates on the use of administration funding.	Performance Reports submitted to the Commonwealth quarterly, in line with due dates advised by the Commonwealth, until the completion of all projects under the Schedule.	N/A	
	Commonwealth acceptance of Final Reports, submitted by NSW, encompassing all completed projects under the Schedule.	Final Reports submitted to the Commonwealth no later than six months from the end of the quarterly Performance Report period that the related projects completed in.	N/A	
	Commonwealth acceptance of an Audit Report, submitted by NSW, encompassing all Material Projects under the Schedule.	Audit Report submitted to the Commonwealth no later than nine months from the end of the financial year in which the final project under the Schedule is completed.	N/A	
	Commonwealth acceptance of any ad hoc report/s requested.	As specified by the Commonwealth in respect of each request.	N/A	
	Commonwealth acceptance of any financial declarations requested.	As specified by the Commonwealth in respect of each request.	N/A	

<sup>\*</sup> For the purposes of this Schedule, the following terms have the meanings set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program: Implementation Plan, Performance Reports; Final Report; Audit Report; Material Projects; Ad Hoc Report; Financial Declaration.

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this Schedule as follows:

**Signed** for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by

Senator the Hon Jenny McAllister

Minister for Emergency Management

Minister for Cities

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Signed for and on behalf of NSW by

Minister the Hon Jihad Dib MP

Minister for Customer Service and Digital

Government

Minister for Emergency Services

Minister for Youth Justice

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# Attachment A

# **Details of NSW Funded Projects**

DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
						From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200127	Disaster Resilience Capacity Building for the Hunter and Central Coast	Hunter JO	NSW - Central Coast NSW, Cessnock, Dungog, Lake Macquarie, Maitland, Mid- Coast, Muswellbrook, Newcastle, Port Stephens, Singleton, Upper Hunter	This project will build disaster resilience capacity and capability within 11 Hunter and Central Coast councils and their communities. This will be achieved by supporting development and implementation of local and regional Disaster Adaptation Plans, embedding resilience into councils' Integrated Planning and Reporting (IP&R) framework, facilitating a regional resilience network, and supporting community engagement.	\$851,271.00	\$0.00	\$887,269.00	\$1,738,540.00	

DRFID		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
	Project title					From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200131	All-hazards, risk-based approach to land use planning and critical infrastructure asset management for Riverina/Murray region.	Riverina and Murray Joint Organisation	NSW - Albury, Berrigan, Edward River, Federation, Griffith, Hay, Leeton, Murray River, Murrumbidgee, Narrandera	Action plans will be developed from critical infrastructure risk assessments and land use planning maturity assessments for 11 councils in the Riverina Murray region. This will support councils to embed best practice in their asset management, land use planning and strategic planning documents and forthcoming Disaster Adaptation Plans.	\$345,000.00	\$173,000.00	\$176,000.00	\$694,000.00	
DRFR200151	Creating Safe Shelter Spaces - Holding a Gendered Lens on Emergency Management Simulations.	Gender and Disaster Australia	NSW - All	GADAus will work with 6 LGA's in New South wales (NSW) to ensure that the safety of emergency shelters are assessed through a gendered lens, ensuring the safety of women, children, LGBTQIA+during disasters. The Local Government Areas (LGA) will be chosen from high disaster risk areas and form a pilot to extend to other areas of NSW.	\$60,289.00	\$0.00	\$60,289.00	\$120,578.00	

			Location			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	(Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200137	Aboriginal Communities Emergency Management Program (ACEMP)	Aboriginal Affairs NSW	NSW - Clarence Valley, Cobar, Kempsey, Kyogle, Mid- Coast, Mid- Western, Nambucca Valley, Port Macquarie- Hastings, Port Stephens, Walgett	This project expands on a pilot ensuring: Discrete Aboriginal Communities (DACs) are prepared to respond to and recover from disasters. Through identifying and strengthen sustainable local emergency management partnerships with DAC's, ACEMP can inform and influence emergency management through Aboriginal leadership, research and co-design - ensuring Aboriginal knowledge and emergency management frameworks are appropriately integrated in prevention, preparedness, response and recovery.	\$3,687,244.00	\$3,880,351.00	\$464,007.00	\$8,031,602.00	
DRFR200106	Climate hazard assessment, adaptation and resilience in Blacktown	Blacktown City Council	NSW - Blacktown	This project will assess local climate risks and deliberatively engage with a large, diverse community and local businesses to develop an adaptation and resilience plan, and leverage existing partnerships to form a working group, overseeing climate hubs that deliver engagement, workshops, communities of practice, crowd sourced	\$538,002.00	\$0.00	\$581,614.00	\$1,119,616.00	

			Location (Local			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				mapping and community capacity building.					
DRFR200107	CoastGuard - NSW Coast and Estuary Hazard Risk Data Portal	NSW Department of Climate Change Energy the Environment and Water (DCCEEW)	NSW - Ballina, Bayside (NSW), Bega Valley, Bellingen, Byron, Canada Bay, Canterbury- Bankstown, Central Coast (NSW), Clarence Valley, Coffs Harbour, Eurobodalla, Georges River, Hawkesbury, Hornsby, Hunters Hill, Kempsey, Kiama, Ku-ring- gai, Lake Macquarie, Lane Cove, Lismore, Maitland, Mid- Coast, Mosman, Nambuca Valley, Newcastle, North Sydney, Northern Beaches,	The NSW Coast and Estuary Hazard Risk Data Portal aims to provide a central repository and improve the sharing and accessibility of key coastal and estuary hazard data and information across government (state, local and Commonwealth) and to other stakeholders.	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00	\$0.00	\$500,000.00	

DRFID			Location (Local			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
			Parramatta, Port Macquarie- Hastings, Port Stephens, Randwick, Richmond Valley, Shellharbour, Shoalhaven, Strathfield, Sutherland, Sydney, Tweed, Waverley, Wollongong, Woollahra						
DRFR200110	Accessibility and compliance infrastructure enhancements to PCYC Gunnedah as a disaster and emergency evacuation centre	Police Citizens Youth Clubs NSW Ltd	NSW - Gunnedah	Gunnedah Local Emergency Management Committee (LEMC), identified Gunnedah PCYC as the preferred venue for establishment as an Emergency Evacuation Centre (EEC). Proposed capital works will address accessibility, compliance and functionality gaps (accessible entry/exit, kitchen/bathrooms refurbishments with a designated ambulant bathroom) and enable the venue to be activated as an EEC	\$742,204.00	\$626,544.00	\$180,260.00	\$1,549,008.00	10

			Location			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	(Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200098	Construction of South Albury Levee Upgrade	Albury City Council	NSW - Albury	Albury City is situated on the northern bank of the Murray River, downstream of Hume Dam, and is prone to flooding based on historical records. This project will update the South Albury Flood Levee to mitigate the risk associated with flood to protect the town from riverine flood events.	\$1,694,866.00	\$847,433.00	\$847,433.00	\$3,389,732.00	
DRFR200125	Good Fire Gathering	Jagun Alliance Aboriginal Corporation	NSW - Ballina, Byron, Clarence Valley, Kyogle, Lismore, Richmond Valley, Tweed	Good Fire Gathering" focuses on Cultural fire pathways to share knowledge and practices that enhance resilience, adaptive capacity and preparedness, through Caring for Country by communities at risk or impacted by natural hazards. It enables systemic risk reduction through cultural and social connections for cooperative community-led actions and planning.	\$2,987,690.00	\$1,559,897.00	\$1,452,000.00	\$5,999,587.00	

			Location			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	(Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200136	Integrated preparedness: integrated approaches for disaster mitigation, energy and water security, and technology.	Central NSW Joint Organisation	NSW - Bathurst, Blayney, Cabonne, Cowra, Forbes, Lachlan, Lithgow, Oberon, Orange, Parkes, Weddin	Through tailoring Disaster Adaptation Planning (DAP); integrating insights funded under the NSW governments Disaster Risk Reduction Fund (DRRF), Simtables, and technology, this project will deliver enhanced DAP guidance, comprehensive plans and a strengthened and coordinated DRR approach - boosting resilience in Central NSW communities amid escalating natural disasters.	\$743,130.00	\$0.00	\$743,171.00	\$1,486,301.00	
DRFR200529	Reducing flooding in the Parramatta CBD and City of Parramatta Local Government Area	City of Parramatta Council	NSW - Parramatta	Parramatta CBD and surrounding areas are subject to significant flooding risks. The project will investigate proposed options to substantially reduce these flooding risks.	\$250,000.00	\$0,00	\$250,000.00	\$500,000.00	

			Location (Local			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200095	Heatwave Hub: A Comprehensive Risk Assessment, Resilience and Preparedness Initiative for Vulnerable Communities across NSW	University of Newcastle	NSW - All	The 'Heatwave Hub' initiative addresses heatwave risks in vulnerable NSW communities through comprehensive risk assessments, co-designing plans/toolkits, focus groups, and workshops. Outcomes include the 'Heatwave Hub' website, LGA heatwave action plans, and community capacity building. The project will promote informed planning for effective heatwave preparedness and improved wellbeing.	\$672,974.00	\$0.00	\$694,210.00	\$1,367,184.00	
DRFR200132	Aboriginal Peoples Engagement Program	NSW State Emergency Services	NSW - All	NSW State Emergency Services (SES) will partner with Aboriginal peoples to codesign a program incorporating cultural safety, how to warn community and understanding how First Nations people prepare for and respond to the impact of floods. This includes understanding the cultural barriers to evacuation and how best to reduce risk for Aboriginal peoples.	\$1,843,000.00	\$2,213,763.00	\$0.00	\$4,056,763.00	

			Location (Local			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200121	DBU (Done By Us)	Inner Sydney Regional Council for Social Development	NSW - Inner West, Randwick, Sydney	DBU is a peer-led and delivered community preparedness program targeting people who live in social and community housing communities. Residents will be recruited, skilled up and trained to support and implement peer led community preparedness activities and outcomes. The Project will target communities across the Inner and Eastern Sydney Region.	\$268,000.00	\$134,000.00	\$134,000.00	\$536,000.00	
DRFR200111	Psycho-social supports for children, parents/carers and educators to reduce risk of long-term mental health impacts	Royal Far West	NSW - Berrigan, Cabonne, Cootamundra- Gundagai, Dubbo, Forbes, Glen Innes Severn, Gunnedah, Snowy Monaro, Snowy Valleys, Yass Valley	Support for children (3-12) and their parents/carers/educators, living in disaster-impacted areas likely to be impacted by future disasters. Through one-to-one, small group and cohort-wide psycho-social interventions/supports for up to 22 schools/preschools, we will build the adaptive capacity, skills and resilience individuals and groups need to effectively cope with disaster events.	\$4,264,307.00	\$1,734,235.00	\$938,397.00	\$6,936,939.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)			Co-cont	ributions		Funding conditions
DRFID	Project title			Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	
DRFR200112	Community Organisations Disaster Adaptation (CODA) project	NSW Council of Social Service	NSW - Bega Valley, Eurobodalla, Hawkesbury, Kyogle, Lismore, Richmond Valley, Snowy Monaro	The Community Organisations Disaster Adaptation (CODA) project builds disaster preparedness and resilience among NGOs and people most vulnerable to disaster impacts and strengthens connections and cooperation between the community, local NGOs and Emergency Management to take action to reduce local disaster risks.	\$2,569,981.00	\$1,284,991.00	\$1,292,991.00	\$5,147,963.00	
DRFR200143	Improving Floodplain Connections - urban protection	Department of Climate Change, Energy the Environment and Water	NSW - Bourke, Carrathool, Federation, Forbes, Hay, Lachlan, Moree Plains, Murray River, Murrumbidgee, Narrabri, Narrandera, Narromine, Walgett, Warren	This program will address flood works in Western NSW targeting flood risk from crop protection works to mitigate flood risk to life and property. Benefiting 40 urban centres and 85,000 people, it focuses on remediating flood works, ensuring compliance, fostering collaboration among government agencies, landholders, stakeholders for effective floodplain management.	\$2,940,000.00	\$3,872,013.00	\$0.00	\$6,812,013.00	

			Location (Local			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200148	CRJO Disaster Adaptation Preparedness Support Program	Canberra Region Joint Organisation (CRJO)	NSW - Bega Valley, Eurobodalla, Goulburn Mulwaree, Hilltops, Queanbeyan- Palerang, Snowy Monaro, Snowy Valleys, Upper Lachlan, Wagga Wagga, Wingecarribee, Yass Valley	Support member councils to increase disaster resilience, adaptation, and preparedness through regional DAP/local DAPs commenced implementation of DRRF outcomes including maturity modelling Disaster Risk Reduction Fund (DRRF) integration into Integrated Planning and Reporting (IP&R) frameworks; capacity building working group and alignment with state strategic frameworks Simtable workshops and training/loans 3-year Disaster Dashboard subscription Advocate investment in resilient infrastructure.	\$899,267.00	\$0.00	\$921,320.00	\$1,820,587.00	
DRFR200128	Pilot Project - Strengthening community capacity and resilience through development of community-led flood intelligence networks	The Australian National University	NSW - Byron, Cabonne, Lismore, Tweed	Northern Rivers communities (Wilsons River Catchment, Mullumbimby/Main Arm, Uki) and Cabonne Shire/ Eugowra will partner with Australian National University (ANU) to develop, test, and evaluate localised community-led flood intelligence networks. These strengthen community capacity/resilience through reduced vulnerability,	\$1,961,483.00	\$0.00	\$2,748,150.00	\$4,709,633.00	

			Location (Local			Co-conti	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	roject title Proponent		Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				enhanced communication and new state-wide resources for informed and timely preparation and response to flooding events.				-	
DRFR200102	Enhancing the capability of NSW to prepare for and respond to risks from coastal hazards	Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water	NSW - Ballina, Bayside, Bega Valley, Bellingen, Blacktown, Burwood, Byron, Canada Bay, Canterbury- Bankstown, Central Coast (NSW), Clarence Valley, Coffs Harbour, Cumberland, Dungog, Eurobodalla, Fairfield, Hawkesbury, Hornsby, Hunters Hill, Inner West, Kempsey, Kiama, Ku-ring- gai, Lake Macquarie, Lane	This project seeks to enhance outcomes for coastal communities in NSW that strategically address risks from climate change and coastal hazards. Additional funding to implement the NSW coastal management framework in partnership with local government, will facilitate investment in action to manage threats and risks to the NSW coastal zone.	\$6,000,000.00	\$6,000,000.00	\$0.00	\$12,000,000.0 0	×

			Location (Local			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	DRFID Project title Proponent	Government Description Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions		
			Cove, Lismore,		·				
			Liverpool,						
			Maitland, Mid-						
			Coast, Mosman,						
			Nambucca						
			Valley,						
			Newcastle,						
			North Sydney, Northern						
			Beaches,						
			Parramatta,						
			Penrith, Port						
			Macquarie-						
			Hastings, Port						
			Stephens,						
			Randwick,					}	
l			Richmond						***************************************
			Valley, Ryde,						
			Shellharbour,	,					
			Shoalhaven,						
			Strathfield,						
			Sutherland,						
			Sydney, The						
			Hills, Tweed, Waverley,						
			Waveney, Willoughby,						
			Wollongong,						
İ			Woollahra						

		Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	La Company of the Com			Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title		Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions		
DRFR200114	MacKillop Seasons' Community Resilience Project	MacKillop Family Services	NSW - Armidale, Ballina, Bega Valley, Byron, Central Coast (NSW), Cessnock, Clarence Valley, Dungog, Eurobodalla, Kiama, Kyogle, Lake Macquarie, Lismore, Maitland, Muswellbrook, Richmond Valley, Shoalhaven, Singleton, Tweed	The project will benefit identified communities by building capacity in local education and community services sector professionals, to address the needs resulting from natural disaster with location-based support and direct delivery for children, young people and adults. This will be achieved through training, mentoring and codelivery of evidence informed programs.	\$1,299,686.00	\$649,843.00	\$649,843.00	\$2,599,372.00	

			Location			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	(Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200139	Building systemic adaptive capacity for Illawarra/Shoalh aven and coordinate alignment of resilience initiatives across regional NSW	Illawarra Shoalhaven Joint Organisation	NSW - Albury, Ballina, Bathurst, Bega Valley, Bellingen, Berrigan, Bland, Blayney, Bourke, Byron, Cabonne, Carrathool, Cessnock, Clarence Valley, Cobar, Coolamon, Cootamundra- Gundagai, Cowra, Dungog, Edward River, Eurobodalla, Federation, Forbes, Goulburn Mulwaree, Greater Hume, Griffith, Hay, Hilltops, Junee, Kempsey, Kiama, Kyogle, Lachlan, Lake Macquarie, Leeton, Lismore,	This project will build disaster adaptation capacity of councils, communities and key stakeholders through systemic embedding of hazard mitigation and resilience plans and resources which enhance current frameworks to reduce disaster exposure and vulnerability. A supporting state-wide coordination model will apply learnings and increase resilience maturity across multiple regions.	\$1,220,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,312,800.00	\$2,532,800.00	

			Location (Local			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	DRFID Project title Pro	Proponent		Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
			Lithgow, Lockhart, Maitland, Mid- Coast, Murray River, Murrumbidgee, Muswellbrook, Newcastle, Oberon, Orange, Parkes, Port Macquarie- Hastings, Port Stephens, Queanbeyan- Palerang, Richmond Valley, Shellharbour, Shoalhaven, Singleton, Snowy Monaro, Snowy Valleys, Temora, Tweed, Upper Hunter, Upper Lachlan, Wagga Wagga, Walgett, Weddin, Wingecarribee, Wollongong, Yass Valley						

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			Location (Local			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	DRFID Project title Proponent Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions		
DRFR200115	NSW Bush Fire Inquiry Recommendati on 17 - Neighbourhood Safer Places	NSW Rural Fire Service	NSW - Bega Valley, Bland, Blue Mountains, Bogan, Campbelltown (NSW), Cessnock, Clarence Valley, Cootamundra- Gundagai, Dungog, Eurobodalla, Federation, Glen Innes Severn, Greater Hume, Hawkesbury, Hilltops, Inverell, Kempsey, Kiama, Liverpool Plains, Narrabri, Northern Beaches, Port Stephens, Queanbeyan- Palerang, Shoalhaven, Singleton, Snowy Monaro, Snowy Valleys, Sutherland,	The provision of existing NSW Rural Fire Service Brigade stations (or suitable alternatives) as Neighbourhood Safer Places in remote communities, for community use during bushfire events. This will require establishment of Asset Protection Zones and building works to increase building resilience from a bushfire and enhance community safety.	\$3,252,000.00	\$2,971,160.00	\$280,840.00	\$6,504,000.00	

			Location		Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	(Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description		From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
			Tenterfield, Upper Hunter, Wagga Wagga, Walgett, Wollongong						
DRFR200142	Pilot Project: Wet-Proofing Treatment of Aboriginal Housing Properties in flood prone areas in NSW	Aboriginal Housing Office	NSW - Kempsey, Shoalhaven, Wollongong	The aim of this project is to reduce flood risk to 6 Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO) properties. A risk analysis was conducted to identify the flood prone areas. The risk will be mitigated by waterproofing properties, applying water resistant finishes and raising services above the flood level. This project is a pilot for future works.	\$346,363.00	\$346,363.00	\$0.00	\$692,726.00	
DRFR200100	March Street Bridge Upgrade to alleviate flooding	Orange City Council	NSW - Orange	The March Street culvers are constraints on the East Orange Stormwater Channel. Floodwater frequently surcharges the banks of East Orange Creek at the March Street crossing, inundating neighbouring properties. Upgrading to a bridge at this location will alleviate flooding, reducing risk to property and mitigating harm to residents.	\$583,000.00	\$0.00	\$713,245.00	\$1,296,245.00	

			Location			Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	(Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200140	Forbes Shire Flooded Road Smart Warning System	Forbes Shire Council	NSW - Forbes	The project consists of the installation of water sensors in flood ways to trigger digital 'Road Closed' sign at the flood way, and a 'Road Closed Ahead' sign at the start of the road. The sensor will also send an SMS alert to council to install physical road closed signs.	\$111,495.00	\$0.00	\$111,495.00	\$222,990.00	
DRFR200094	Digital Flood Warning Signs at Reddenville Break and Stoney Crossing	Warren Shire Council	NSW - Warren	Installation of digital flood warning signs at the Reddenville Break on Wambianna Road, and at Stoney Crossing on Bundemar Road, Warren NSW.	\$38,511.00	\$0.00	\$38,511.00	\$77,022.00	
DRFR200129	Eurobodalla Emergency Evacuation Centres - back up power generation	Eurobodalla Shire Council	NSW - Eurobodalla	This project will see the procurement, installation and activation of six back-up power generators at Eurobodalla's emergency evacuation centres and critical sites. These facilities are owned/operated by Eurobodalla Council. At the request of the NSW Government, these sites become emergency evacuations centres in times of emergencies and natural disasters.	\$220,200.00	\$0.00	\$220,200.00	\$440,400.00	

DRFID Project title Proponent Cocation (Local Government Area/s or state/territory-wide)			Location			Co-contributions			
	Description	Cth funding	From NSW government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions			
DRFR200116	North Deniliquin Levee Upgrade	Edward River Council	NSW - Edward River	Augmentation and upgrading of the North Deniliquin levee to provide protection up to a 1% Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) flood event with 500mm of freeboard.	\$729,246.00	\$0.00	\$729,246.00	\$1,458,492.00	
DRFR200105	Feasibility Study for Davistown Foreshore Barrier	Central Coast Council	NSW - Central Coast (NSW)	The proposed project will conduct a feasibility study which will provide a detailed assessment of the Davistown foreshore barrier, its design and existing & residual flood risk to the community. This barrier crest would be set at 1.5 m AHD, offering more protection against ocean flooding from the Brisbane Water.	\$87,500.00	\$43,750.00	\$43,750.00	\$175,000.00	

### Attachment B

# **Details of NSW Program administration funding**

Description (how NSW intends to use administration funding awarded)	Cth funding (1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to NSW for projects under Round Two, or a minimum of \$112,500).	Co-contribution (from jurisdiction)	Funding conditions
	\$621,850.64	\$621,850.64	Administrative funding can be used by NSW for costs that directly relates to administering Program rounds for which Commonwealth funding has been delivered. These funds cannot be used for the administration of specific projects (i.e. where NSW is the project proponent). These funds cannot be used for costs directly related to the preparation or facilitation of DRF applications for future rounds (i.e. for project proposals that have not yet been assessed and funded).
			NSW is required to provide updates on the use of administration funding as part of quarterly performance reports.

In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, NSW is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

Annexure 2B - Victoria

# Disaster Ready Fund Round Two – Victoria FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – ENVIRONMENT

Table 1: Form	alities and operation of schedule				
Parties	Commonwealth of Australia (Commonwealth) Victoria (VIC)				
Duration	This Schedule will commence as soon as both Parties sign it and will expire on completion of all projects and performance milestones under the Schedule, in accordance with timeframes outlined in the Program Guidelines and Implementation Plan. The Agreement may be terminated earlier or extended as agreed in writing by the Parties.				
Purpose	This Schedule will support the delivery of projects identified through Round Two of the Disaster Ready Fund (Program), which will help drive long term resilience and sustainability by delivering projects that mitigate the impact of disasters on communities, economies, and the environment. Funding provided under this Schedule will contribute to the delivery of the projects listed at <u>Attachment A</u> , and support state and territory governments with Program administration as established at <u>Attachment B</u> .				
Estimated financial	The Commonwealth will provide to VIC an estimated total financial contribution of \$37,676,910.64 (GST exclusive) in respect of this Schedule.				
contributions	VIC will be responsible for arranging financial and/or in-k projects to an estimated total value of \$42,916,968.00, a administration to an estimated total value of \$556,801.6	and for Program			
	Funding category	AUD			
	Estimated* Commonwealth contribution for projects	\$37,120,109.00			
	Estimated* non-Commonwealth contributions for projects (1)	\$42,916,968.00			
	Estimated* Commonwealth contribution for Program administration (2)	\$556,801.64			
	Estimated* VIC contribution for Program administration (3)	\$556,801.64			
	Estimated* total budget (projects and Program administration)	\$81,150,680.28			
	(1) = value of all financial and in kind contributions to be provided by VIC ar proponents.	nd third party project			
	(2) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, the Commo Program administration is up to 1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth fu projects under Round Two.				

(3) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, VIC is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

\*Amounts shown may not add to totals due to rounding.

# Additional terms

#### Allocation of funds

(1) The Parties understand that this Schedule is made in good faith and there is an expectation that funding will be apportioned to projects as shown at **Attachment A**, and used for Program administration as shown at **Attachment B**.

#### Implementation Plans

- (2) Implementation Plans for each project under the Schedule will be developed by VIC and provided to the Commonwealth for endorsement as soon as possible, but no later than three months after the commencement of this Schedule unless otherwise agreed by the Commonwealth.
  - a. The requirements of the Implementation Plans are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
  - b. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.
  - c. Expenditure of Commonwealth funds awarded cannot be incurred until the Commonwealth has endorsed the Implementation Plan for that project, in writing.
  - d. With written approval from VIC, project proponents can commence activities that use only a co-contribution referred to in <u>Attachment A</u> or do not incur expenditure, prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the Implementation Plan.
  - e. The Commonwealth will not be liable, and should not be held as being liable, for any activities undertaken before an Implementation Plan covering that project is endorsed.

#### Performance monitoring and reporting

- (3) The Parties acknowledge that payments under these agreements would usually be tied to the performance milestones at Table 2 below. In lieu of milestone based payments under this agreement, VIC commits to honouring the reporting obligations required by this Schedule.
- (4) The frequency and timing of reporting under this Schedule is set out at Table 2: Performance requirements and payment summary
- (5) The content requirements of reporting under this Schedule are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by

- the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
- (6) The Commonwealth may use the Program Reporting Material provided by VIC as required under the Program Guidelines, including to inform the monitoring and evaluation of the Disaster Ready Fund.

#### Third party project proponents

- (7) In line with the Program Guidelines, VIC may engage third party project proponents to support the delivery of projects under this Schedule.
- (8) While third party project proponents are not signatories to this Schedule, VIC is solely responsible for ensuring third party compliance with the *Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019*, the Disaster Ready Fund Program Guidelines for Round Two, and the terms and conditions of this Schedule.
- (9) Subject to clause 2.c VIC can enter into negotiation of funding agreements with third party project proponents prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the relevant Implementation Plans.

#### Repayment of amounts to the Commonwealth

- (10) If efficiencies or overspends are identified, funding may be reallocated to/from other projects under this Program in VIC with the Commonwealth's approval, which will not be unreasonably withheld.
- (11) In accordance with subsection 21(4) of the *Disaster Ready Fund Act* 2019, the Commonwealth reserves the right to recover an amount provided under this Schedule, where:
  - a project cannot be delivered in line with the relevant Implementation Plan and the project cannot be appropriately scaled or varied,
  - b. the Commonwealth and VIC cannot reach an agreement on how to reallocate the funds, or
  - c. the Commonwealth considers, in its absolute discretion, that another condition of this Schedule is not met.
- (12) The Commonwealth will determine on a reasonable basis whether an amount should be repaid, and if so, how much should be repaid, with regard to the circumstances of each matter.
- (13) The Commonwealth will not recover an amount provided under this Schedule where the funds have been expended by VIC in good faith on project delivery in line with the relevant Implementation Plan.

#### Intellectual Property rights

- (14)VIC owns the Intellectual Property rights in the Activity Material of projects at Attachment A.
- (15) This Schedule does not affect ownership of any Intellectual Property rights in Existing Material.

- (16)To the extent that the Commonwealth needs to use any of the Activity Material, VIC will agree to terms with the Commonwealth for access to required materials.
- (17) VIC must ensure that any arrangement it enters into with a project proponent includes a licence of Intellectual Property rights to the Commonwealth in a form substantially the same as in clauses 14-16 above.
- (18) This Schedule is subject to the special conditions set out below. If there is any inconsistency between the provisions of this Schedule and the special conditions, the special conditions, to the extent of the inconsistency, prevail.
- (19)[SPECIAL CONDITIONS] All projects listed in '<u>Attachment A Details of</u> <u>VIC Funded Projects'</u>, are exempt from clauses 14-17.

#### Glossary

Activity	The project activity described in this Schedule, including the provision of the Reporting Material.
Activity Material	Any Material, other than Reporting Material, created or developed as a result of Program funding.
Existing Material	Means any Material that:
	(a) was in existence before the receipt of Program funding; or
	(b) is developed independently of Program funding
	and that is incorporated in, supplied with or as part of, or required to be supplied with or as part of, the Activity Material.
Intellectual Property (IP)	Means all copyright, patents, registered and unregistered trademarks (including service marks), registered designs, and other rights resulting from intellectual activity (other than moral rights under the Copyright Act 1968). IP covers the wide range of intangible property that is the result of the creative and intellectual effort of individuals and organisations. This includes but is not limited to inventions, computer programs, databases, data, broadcasts, trade marks and designs.
Project proponent	The entities responsible for delivering the project, including day to day project management. Also known as delivery partners or applicants.
Program/the Program	The Disaster Ready Fund

Reporting Material	Means all implementation plans, performance, final, and ad hoc reports which VIC is required to provide to the Commonwealth for the purposes of keeping the Commonwealth up-to-date with the performance of the Activity, as specified in this schedule.

Table 2: Performar	nce requirements and payment summary		
Output/s	Performance milestones	Due Date	Payment
As detailed in each	VIC enters into a funding agreement with the Commonwealth.	Upon signing of this Schedule by both Parties.	\$37,676,910.64
project application and Implementation Plans.	Commonwealth endorsement of Implementation Plans, submitted by VIC, encompassing all projects under the Schedule.	Implementation Plans submitted to the Commonwealth for endorsement within three months of the commencement of this Schedule. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of Performance Reports, submitted by VIC, encompassing all projects under the Schedule, and updates on the use of administration funding.	Performance Reports submitted to the Commonwealth quarterly, in line with due dates advised by the Commonwealth, until the completion of all projects under the Schedule.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of Final Reports, submitted by VIC, encompassing all completed projects under the Schedule.	Final Reports submitted to the Commonwealth no later than six months from the end of the quarterly Performance Report period that the related projects completed in.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of an Audit Report, submitted by VIC, encompassing all Material Projects under the Schedule.	Audit Report submitted to the Commonwealth no later than nine months from the end of the financial year in which the final project under the Schedule is completed.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of any ad hoc report/s requested.	As specified by the Commonwealth in respect of each request.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of any financial declarations requested.	As specified by the Commonwealth in respect of each request.	N/A

<sup>\*</sup> For the purposes of this Schedule, the following terms have the meanings set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program: Implementation Plan, Performance Reports; Final Report; Audit Report; Material Projects; Ad Hoc Report; Financial Declaration.

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this Schedule as follows:

**Signed** for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by

Senator the Hon Jenny McAllister

Minister for Emergency Management

Minister for Cities

[Day] [Month] [Year]

11. 12. 2024

Signed for and on behalf of VIC by

The Hon Jaclyn Symes MP

Attorney-General

Minister for Emergency Services

18 / 12 / 2024

# Attachment A

# **Details of VIC Funded Projects**

		Proponent	Location (Local ponent Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)			Co-con	tributions	Total project	Eundina
DRFID	Project title				Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200223	Financing Flood Resilient Infrastructure Project	South East Councils Climate Change Alliance (SECCCA)	VIC - Bass Coast, Bayside (Vic.), Cardinia, Casey, Frankston, Greater Dandenong, Kingston (Vic.), Mornington Peninsula, Port Phillip	The Financing Flood Resilient Infrastructure (FFRI) project will work with 9 councils in flood-affected regions to address current risks from flood-related events and build risk- mitigation strategies and resilience. By updating and expanding risk assessments, building investment cases and developing implementation strategies to address priority risks, this project will improve capability and capacity of these councils to identify and implement strategies to address flood-related risk and reduce impacts on communities.	\$4,139,587.00	\$0.00	\$4,149,275.00	\$8,288,862.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local			Co-cor	tributions		
DRFID	Project title		Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200232	Greater Bendigo Waterway Flood Mitigation Management Plans	Greater Bendigo City Council	VIC - Greater Bendigo	The Greater Bendigo Waterway Flood Mitigation Management Plans project will develop management plans for 5 waterways in Epsom, Huntly, Junortoun and Heathcote. The project will include flood modelling, input from hydrologists and ecologists, and workshops with stakeholders to identify a shared vision and priority actions for land managers and the community. Identified actions will support flood mitigation outcomes while protecting and enhancing ecological and cultural values.	\$295,000.00	\$54,000.00	\$298,000.00	\$647,000.00	
DRFR200274	Western Treatment Plant Lake Borrie Foreshore Protection	Melbourne Water Corporation	VIC - Greater Geelong, Wyndham	The Western Treatment Plant Lake Borrie Foreshore Protection project will design and construct ~600m of a combination of rock revetment and rock sill, establishing supported littoral vegetation, to protect the coastal embankments of the Lake Borrie wastewater treatment system from coastal erosion. This will	\$3,735,000.00	\$3,735,000.00	\$0.00	\$7,470,000.00	

			Location (Local t Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)			Co-cor	ntributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent		Description	Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				mitigate the risk of coastal hazards to critical infrastructure, the environment and the community.					
DRFR200224	Climate Resilient Education	Department of Education	VIC - All	The Climate Resilient Education project will assess the cascading and long-term impacts of climate-related disasters and climate change on Victorian education communities, and assess if and how current education helps to build resilience and embeds adaptation. Based on these assessments, the project will co-design strategies with education communities to strengthen disaster and climate resilience and ensure better and more equitable learning and wellbeing outcomes through a changing climate	\$1,310,000.00	\$290,189.00	\$1,156,910.00	\$2,757,099.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local onent Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)			Co-cor	tributions	Takal avaisat	Eunding
DRFID	Project title			Description	Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200233	VICSES in Schools - Flood and Storm Education	Victoria State Emergency Service	VIC - All	The VICSES in Schools - Flood and Storm Education project will develop age- appropriate session plans and guidance material on flood and storm risk safety for students. The new framework and resources will replace the current scattered and inconsistent approaches when VICSES (Victorian State Emergency Services) volunteers engage with around 12,000 school students annually.	\$148,494.00	\$150,414.00	\$0.00	\$298,908.00	
DRFR200228	Securing fire- fighting water - Axedale CFA	Axedale CFA	VIC - Greater Bendigo	The Securing Fire-Fighting Water project will install water tanks and a larger electric pump at Axedale Country Fire Authority (CFA) station to enable secure and more efficient filling of CFA tankers. The new water filling point will increase the stations water security, ability to deliver training, and capacity to effectively respond to and manage fire risk.	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	

			Location (Local onent Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)			Co-con	tributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent		Description	Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200235	Improved hydrological modelling and analytical capability to mitigate bushfire-related risks to water security	Water Research Australia (RA)	ACT - Unincorporated ACT;NSW - All; QLD - All; SA - All; TAS - All; VIC - All; WA - All	The Improved Hydrological Modelling and Analytical Capability to Mitigate Bushfire-Related Risks to Water Security project will develop and implement a framework to assess, monitor and predict bushfire impacts on water quality. The project will build catchment models and analytical laboratory capabilities to increase bushfire preparedness and resilience in water supply catchments, by improving the preparedness of water utilities and catchment managers, and supporting the development of costeffective risk mitigation strategies.	\$482,473.00	\$135,700.00	\$1,691,451.00	\$2,309,624.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local			Co-con	tributions		
DRFID	Project title		Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200328	Fuelling the fire behaviour models of the future: Developing a new in-field fuel assessment guide	Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA)	NSW - All; QLD - All; SA - All; TAS - All; VIC - All	The Fuelling the Fire Behaviour Models of the Future project will develop a new in-field fuel assessment manual that capitalises on proven ground methods and emerging remote sensing technologies. The manual will be used for validating fuel inputs into fire behaviour models and quantifying the effects of fuel treatments. This project may lead to more accurate fire danger ratings and a greater understanding of fuel, fire and climate interactions.	\$3,018,635.00	\$2,653,333.00	\$518,635.00	\$6,190,603.00	
DRFR200297	Are You Ready? Translation Videos	Wyndham City Council	VIC - Melton, Wyndham	The Are You Ready Translation Videos project will create multiple emergency preparedness and awareness videos, translated to assist in educating those communities that are unable to comprehend the current emergency preparedness information. In addition, the translated videos will include first responders messaging.	\$68 <b>,</b> 400.00	\$0.00	\$68,792.00	\$137,192.00	

			Location (Local			Co-cor	tributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200281	Creating Safe Shelter Spaces - Holding a Gendered Lens on Emergency Management Exercises.	Gender and Disaster Australia	VIC - All	The Creating Safe Shelter Spaces project will conduct comprehensive assessments of emergency shelters through a gendered lens in collaboration with Victorian councils. By focusing on the safety and specific needs of vulnerable populations including women, children, and LGBTQIA+ individuals, the project seeks to mitigate the risks of gender-based violence, sexual assault, and other forms of abuse that have been shown to occur within emergency shelters during disasters.	\$249,964.00	\$0.00	\$250,900.00	\$500,864.00	
DRFR200222	Flood to Flourish: empowering communities to adapt to flood risk and strengthen climate change resilience	Monash Sustainable Development Institute	NSW - Tweed; VIC - Latrobe (Vic.), Maribyrnong	The Flood to Flourish project will deliver methods and tools for empowering communities to collaborate in flood risk management and resilience building. These methods and tools will enable communities, Traditional Owners, governments, agencies and industry to collaboratively engage and build resilience capabilities and networks, develop a shared	\$1,425,201.00	\$98,200.00	\$1,539,761.00	\$3,063,162.00	

		title Proponent	Location (Local ponent Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)			Co-cor	tributions		
DRFID	Project title				Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				understanding of flood risk, explore ideas of risk tolerance, identify priorities, and co-develop risk management and resilience solutions.					
DRFR200267	Koondrook Township Levee - Stage 1	Gannawarra Shire Council	VIC - Gannawarra	The Koondrook Township Levee - Stage 1 project is the first in a series of planned stages to construct a levee network to mitigate the risk of riverine flooding in the Koondrook township. This stage will raise the level of Gunbower Parade and install supporting drainage infrastructure to provide protection for a 1% Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) flood event and reduce the need for temporary levees to be built.	\$851,774.00	\$54,215.00	\$168,885.00	\$1,074,874.00	

			Location (Local oponent Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)			Co-cor	ntributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent		Description	Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200284	Examining non- burn fuel treatments to enhance bushfire mitigation options in a changing climate	DEECA	VIC - AII	The Examining Non-Burn Fuel Treatments to Enhance Bushfire Risk Mitigation Options in a Changing Climate project will assess and quantify the effectiveness of different bushfire risk-reduction management activities. Detailed non-burn fuel treatment models and new methods for simulating fire behaviour will be established and incorporated into Victoria's Bushfire Risk Modelling Framework. Enhanced understanding of a broader range of risk mitigation options will increase capability to mitigate elevated bushfire risk.	\$604,876.00	\$704,870.00	\$0.00	\$1,309,746.00	

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DRFID	Project title		Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)		Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200141	Ready Maroondah: Empowering Local Organisations for a Resilient Future	Maroondah City Council	VIC - Maroondah	The Ready Maroondah: Empowering Organisations for a Resilient Future project will increase the capacity and capability of community organisations that provide services to marginalised and/or at-risk community members, improving community resilience to future climate events or disruptions. Through a social network analysis, self- assessment of organisational strengths, and co-design of program activities, council will have a better understanding of community connections, knowledge, attitudes and emergency preparedness which will enable more targeted interventions.	\$205,252.00	\$0.00	\$219,464.00	\$424,716.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local			Co-cor	tributions		- "
DRFID	Project title		Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200230	Consequence- Based, Intelligence- Driven Warnings	Victoria State Emergency Service	VIC - AII	The Consequence-Based, Intelligence-Driven Warnings project ensures more timely, tailored and relevant warnings during flood and storm emergencies, providing information to people to take action and stay safe. Flood warning areas will be based on likely consequences with information in warnings tailored to local impacts through predefined and documented intelligence. Storm warnings issued through VicEmergency will be via data feed from the Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) providing more timely, consistent and relevant information to communities.	\$2,475,000.00	\$2,522,500.00	\$0.00	\$4,997,500.00	

DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Location (Local t Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-cor	ntributions	Total project cost	Euradin a
						From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents		Funding conditions
DRFR200370	Updating the Victorian Arterial Road Bushfire/Grassfi re Risk Assessment and Maps	Department of Transport and Planning	VIC - AII	The Victorian Arterial Road Bushfire/Grassfire Risk Assessment and Maps project will update the Department of Transport and Planning's roadside bushfire/grassfire risk assessment and maps, which were last produced in 2013. The outputs of this project will support predictive modelling, fuel management planning, and mitigation activities. This will underpin an inter- agency approach to mitigating the risk of bushfires starting on, alongside or affecting Victoria's arterial road network and the surrounding environments.	\$396,000.00	\$396,000.00	\$0.00	\$792,000.00	

			Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description		Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent			Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200221	Resilient Asset Management Investment (RAMI)	City of Melbourne	VIC - Darebin, Hobsons Bay, Maribyrnong, Merri-bek, Moonee Valley, Port Phillip, Stonnington, Yarra	The Resilient Asset Management Investment (RAMI) project will build on existing knowledge and risk management initiatives to create a transformative program across inner Melbourne councils. RAMI aims to ensure that investment in resilience is embedded into council processes, so that critical climate and disaster risks become business-as-usual considerations in asset management and funding decisions. Outputs include tool development, system integration, and capability building across finance, asset management and sustainability functions.	\$1,997,272.00	\$0.00	\$4,318,350.00	\$6,315,622.00	
DRFR200220	Cool Communities Moonee Valley	Moonee Valley City Council	VIC - Moonee Valley	The Cool Communities Moonee Valley project will build community resilience to extreme heat. This will be achieved through a trauma- informed capacity building project which includes providing guidance on accessing local cool spaces during heat waves, outreach	\$34,007.00	\$0.00	\$3 <b>4,</b> 610.00	\$68,617.00	

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DRFID						From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				with vulnerable residents, and equipping community leaders with tools and knowledge.					
DRFR200248	Seymour Flood warning system improvements	Mitchell Shire Council	VIC - Mitchell	The Seymour Flood Warning System Improvements project will install additional rain gauges on Goulburn River tributaries and upgrade and expand the existing Total Flood Warning system in the Seymour catchment. This will increase warning lead times and flood height prediction data, and provide more comprehensive flood intelligence for agencies and communities to prepare for and respond to flood events.	\$79,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$44,000.00	\$158,000.00	

			Location (Local ponent Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description		Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent			Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200250	Improving use of the Protocol for Inter-council Emergency Management Resource Sharing in Victoria	The Municipal Association of Victoria	VIC - All	The Improving use of the Protocol for Inter-council Emergency Management Resource Sharing in Victoria project will develop supporting online forms, improve data management systems, update supporting documentation and templates, and develop a model for resource sharing including trained regional champions. Improved use of the Protocol by Councils during emergencies will enhance regional coordination and increase capability and resilience to respond to larger emergencies.	\$200,000.00	\$0.00	\$200,000.00	\$400,000.00	
DRFR200333	Victorian Climate Resilient Councils (VCRC)	Brimbank City Council	VIC - All	The Victorian Climate Resilient Councils project will implement a coordinated, state-wide program of support through a digital platform, resources and direct assistance for Victorian councils to strengthen their knowledge, skills and capacity to prepare for, manage and reduce climate change risks	\$655,740.00	\$0.00	\$984,940.00	\$1,640,68o.oo	

		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title					From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				impacting local government service delivery and operations.					
DRFR200263	Preparing Together Loddon Mallee	Regional Directorate, Loddon Mallee, Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA)	VIC - Buloke, Campaspe, Central Goldfields, Gannawarra, Greater Bendigo, Loddon, Macedon Ranges, Mildura, Mount Alexander, Swan Hill	The Preparing Together Loddon Mallee project will provide leadership training, resources, and bring together the skills, knowledge and experience of First Nations people, young people, multicultural and rural communities with climate disaster experts prioritising opportunities for resilience outcomes. This will integrate unique local knowledge and lived experience into disaster risk reduction action across the region and ensure meaningful inclusive partnerships to support community networks and community-led climate resilience projects.	\$675,000.00	\$551,600.00	\$130,000.00	\$1,356,600.00	

DRFID Proje			Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description		Co-contributions			
	Project title	Proponent			Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200298	Creswick Flood Mitigation Works	Hepburn Shire Council	VIC - Hepburn	The Creswick Flood Mitigation Works project will deliver a new stormwater retention basin on the inside of the levee banks to protect the township from riverine flooding. The basin and the recently completed construction of a stormwater main and pump infrastructure will reduce risk of flash flooding, mitigate the severity of flood impacts, and enhance resilience against severe storm events.	\$236,150.00	\$0.00	\$236,157.00	\$472,307.00	
DRFR200311	Smythesdale Flood Study	Golden Plains Shire	VIC - Golden Plains	The Smythesdale Flood Study project will determine the potential impacts of flooding in the township of Smythesdale. The Flood Mapping will be used to update the Golden Plains Planning Scheme; to inform risks to Aboriginal Cultural Heritage, properties, roads and infrastructure; inform of potential mitigation measures; assist with emergency management planning and community	\$140,515.00	\$27,495.00	\$113,020.00	\$281,030.00	

			Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent				From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				education to build flood resilience.					
DRFR200231	Transition/retre at policy for property and assets impacted by coastal hazards and sea level rise	Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA)	VIC - Bass Coast, Bayside (Vic.), Cardinia, Casey, Colac Otway, Corangamite, East Gippsland, Frankston, Glenelg, Greater Geelong, Hobsons Bay, Kingston (Vic.), Melbourne, Mornington Peninsula, Moyne, Port Phillip, Queenscliffe, South Gippsland, Surf Coast, Warrnambool, Wellington, Wyndham	The Transition/Retreat Policy for Property and Assets Impacted by Coastal Hazards and Sea Level Rise project will deliver policy direction and transition/ retreat adaptation options for Victoria. It will pursue policy options that are equitable, inclusive, fair, straight forward and efficient. Local government will be able to draw on the policy and tools to deliver adaptation plans that call for transition away from in coastal locations impacted by hazards.	\$1,528,250.00	\$2,404,742.00	\$0.00	\$3,932,992.00	
DRFR200257	Permanent power backup for priority nbn fixed wireless sites	NBN Co	VIC - Ballarat, Corangamite, East Gippsland, Hepburn, Mansfield,	The Permanent Power Backup for Priority NBN Fixed Wireless Sites project will install permanent power backup at 6 priority sites in	\$543,600.00	\$0.00	\$543,600.00	\$1,087,200.00	

			Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent				From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
			Mount Alexander	Victoria. This will increase community resilience as NBN customers will be able to stay connected to communication services when commercial power becomes unavailable during natural disasters.					
DRFR200277	Goornong Flood Study	City of Greater Bendigo	VIC - Greater Bendigo	The Goornong Flood Study project will assess, model and map areas at risk of flooding in and around the Goornong township and consider local mitigation options. This will inform the Goornong Structure Plan, a draft document that will guide growth in the Goornong township, and will also inform changes to the Greater Bendigo Planning Scheme. This will ensure consideration of local flood risk in future decisionmaking to reduce flood impacts.	\$125,200.00	\$100,000.00	\$25,200.00	\$250 <b>,</b> 400.00	

DRFID			Location			Co-cor	tributions		
	Project title	Proponent	(Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200322	Protecting Victoria's water catchments by securing remote water supplies for aerial firefighting operations	Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA)	VIC - Alpine, Baw Baw, East Gippsland, Mansfield, Murrindindi, Wellington, Yarra Ranges	The Protecting Victoria's Water Catchments by Securing Remote Water Supplies for Aerial Firefighting Operations project will deliver improvements to Victoria's aerial firefighting operations by establishing 15 heli-dip water points in remote areas. The additional heli-dip water points will reduce the impact of bushfires on Victoria's water supply catchments as a result of reduced helicopter turnaround times and more efficient firebombing activities.	\$4,995,000.00	\$5,384,832.00	\$0.00	\$10,379,832.00	

	Project title		Location (Local			Co-cor	tributions		
DRFID		Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200276	Financial Counselling Disaster-Ready Project: Embedding workforce capabilities to strengthen community resilience	Financial Counselling Victoria Inc	VIC - AII	The Financial Counselling Disaster-Ready Project will enhance the preparedness of the Victorian financial counselling sector to better support communities and reduce the financial impacts of disaster. This will be achieved through 3 concurrent initiatives: sector capacity building; planning and preparation activities; and community resilience building. Among the project activities, this project will deliver an advanced financial counsellor training program, a sector activation plan, and a community awareness program to strengthen resilience.	\$202,150.00	\$0.00	\$210,250.00	\$412,400.00	

			Location (Local			Co-cor	Co-contributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200282	Campaspe Shire Critical Flood Infrastructure for Emergency Response and Resilience	Campaspe Shire Council	VIC - Campaspe	The Campaspe Shire Critical Flood Infrastructure for Emergency Response and Resilience project will deliver flood mitigation infrastructure through acquisition of pumps, trailers, and pipework, and construction of shedding to protect the equipment. Deployment of the new flood infrastructure will allow rapid response and isolation of town drainage systems during flood emergencies, mitigate potential flooding impacts, and build community disaster preparedness capability and resilience.	\$280,000.00	\$0.00	\$280,000.00	\$560,000.00	
DRFR200214	Mt Martha Landslip Protection Works	Mt. Martha Landslip Protection Works	VIC - Mornington Peninsula	The Mt Martha Landslip Protection Works project will reinstate an access road rendered unsafe and unusable after it collapsed and slid onto The Esplanade main road beneath it. The project will also stabilise the embankment and protect this section of road from future slippage onto the main road. Through	\$2,186,400.00	\$0.00	\$2,186,400.00	\$4,372,800.00	

			Location (Local Government Description Area/s or state/ territory-wide)			Co-contributions			Funding conditions
DRFID	Project title	Proponent		Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost		
				construction of engineered retaining walls, future risk to life and property will be significantly mitigated.					
DRFR200369	MacKillop Seasons' Community Resilience Project	MacKillop Family Services	VIC - Ararat, Ballarat, Brimbank, Buloke, Campaspe, Cardinia, Central Goldfields, Colac Otway, East Gippsland, Gannawarra, Greater Bendigo, Greater Shepparton, Hepburn, Hindmarsh, Loddon, Macedon Ranges, Melton, Mildura, Mitchell, Mount Alexander, Murrindindi, Nillumbik, Northern Grampians, South	The MacKillop Seasons' Community Resilience Project will build capacity in local education and community services sector professionals in identified communities, through training, mentoring and co- delivery of evidence informed programs. This will improve resilience among children, parents and carers, professionals, and community members, by increasing their capacity to identify emergency risk factors and impacts, and prepare for and navigate natural disasters.	\$600,000.00	\$0.00	\$600,000.00	\$1,200,000.00	

			Location (Local			Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
			Gippsland, Swan Hill, West Wimmera, Whittlesea, Wodonga, Yarra, Yarriambiack						
DRFR200249	Connewarren Lane Flood Resilience Project	Moyne Shire Council	VIC - Moyne	The Connewarren Lane Flood Resilience Project will enhance resilience and mitigate risk of significant flood impacts in and around the Hopkins River floodplain. Infrastructure improvements in the vicinity of the Hopkins River include culvert upgrades, installation of a gabion mattress and plinth, shoulder protection works and waterproof road pavement re-sheet. Previous efforts have focused on repairs; this project will focus on future proofing.	\$1,550,970.00	\$0.00	\$1,550,970.00	\$3,101,940.00	

			Location (Local			Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From VIC government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200242	Lenne Street, Mooroopna Town, Shepparton City– Drainage Improvements	Greater Shepparton City Council	VIC - Greater Shepparton	The Lenne Street, Mooroopna Town, Shepparton City Drainage Improvements project will deliver structural upgrades to the existing drainage network to mitigate flooding issues. The project includes enhancements to reserve retention capacity, provision of a new pump station, and reconstruction of Howe Street. The upgrades are expected to improve drainage and resolve stormwater flooding, increase traffic access, and protect houses from inundation during heavy rainfall events.	\$1,680,199.00	\$0.00	\$2,094,308.00	\$3,774,507.00	

## Attachment B

## **Details of VIC Program administration funding**

Description (how VIC intends to use administration funding awarded)	Cth funding (1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to VIC for projects under Round Two, or a minimum of \$112,500).	Co-contribution (from jurisdiction)	Funding conditions
	\$556,801.64	\$556,801.64	Administrative funding can be used by VIC for costs that directly relates to administering Program rounds for which Commonwealth funding has been delivered. These funds cannot be used for the administration of specific projects (i.e. where VIC is the project proponent). These funds cannot be used for costs directly related to the preparation or facilitation of DRF applications for future rounds (i.e. for project proposals that have not yet been assessed and funded).  VIC is required to provide updates on the use of administration funding as part of quarterly performance reports.

In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, VIC is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

Annexure 2C - Queensland

# Disaster Ready Fund Round Two — Queensland FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT — ENVIRONMENT

hedule will commence as soon as both Parties signation of all projects and performance milestones unance with timeframes outlined in the Program Guidnentation Plan. The Agreement may be terminated ed in writing by the Parties.  hedule will support the delivery of projects identificated by the Disaster Ready Fund (Program), which will help ce and sustainability by delivering projects that mines on communities, economies, and the environment of under this Schedule will contribute to the delive that the Attachment A, and support state and territory general madministration as established at Attachment B.  Immonwealth will provide to QLD an estimated total ution of \$29,743,041.34 (GST exclusive) in respect that the provide is to an estimated total value of \$22,101,894.00, and stration to an estimated total value of \$439,552.34 processors.	nder the Schedule, delines and dearlier or extended earlier or extended earlier or extended earlier or extended earlier on the impact of the projects overnments with earlier of this Schedule. It will be contributions and for Program			
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(3) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, QLD is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

\*Amounts shown may not add to totals due to rounding.

## Additional terms

#### Allocation of funds

(1) The Parties understand that this Schedule is made in good faith and there is an expectation that funding will be apportioned to projects as shown at <u>Attachment A</u>, and used for Program administration as shown at <u>Attachment B</u>.

#### Implementation Plans

- (2) Implementation Plans for each project under the Schedule will be developed by QLD and provided to the Commonwealth for endorsement as soon as possible, but no later than three months after the commencement of this Schedule unless otherwise agreed by the Commonwealth.
  - a. The requirements of the Implementation Plans are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
  - b. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.
  - Expenditure of Commonwealth funds awarded cannot be incurred until the Commonwealth has endorsed the Implementation Plan for that project, in writing.
  - d. With written approval from QLD, project proponents can commence activities that use only a co-contribution referred to in <u>Attachment A</u> or do not incur expenditure, prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the Implementation Plan.
  - e. The Commonwealth will not be liable, and should not be held as being liable, for any activities undertaken before an Implementation Plan covering that project is endorsed.

#### Performance monitoring and reporting

- (3) The Parties acknowledge that payments under these agreements would usually be tied to the performance milestones at Table 2 below. In lieu of milestone based payments under this agreement, QLD commits to honouring the reporting obligations required by this Schedule.
- (4) The frequency and timing of reporting under this Schedule is set out at Table 2: Performance requirements and payment summary
- (5) The content requirements of reporting under this Schedule are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by

- the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
- (6) The Commonwealth may use the Program Reporting Material provided by QLD as required under the Program Guidelines, including to inform the monitoring and evaluation of the Disaster Ready Fund.

#### Third party project proponents

- (7) In line with the Program Guidelines, QLD may engage third party project proponents to support the delivery of projects under this Schedule.
- (8) While third party project proponents are not signatories to this Schedule, QLD is solely responsible for ensuring third party compliance with the *Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019*, the Disaster Ready Fund Program Guidelines for Round Two, and the terms and conditions of this Schedule.
- (9) Subject to clause 2.c QLD can enter into negotiation of funding agreements with third party project proponents prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the relevant Implementation Plans.

#### Repayment of amounts to the Commonwealth

- (10) If efficiencies or overspends are identified, funding may be reallocated to/from other projects under this Program in QLD with the Commonwealth's approval, which will not be unreasonably withheld.
- (11) In accordance with subsection 21(4) of the *Disaster Ready Fund Act* 2019, the Commonwealth reserves the right to recover an amount provided under this Schedule, where:
  - a project cannot be delivered in line with the relevant Implementation Plan and the project cannot be appropriately scaled or varied,
  - b. the Commonwealth and QLD cannot reach an agreement on how to reallocate the funds, or
  - c. the Commonwealth considers, in its absolute discretion, that another condition of this Schedule is not met.
- (12) The Commonwealth will determine on a reasonable basis whether an amount should be repaid, and if so, how much should be repaid, with regard to the circumstances of each matter.
- (13) The Commonwealth will not recover an amount provided under this Schedule where the funds have been expended by QLD in good faith on project delivery in line with the relevant Implementation Plan.

#### Intellectual Property rights

- (14)QLD owns the Intellectual Property rights in the Activity Material of projects at Attachment A.
- (15) This Schedule does not affect ownership of any Intellectual Property rights in Existing Material.

- (16)To the extent that the Commonwealth needs to use any of the Activity Material, QLD will agree to terms with the Commonwealth for access to required materials.
- (17) QLD must ensure that any arrangement it enters into with a project proponent includes a licence of Intellectual Property rights to the Commonwealth in a form substantially the same as in clauses 14-16 above.
- (18) This Schedule is subject to the special conditions set out below. If there is any inconsistency between the provisions of this Schedule and the special conditions, the special conditions, to the extent of the inconsistency, prevail.
- (19)[SPECIAL CONDITIONS]

#### Glossary

Activity	The project activity described in this Schedule, including the provision of the Reporting Material.
Activity Material	Any Material, other than Reporting Material, created or developed as a result of Program funding.
Existing Material	Means any Material that:  (a) was in existence before the receipt of Program funding; or
	(b) is developed independently of Program funding
	and that is incorporated in, supplied with or as part of, or required to be supplied with or as part of, the Activity Material.
Intellectual Property (IP)	Means all copyright, patents, registered and unregistered trademarks (including service marks), registered designs, and other rights resulting from intellectual activity (other than moral rights under the Copyright Act 1968). IP covers the wide range of intangible property that is the result of the creative and intellectual effort of individuals and organisations. This includes but is not limited to inventions, computer programs, databases, data, broadcasts, trade marks and designs.
Project proponent	The entities responsible for delivering the project, including day to day project management. Also known as delivery partners or applicants.
Program/the Program	The Disaster Ready Fund

Means all implementation plans, performance final, and ad hoc reports which QLD is require provide to the Commonwealth for the purpose keeping the Commonwealth up-to-date with performance of the Activity, as specified in the schedule.
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Output/s	Performance milestones	Due Date	Payment
As detailed in each	QLD enters into a funding agreement with the Commonwealth.	Upon signing of this Schedule by both Parties.	\$29,743,041.34
project application and Implementation Plans.	Commonwealth endorsement of Implementation Plans, submitted by QLD, encompassing all projects under the Schedule.	Implementation Plans submitted to the Commonwealth for endorsement within three months of the commencement of this Schedule. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of Performance Reports, submitted by QLD, encompassing all projects under the Schedule, and updates on the use of administration funding.	Performance Reports submitted to the Commonwealth quarterly, in line with due dates advised by the Commonwealth, until the completion of all projects under the Schedule.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of Final Reports, submitted by QLD, encompassing all completed projects under the Schedule.	Final Reports submitted to the Commonwealth no later than six months from the end of the quarterly Performance Report period that the related projects completed in.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of an Audit Report, submitted by QLD, encompassing all Material Projects under the Schedule.	Audit Report submitted to the Commonwealth no later than nine months from the end of the financial year in which the final project under the Schedule is completed.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of any ad hoc report/s requested.	As specified by the Commonwealth in respect of each request.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of any financial declarations requested.	As specified by the Commonwealth in respect of each request.	N/A

<sup>\*</sup> For the purposes of this Schedule, the following terms have the meanings set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program: Implementation Plan, Performance Reports; Final Report; Audit Report; Material Projects; Ad Hoc Report; Financial Declaration.

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this Schedule as follows:

**Signed** for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by

Senator the Hon Jenny McAllister

Minister for Emergency Management Minister for Cities,

[Day] [Month] [Year]

27.11.24

Signed for and on behalf of QLD by

Ann Lealy

The Hon Ann Leahy MP

Minister for Local Government and Water Minister for Fire, Disaster Recovery and Volunteers

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17/03/2025

## Attachment A

## **Details of QLD Funded Projects**

			Location (Local Government			Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200461	Naturally Brave by Growing With Gratitude, Bushfire Kids Connect and Makers Empire	Growing With Gratitude	QLD - All	The project focuses on fostering resilience in young people, preparing them for disasters and stressors. The initiative is ground-breaking, combining 3D-technology, STEM and wellbeing education to empower students to identify and address local disaster risks. Outcomes include resilient, self-aware, and community-minded individuals, equipped to lead disaster preparedness efforts. This proactive approach aims to mitigate risks and build resilience before disasters strike, utilising innovative technology for effective education and preparation.	\$722,866.00	\$0.00	\$724,555.00	\$1,447,421.00	

			Location (Local Government			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200514	Increasing community resilience and preparedness through trauma care workshops for emergency first responders	CareFlight Ltd	QLD - Aurukun, Banana, Barcaldine, Bulloo, Bundaberg, Burdekin, Carpentaria, Cassowary Coast, Central Highlands (Qld), Charters Towers, Cook, Croydon, Diamantina, Douglas, Etheridge, Fraser Coast, Gladstone, Goondiwindi, Gympie, Hinchinbrook, Ipswich, Isaac, Kowanyama, Livingstone, Longreach, Mackay, Maranoa, Mareeba, Moreton Bay, Mount Isa, Murweh, North Burnett, Palm	CareFlight will deliver 10 Trauma Care Workshops (TCWs) across Queensland annually for 3 years (30 in total), providing advanced trauma care training to up to 630 first responders. TCWs will increase first responders' capability and capacity to enhance the short-term and longer-term outcomes of trauma patients, reducing community vulnerability to the direct and indirect impacts of natural hazards. They will provide peer support and professional development, promoting longevity of service.	\$236,010.00	\$0.00	\$236,216.00	\$472,226.00	

			state/ territory- wide)			Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent		Description	Cth funding	From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
			Island, Pormpuraaw, Redland, Rockhampton, Scenic Rim, Somerset, Southern Downs, Tablelands, Torves, Torres Strait Island, Townsville, Weipa, Western Downs, Whitsunday, Yarrabah						

			Location (Local Government			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200444	Burke Shire Council Disaster Resilience Master Planning Report	Burke Shire Council	QLD - Burke	This project will engage delivery partner, Northlane Consulting Engineers, to conduct high-level investigations and reviews of the current disaster resilience of infrastructure and locations in Burke Shire to prepare and deliver a disaster resilience master planning report to allow council to make informed decisions regarding their disaster preparations and future infrastructure improvements. This report will present council with concept options for consideration and advise if further investigation is required.	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$100,000.00	

			Location (Local Government			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200258	Heatwave mitigation/ mature tree planting in low SEIFA greater western Brisbane	Somerset Regional Council	QLD - Somerset	Somerset residents have a high heatwave risk due to high over-65 population, low socioeconomic status, high disability levels, poor health indicators and other factors. The frequency and duration of heatwaves will increase as average summer temperatures increase from 24C to 27+C by 2070. This project will reduce surface temperatures through planting 1,349 mature trees which will reduce longterm heatwave hospitalisation risks by 8% and fatalities by 4% (AEC).	\$2,085,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,085,000.00	\$4,170,000.00	
DRFR200340	Wujal Wujal Microgrid	Jabalbina Yalanji Aboriginal Corporation	QLD - Douglas, Wujal Wujal	The project delivers a solar and battery microgrid that will provide community-wide back-up power when the Ergon network connection is lost during disaster events. The solar and battery generation site will connect using underground cables to power the Wujal Wujal and Degarra communities. Supplying	\$11,837,161.00	\$0.00	\$36 <b>,</b> 359.00	\$11,873,520.00	

			Location (Local Government			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				continuous power to the communities during disaster events will ensure provision of essential services, telecommunications, food supplies, emergency housing and neutralise any need for mass evacuations.					
DRFR200391	Local Floodplain Management Plan Update 2	Brisbane City Council	QLD - Brisbane	Undertake an update to Brisbane City Council's Local Floodplain Management Plan to incorporate data from updated flood studies, providing an up to date and consolidated review of existing flood risk management information.	\$150,000.00	\$0.00	\$150,000.00	\$300,000.00	
DRFR200380	Boigu Council, Services and Emergency Evacuation Centre Roof Replacement	Torres Strait Island Regional Council	QLD - Torres Strait Island	This project aims to address the existing issues of deteriorated, unsafe, and failing external roofing and internal ceiling at the Boigu Council Office and emergency evacuation centre. The upgrade is essential to prevent further damage caused by water ingress, and it involves replacement and refurbishment with	\$953,627.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$958,627.00	

			Location (Local Government			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				appropriate ceiling and roofing materials.					
DRFR200478	Napranum Multipurpose Place of Refuge Facility - Detailed Design	Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council	QLD - Napranum	This project is to engage a qualified consultant to undertake detailed designs and documentation including cost estimates for Napranum Multipurpose Place of Refuge Facility for extreme hazard events such as bushfires, coastal hazards, cyclones, heatwaves and storms potentially resulting in power loss.	\$381,600.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$381,600.00	
DRFR200435	Burke Shire Council's Disaster Ready Intelligence Network	Burke Shire Council	QLD - Etheridge	The Burke Shire Council Information Network involves the establishment of multi sensors warning system in Burke Shire Local Government Area that provides live micro-climate weather, air quality, remote visibility and remote multicommunication in a single integrated intelligent network. The Network, which features 360° cameras, provides flood warning, local rainfall monitoring, micro-climate	\$224,301.00	\$0.00	\$30,980.00	\$255,281.00	

			Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description		Co-contributions		Total	Funding
DRFID	Project title	Proponent			Cth funding	From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	project cost	conditions
				weather monitoring, including wind speed/gust/direction, and details of relative humidity, barometric pressure, temperature and air quality.					
DRFR200525	Protecting Critical Power Connection to Redland City's Island Communities - Rocky Point, Russell Island	Redland City Council	QLD - Redland	The electricity network is a critical service to communities located on the Southern Moreton Bay Islands (6,153 population) and North Stradbroke Island (2,102 population) in Redland City. This project will improve the resilience of this network by protecting the single network connection infrastructure with the mainland from shoreline erosion and related hazards by completing the detailed design of a living shoreline at Rocky Point, Russell Island.	\$37,250.00	\$0.00	\$37,250.00	\$74,500.00	

			Location (Local Government			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200315	Dirranbandi Drainage Plans Study	Balonne Shire Council	QLD - Balonne	Development of drainage plans for the township of Dirranbandi to inform council on recommended stormwater infrastructure required to more effectively manage flood events. This will include an options analysis, design drawings, modelling, and capital works plans.	\$130,000.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00	\$170,000.00	
DRFR200382	Secure power access for 5 remote islands in the Torres Strait	Torres Strait Island Regional Council	QLD - Torres Strait Island	This project will fund the delivery and installation of 5 back-up generators at Poruma, Dauan, Erub, Boigu and Maubiag Islands to provide emergency back-up for the fuel pumps operated by council in the event of power failure at the standalone central power stations on each island. The continued flow of fuel is essential for the continued operation of back-up generators at essential service.	\$128,769.00	\$0.00	\$6,500.00	\$135,269.00	

			Location (Local Government			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200326	Resilient Care: Strengthening communities and primary healthcare systems	Country to Coast Queensland	QLD - Bundaberg, Fraser Coast, Livingstone, Rockhampton	The Resilient Care program mitigates costly and detrimental health impacts that stem from disasters. By integrating primary healthcare providers and communities into disaster management efforts the program will improve communities' disaster resilience. Country to Coast Queensland (CCQ) and Australian Business Volunteers (ABV) will deliver the program in 4 local governments across Wide Bay and Central Queensland, conducting health resilience assessments, implement projects that improve health resilience and produce evidence-based guidance to support Primary Health Networks (PHNs) across South Australia. Queensland to replicate the model.	\$3,866,388.00	\$0.00	\$4,001,796.00	\$7,868,184.00	

			Location (Local Government	t		Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200399	Queensland Tourism Resilience Platform Phase 2	Department of Tourism and Sport	QLD - All	Phase 2 of the Queensland Tourism Resilience Platform, available to all 77 Local Government Authorities (LGA) across Queensland. Queensland (and some federal government agencies) has a clear project scope separate to the establishment of Phase 1 to focus on acquiring new data sets, economic and climate analysis to bolster resilience planning, and to enable a more informed response to disaster recovery needs at a local, state and federal level.	\$754,322.00	\$754,322.00	\$0.00	\$1,508,644.00	

			Location (Local Government			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200411	Adaptive Community Engagement and Fuel Condition Monitoring for Community Resilience	Healthy Land and Water	QLD - Gold Coast	This project aims to deploy a tailored comprehensive community education and disaster recovery strategy, covering large residential estates, peri-urban, and rural areas. Workshops will engage residents, fire brigades, and land managers; enhancing their knowledge of bushfire preparedness, fire ecology, and community responsibilities. Additionally , a specialized tool will be created that assesses fuel hazard, vegetation condition and post-disaster damage, fostering resilience against various environmental challenges.	\$471,375.00	\$0.00	\$811,401.00	\$1,282,776.00	

			Location (Local Government			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200527	Strengthening Community Resilience Strategy - Flood Resiliency Plan Phases 1 & 2	Cairns Regional Council	OLD - Cairns	The project will deliver updated topographical data and flood modelling of key catchments to map changes that occurred to the landscape and riverine systems following the unprecedented rainfall associated with Ex Tropical Cyclone Jasper (TCJ). The models will rebuild the dataset for key catchments and simulate the hydrological processes of catastrophic events caused by combined effects of tides, storm surges, inundating precipitation, and river discharge to inform hazard risk mitigation.	\$1,089,400.00	\$0.00	\$1,140,900.00	\$2,230,300.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title					From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200424	Detailed Design of Replacement Evans Street Tide Gate Facility	Townsville City Council	QLD - Townsville	The existing Evans Street tide gate facility protects some low-lying tidal areas of Townsville and the facility has reached the end of its useful life and due to its age, there is limited scope to continue refurbishing the facility and now requires replacement. The aim of the project is to facilitate a detailed study and design of a new facility to ensure the community continues to be protected from tidal influences.	\$150,000.00	\$0.00	\$150,000.00	\$300,000.00	
DRFR200420	How are we reducing heathealth risk in Queensland and how will we know?	Griffith University	QLD - All	The MacKillop Seasons project will benefit identified communities by building capacity in local education and community services sector professionals, to address the needs resulting from natural disaster with location-based support and direct delivery for children, young people, and adults. This will be achieved through training, mentoring and co-delivery of evidence informed programs.	\$412,464.00	\$47,913.00	\$507,938.00	\$968,315.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title					From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200528	MacKillop Seasons' Community Resilience Project	Mackillop Family Services	QLD - AII	The MacKillop Seasons' project will benefit identified communities by building capacity in local Education and Community Services sector professionals, to address the needs resulting from natural disaster with location-based support and direct delivery for children, young people and adults. This will be achieved through training, mentoring and co-delivery of evidence informed programs.	\$492,537.00	\$0.00	\$492,721.00	\$985,258.00	
DRFR200318	Far North Queensland (FNQ) Disaster and Domestic Violence Project	James Cook University	QLD - Aurukun, Cairns, Cassowary Coast, Cook, Croydon, Douglas, Etheridge, Hinchinbrook, Hope Vale, Kowanyama, Lockhart River, Mapoon, Mareeba, Napranum, Northern Peninsula Area,	Domestic and family violence (DFV) increases during natural disasters with trauma/ mental health impacts continuing into recovery phases. This project will explore the lived experiences and key issues (nature/extent) of DFV during cyclones, floods and heatwaves in Far North Queensland and Cape York (referred to as FNQ). The project will develop inclusive strategies/actions for disaster risk reduction,	\$448,356.00	\$0.00	\$448,356.00	\$896,712.00	

DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
						From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
			Pormpuraaw, Tablelands, Weipa, Wujal Wujal, Yarrabah	capacity building and improving coordination for immediate disaster responses and long-term resilience.					
DRFR200381	Ensuring continuity of disaster management operations on Badu Island	Torres Strait Island Regional Council	QLD - Torres Strait Island	This project will fund the delivery and installation of a back-up generator for the Badu Council Administration Centre, which is the primary disaster management centre for Badu Island. There are currently no generators for any of the 3 disaster critical facilities on Badu. These generators will provide the only power backup for disaster operations in the event of a power outage in the central power station.	\$105,962.00	\$0.00	\$4,500.00	\$110,462.00	

			Location (Local Government t Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent				From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200455	Gold Coast Climate Risk and Adaptation Planning Project	City of Gold Coast	OLD - Gold Coast	Gold Coast Climate Risk and Adaptation Planning Project will undertake an Local Government Area (LGA) wide Climate Risk and Vulnerability Assessment (CRVA) to increase the understanding of the Gold Coasts current and future climate risks, impacts and vulnerable sectors. It will enable the design of adaptation responses while increasing the adaptive capacity of the community and the city, building the capability of city staff in CRVA and adaptation planning to facilitate monitoring and decisionmaking.	\$200,000.00	\$0.00	\$207,610.00	\$407,610.00	
DRFR200390	Central West Child Disaster Resilience	Outback Futures	OLD - Barcaldine, Barcoo, Blackall Tambo, Longreach, Winton	The Central West Child Disaster Resilience Project will train the community sector in central west Queensland in how to prepare children for disaster and support them post disaster. The training will improve the community knowledge on how to best	\$71,042.00	\$0.00	\$72,332.00	\$143,374.00	

			Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent				From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				support children through disasters, and will reduce the impact of disaster induced trauma on children.					
DRFR200460	Strategic review of Scenic Rim shelters	Scenic Rim Regional Council	QLD - Scenic Rim	A consultant will be engaged to undertake a strategic review of shelters for disaster response and recovery in the Scenic Rim. The project will deliver recommendations for developing an effective network of shelters across the region.	\$37,500.00	\$0.00	\$37,500.00	\$75,000.00	
DRFR200474	Deception Bay, Captain Cook Parade, Seawall Replacement	City of Moreton Bay Council	QLD - Moreton Bay	The Deception Bay, Captain Cook Parade Seawall project will replace a section of failed rock/shotcrete seawall. The project is to build a 120 metre long, 6 m wide, stepped concrete seawall that can be raised in the future to address climate change. The works also include reconstruction of one stormwater outlet and 3 new sets of foreshore pedestrian access steps.	\$2,150,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,150,000.00	\$4,300,000.00	

			Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent				From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200329	Millbank Drainage Improvements: Detailed Design	Bundaberg Regional Council	QLD - Bundaberg	The Millbank Drainage Improvements detailed design will combine grey and blue-green infrastructure to directly reduce flood risk to properties subject to localised overland flooding. The focus area of this flood risk mitigation project will experience a reduction of up to 35% in the number of buildings experiencing above-floor flooding (2% Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) event) and up to a 25% reduction in Average Annual Damages, delivering significant benefits to a vulnerable community cohort.	\$200,000.00	\$0.00	\$200,000.00	\$400,000.00	

DRFID		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
	Project title					From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200453	Southern Currumbin Creek Training Wall Upgrade	City of Gold Coast	QLD - Gold Coast	The Currumbin training wall is a 200m long coastal protection structure that was constructed in 1973. The training wall maintains the alignment of the northern section of Currumbin Beach and ensures there is a wide beach for protection of public infrastructure. The proposed upgrade of the structure ensures it continues to provide effective coastal protection against coastal hazards for the next 50 years.  Construction works anticipate commencing in February 2025.	\$897,559.00	\$0.00	\$6,006,745.00	\$6,904,304.00	

DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description		Co-cont	ributions	Total project cost	Funding conditions
					Cth funding	From QLD government sources	From non- government project proponents		
DRFR200371	Increasing Investment in Infrastructure Resilience (IIIR)	Queensland Investment Corporation (QIC)	QLD - All	Increasing Investment in Infrastructure Resilience (IIIR) initiative will develop a guidebook for investors to assess the resilience of infrastructure assets and identify opportunities to reduce direct and external disaster risk and prevent impacts to communities and infrastructure services. Two resilient investment cases will be developed as guidance examples focused on a major port, and a renewable energy asset.	\$970,000.00	\$582,500.00	\$1,133,500.00	\$2,686,000.00	

### Attachment B

## **Details of QLD Program administration funding**

Description (how QLD intends to use administration funding awarded)	Cth funding (1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to OLD for projects under Round Two, or a minimum of \$112,500).	Co-contribution (from jurisdiction)	Funding conditions
	\$439,552.34	\$439,552.34	Administrative funding can be used by QLD for costs that directly relates to administering Program rounds for which Commonwealth funding has been delivered. These funds cannot be used for the administration of specific projects (i.e. where QLD is the project proponent). These funds cannot be used for costs directly related to the preparation or facilitation of DRF applications for future rounds (i.e. for project proposals that have not yet been assessed and funded).  QLD is required to provide updates on the use of administration funding as part of quarterly performance reports.

In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, QLD is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

Annexure 2D – Western Australia

## Disaster Ready Fund Round Two - Western Australia FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT - ENVIRONMENT

Parties	Commonwealth of Australia (Commonwealth) Western Australia (WA)						
Duration	This Schedule will commence as soon as both Parties sign it and will expire on completion of all projects and performance milestones under the Schedule, in accordance with timeframes outlined in the Program Guidelines and Implementation Plan. The Agreement may be terminated earlier or extended as agreed in writing by the Parties.						
Purpose	This Schedule will support the delivery of projects identife Two of the Disaster Ready Fund (Program), which will he resilience and sustainability by delivering projects that me disasters on communities, economies, and the environme provided under this Schedule will contribute to the delivering listed at Attachment A, and support state and territory of Program administration as established at Attachment B	Ip drive long term litigate the impact of ent. Funding ery of the projects governments with					
Estimated financial	The Commonwealth will provide to WA an estimated total financial contribution of \$38,322,129.90 (GST exclusive) in respect of this Schedule.						
contributions	WA will be responsible for arranging financial and/or in-kind contributions for projects to an estimated total value of \$20,750,840.00, and for Program administration to an estimated total value of \$566,336.90.						
	Funding category	AUD					
	Estimated* Commonwealth contribution for projects	\$37,755,793.00					
	Estimated* non-Commonwealth contributions for projects (1)	\$20,750,840.00					
	Estimated* Commonwealth contribution for Program administration (2)	\$566,336.90					
	Estimated* WA contribution for Program administration (3)	\$566,336.90					
	Estimated* total budget (projects and Program administration)	\$59,639,306.80					
	(1) = value of all financial and in kind contributions to be provided by WA ar proponents.	nd third party project					
	(2) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, the Commonwealth contribution for Program administration is up to 1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to WA for projects under Round Two.						

(3) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, WA is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

\*Amounts shown may not add to totals due to rounding.

## Additional terms

#### Allocation of funds

(1) The Parties understand that this Schedule is made in good faith and there is an expectation that funding will be apportioned to projects as shown at <u>Attachment A</u>, and used for Program administration as shown at <u>Attachment B</u>.

#### Implementation Plans

- (2) Implementation Plans for each project under the Schedule will be developed by WA and provided to the Commonwealth for endorsement as soon as possible, but no later than three months after the commencement of this Schedule unless otherwise agreed by the Commonwealth.
  - a. The requirements of the Implementation Plans are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
  - b. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.
  - Expenditure of Commonwealth funds awarded cannot be incurred until the Commonwealth has endorsed the Implementation Plan for that project, in writing.
  - d. With written approval from WA, project proponents can commence activities that use only a co-contribution referred to in <u>Attachment A</u> or do not incur expenditure, prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the Implementation Plan.
  - e. The Commonwealth will not be liable, and should not be held as being liable, for any activities undertaken before an Implementation Plan covering that project is endorsed.

### Performance monitoring and reporting

- (3) The Parties acknowledge that payments under these agreements would usually be tied to the performance milestones at Table 2 below. In lieu of milestone based payments under this agreement, WA commits to honouring the reporting obligations required by this Schedule.
- (4) The frequency and timing of reporting under this Schedule is set out at <u>Table 2: Performance requirements and payment summary</u>
- (5) The content requirements of reporting under this Schedule are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by

- the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
- (6) The Commonwealth may use the Program Reporting Material provided by WA as required under the Program Guidelines, including to inform the monitoring and evaluation of the Disaster Ready Fund.

#### Third party project proponents

- (7) In line with the Program Guidelines, WA may engage third party project proponents to support the delivery of projects under this Schedule.
- (8) While third party project proponents are not signatories to this Schedule, WA is solely responsible for ensuring third party compliance with the *Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019*, the Disaster Ready Fund Program Guidelines for Round Two, and the terms and conditions of this Schedule.
- (9) Subject to clause 2.c WA can enter into negotiation of funding agreements with third party project proponents prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the relevant Implementation Plans.

#### Repayment of amounts to the Commonwealth

- (10) If efficiencies or overspends are identified, funding may be reallocated to/from other projects under this Program in WA with the Commonwealth's approval, which will not be unreasonably withheld.
- (11) In accordance with subsection 21(4) of the *Disaster Ready Fund Act* 2019, the Commonwealth reserves the right to recover an amount provided under this Schedule, where:
  - a project cannot be delivered in line with the relevant Implementation Plan and the project cannot be appropriately scaled or varied,
  - b. the Commonwealth and WA cannot reach an agreement on how to reallocate the funds, or
  - c. the Commonwealth considers, in its absolute discretion, that another condition of this Schedule is not met.
- (12) The Commonwealth will determine on a reasonable basis whether an amount should be repaid, and if so, how much should be repaid, with regard to the circumstances of each matter.
- (13) The Commonwealth will not recover an amount provided under this Schedule where the funds have been expended by WA in good faith on project delivery in line with the relevant Implementation Plan.

#### Intellectual Property rights

- (14)WA owns the Intellectual Property rights in the Activity Material of projects at Attachment A.
- (15) This Schedule does not affect ownership of any Intellectual Property rights in Existing Material.

- (16)To the extent that the Commonwealth needs to use any of the Activity Material, WA will agree to terms with the Commonwealth for access to required materials.
- (17) WA must ensure that any arrangement it enters into with a project proponent includes a licence of Intellectual Property rights to the Commonwealth in a form substantially the same as in clauses 14-16 above.
- (18) This Schedule is subject to the special conditions set out below. If there is any inconsistency between the provisions of this Schedule and the special conditions, the special conditions, to the extent of the inconsistency, prevail.
- (19)[SPECIAL CONDITIONS] The following projects are exempt from clauses 14-16
  - a. DRFR200017: The Adaptation Game Canning
  - b. DRFR200091: Tjuntjuntjara Fire Rescue and Emergency Disaster Ready Project
  - c. DRFR200048: Network vulnerability assessment for WA state roads

#### Glossary

Activity	The project activity described in this Schedule, including the provision of the Reporting Material.
Activity Material	Any Material, other than Reporting Material, created or developed as a result of Program funding.
Existing Material	Means any Material that:  (a) was in existence before the receipt of Program funding; or
	(b) is developed independently of Program funding
	and that is incorporated in, supplied with or as part of, or required to be supplied with or as part of, the Activity Material.
Intellectual Property (IP)	Means all copyright, patents, registered and unregistered trademarks (including service marks), registered designs, and other rights resulting from intellectual activity (other than moral rights under the Copyright Act 1968). IP covers the wide range of intangible property that is the result of the creative and intellectual effort of individuals and organisations. This includes but is not limited to inventions, computer programs, databases, data, broadcasts, trade marks and designs.

Project proponent	The entities responsible for delivering the project, including day to day project management. Also known as delivery partners or applicants.
Program/the Program	The Disaster Ready Fund
Reporting Material	Means all implementation plans, performance, final, and ad hoc reports which WA is required to provide to the Commonwealth for the purposes of keeping the Commonwealth up-to-date with the performance of the Activity, as specified in this schedule.

Output/s	Performance milestones	Due Date	Payment
As detailed in each project application and	WA enters into a funding agreement with the Commonwealth.	Upon signing of this Schedule by both Parties.	\$38,322,129.90
Implementation Plans.	Commonwealth endorsement of Implementation Plans, submitted by WA, encompassing all projects under the Schedule.	Implementation Plans submitted to the Commonwealth for endorsement within three months of the commencement of this Schedule. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of Performance Reports, submitted by WA, encompassing all projects under the Schedule, and updates on the use of administration funding.	Performance Reports submitted to the Commonwealth quarterly, in line with due dates advised by the Commonwealth, until the completion of all projects under the Schedule.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of Final Reports, submitted by WA, encompassing all completed projects under the Schedule.	Final Reports submitted to the Commonwealth no later than six months from the end of the quarterly Performance Report period that the related projects completed in.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of an Audit Report, submitted by WA, encompassing all Material Projects under the Schedule.	Audit Report submitted to the Commonwealth no later than nine months from the end of the financial year in which the final project under the Schedule is completed.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of any ad hoc report/s requested.	As specified by the Commonwealth in respect of each request.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of any financial declarations requested.	As specified by the Commonwealth in respect of each request.	N/A

<sup>\*</sup> For the purposes of this Schedule, the following terms have the meanings set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program: Implementation Plan, Performance Reports; Final Report; Audit Report; Material Projects; Ad Hoc Report; Financial Declaration.

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this Schedule as follows:

Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by

Senator the Hon Jenny McAllister Minister for Emergency Management

Minister for Cities

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Signed for and on behalf of WA by

The Hon Stephen Dawson MLC

Minister for Emergency Services, Innovation and the Digital Economy, Science; Medical Research, and Industry Development, Jobs and Trade

[Day] [Month] [Year]

12/12/2024

## Attachment A

## Details of WA Funded Projects

DRFID		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
	Project title					From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200015	Evacuation Centre Emergency Power Redundancy Project	Shire of Mundaring	WA - Mundaring	The Evacuation Centre Emergency Power Redundancy Project will install a generator at Mundaring Arena, the area's primary evacuation centre. Recent bushfire and storm emergencies highlighted vulnerabilities in the Arena's external power grid reliance. The project will mitigate the risks that power loss poses to community well-being during a natural disaster. The supply of uninterrupted power will enhance the evacuation centre's resilience, safeguarding evacuees effectively during emergencies.	\$91,235.00	\$0.00	\$91,235.00	\$182,470.00	

			Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent				From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200067	Eastern Community Resilience Centre	Shire of Derby/West Kimberley	WA - Derby- West Kimberley	The Eastern Community Resilience Centre will provide a critical central location for the provision of services for up the more than 24 Indigenous communities that get isolated when the road between Derby and Fitzroy Crossing is closed. The Hub will consist of accommodation, storage, caretaker facilities, power and water supply, helipad and will be located within the Bayulu Community on land subleased to the Gamdoowa Gooniyandi Aboriginal Corporation.	\$5,373,800.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,373,800.00	
DRFR200022	Bunbury Storm Surge Barrier Rock Protection Structure Repair	WA Department of Transport - Maritime	WA - Bunbury	Bunbury Storm Surge Barrier (SSB) Rock Protection Structure Repair Project aims to repair the supporting rock protection structures of the SSB. Mitigating the risk of inundation to 2100 residential buildings, 500 commercial businesses located in the eastern section of the City by re- engineering the degraded	\$3,766,720.00	\$3,369,372.00	\$1,227,806.00	\$8,363,898.00	

DRFID Pr			Location (Local	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)			From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				supporting rock structures. The upgraded design will withstand a 200 yr. inundation event and extend the operational life of the rock structures to 2076 (50yrs).					
DRFR200091	Tjuntjuntjara Fire Rescue and Emergency Disaster Ready Project	Paupiyala Tjarutja Aboriginal Corporation	WA - Kalgoorlie- Boulder, Menzies	The Tjuntjuntjara Fire Rescue and Emergency Disaster Ready Project supports community first responders in preventing & attending fire, flood and rescue emergencies by providing essential facilities & appliances to respond to incidents. Without this investment, Tjuntjuntjara is exposed to increasing & catastrophic risk of fire and flood events, as evidenced by major floods in March 2024 and the loss of our Aged Care Centre in a catastrophic fire in 2023.	\$2,334,000.00	\$0.00	\$325,000.00	\$2,659,000.00	

DRFID P		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
	Project title					From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200014	Bushfire Warning Systems – Electronic Fire Danger Rating Signage	City of Busselton	WA - Busselton	Bushfire Warning Systems – Electronic Fire Danger Rating Signage will implement 5 signs in strategic locations to increase awareness and improve communication of fire risks in the community. A communication tool that assists in educating and building community preparedness and understanding of bushfire risk that exists within the region on any given day. Fire danger ratings provide information on actions to protect yourself and others from dangerous impacts of bushfire.	\$66,000.00	\$0.00	\$66,000.00	\$132,000.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title					From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200029	Southwest Doppler Radar Project: Improving Natural Hazard Preparedness in Western Australia's Southwest Region	Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development	WA - Augusta Margaret River, Bridgetown- Greenbushes	The Southwest Doppler Radar project will implement a C-Band Doppler Radar tower and supporting infrastructure in southwest Western Australia. The radar uses the Doppler effect, providing enhanced weather data and produces detailed weather forecasts. This capability provides significant benefit to disaster management through increased hazard detection and risk assessment capacity. It improves the ability of emergency services, primary industries, and regional communities to plan, respond, and allocate resources effectively.	\$4,290,000.00	\$4,190,000.00	\$135,000.00	\$8,615,000.00	

	Project title	Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contr	ibutions		
DRFID						From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200069	Characterisation of Coastal Sediment Cells along the WA South Coast	Department of Transport	WA - Albany, Augusta Margaret River, Busselton, Denmark, Dundas, Esperance, Jerramungup, Manjimup, Nannup, Ravensthorpe	Characterisation of Coastal Sediment Cells along WA South Coast will identify, map and characterise 2D sediment cells between Cape Naturaliste and the SA border. Sediment cell definition helps align coastal disaster mitigation actions with coastal landforms and reduce knock-on effects. The project informs decision-making in preparation for coastal hazards and risks, and assists in understanding sea level rise impacts, and is a key tool for catchment-to-coast management.	\$249,680.00	\$251,844.00	\$0.00	\$501,524.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title					From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200049	Increasing Bushfire Readiness and Resilience for Purnululu National Park World Heritage Area	WA Department of Biodiversity, Conservation & Attractions	WA - Halls Creek	Increasing Bushfire Readiness and Resilience for Purnululu National Park World Heritage Area is a project led by the WA Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) to construct additional bore infrastructure at existing water points. This will assist in reducing the impact and risk of, and increasing resilience to, bushfires by building capacity of first responders through sustained access to critical water supplies for aerial and ground suppression activities.	\$192,155.00	\$221,712.00	\$0.00	\$413,867.00	-

			Location (Local Government			Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200072	Supporting community connectivity in times of disaster	Shire of Westonia	WA - Westonia	Supporting community connectivity in times of disaster project will protect and support the community during a natural disaster events by installing a backup generator power supply, and NBN satellite-connection devices to our evacuation centre. During an emergency, the ability to communicate can be key to survival, these devices will provide power, internet and phone access even if the Telstra or Optus services have failed.	\$35,247.00	\$0.00	\$35,247.00	\$70,494.00	
DRFR200044	Smoke Detection Camera System Trial	Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions - Parks and Wildlife Service	WA - Augusta Margaret River, Bridgetown- Greenbushes, Busselton, Donnybrook- Balingup, Manjimup, Nannup	Smoke Detection Camera System Trial is a year-long trial to test the effectiveness of artificial intelligence in detecting early smoke generated by bushfires in the south west of Western Australia. The early detection of fires leads to improved response times to combat bushfire in its early stages ultimately resulting in less destruction. A comparison between detection aircraft, lookout	\$166,500.00	\$167,072.00	\$0.00	\$333,572.00	

			Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)			Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent			Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				towers and cameras will be analysed at the end of the trial.					
DRFR200004	Kununurra Regional Multi- Purpose Emergency Evacuation Centre (Stage 1)	Shire of Wyndham East Kimberley	WA - Wyndham- East Kimberley	The Kununurra Regional Multi-Purpose Emergency Evacuation Centre, Stage 1 project encompasses a cyclone-rated upgrade to the existing Leisure Centre and construction of additional facilities (commercial kitchen, ablution areas, court, multifunctional rooms). The centre will meet cultural requirements for the many First Nations Communities in the Region, building community resilience during normal times through training and educational programs and transforming to an evacuation centre and emergency response hub during natural disasters.	\$14,127,498.00	\$0.00	\$1,569,722.00	\$15,697,220.00	

			Location (Local Government			Co-contr	ibutions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200058	Building Coastal Resilience in Perth's Communities	Perth NRM	WA - Cambridge, Fremantle, Joondalup, Stirling, Wanneroo	Building Coastal Resilience in Perth's Communities is a community-driven green infrastructure, education and monitoring project designed to address coastal hazards within the region. Through three core program areas (nature-based restoration, citizen science monitoring and education) it will mitigate coastal hazard risks, empower the community through onground action, and better prepare Perth's community for future natural disasters.	\$793,925.00	\$465,209.00	\$1,036,368.00	\$2,295,502.00	
DRFR200017	The Adaptation Game Canning	City of Canning	WA - Canning	The Adaptation Game (TAG) Canning Project is a community engagement, education and capacity building tool to assist the community to prepare for and respond to potential climate disaster events. TAG Canning is a facilitated table-top game simulating the impacts of climate change events in the local Canning area, used to raise awareness about what climate change looks like to	\$30,500.00	\$0.00	\$30,500.00	\$61,000.00	

			Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)			Co-contr	ibutions		Funding conditions
DRFID	Project title	Proponent			Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	
				help people identify actions to adapt and become more climate resilient.	=				
DRFR200085	Safe Lives	Bunuba Dawangarri Aboriginal Corporation	WA - Derby- West Kimberley	Safe Lives project will install a Solar-Lithium Microgrid System made up of 6kW Solar, 10kVA A/C Inverter and 21kWh of Lithium Iron Phosphate Batteries (the Microgrid Project) to power eleven remote Muway Communities across a 150km radius around Fitzroy Crossing. The Microgrid Project will mitigate communication, evacuation and preparedness risks associated with relying on diesel generators during natural hazard emergencies.	\$800,000.00	\$0.00	\$150,000.00	\$950,000.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description		Co-conti	ributions	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFID	Project title				Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents		
DRFR200047	WA Tsunami Inundation Modelling Project—Phase 4	Department of Fire and Emergency Services, WA	WA - Ashburton, Carnarvon, Chapman Valley, Exmouth, Northampton, Shark Bay	The WA Tsunami Inundation Modelling Project (WATIMP)—Phase 4 will deliver the first evidence-informed earthquake-generated tsunami evacuation maps in northwest WA from Onslow to Kalbarri. The project will also deliver products to inform land use planning in the same area. This will ensure that communities at risk of tsunamis are better prepared. WATIMP Phase 4 will build on the existing WATIMP Phase 1 to 3 which focused on Geraldton to Busselton.	\$613,483.00	\$796,815.00	\$0.00	\$1,410,298.00	

			Location (Local Government t Area/s or state/ territory- wide)			Co-contr	ibutions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent			Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200059	Disability Inclusive Emergency Planning (DIEP) Forums	Department of Fire and Emergency Services	WA - Albany, Armadale, Augusta Margaret River, Bridgetown- Greenbushes, Busselton, Cockburn, Karratha, Mandurah, Manjimup, Murray, Swan	The Disability Inclusive Emergency Planning (DIEP) forums project will deliver 11 forums state-wide. Hosted in partnership with local governments (LG) and facilitated by the University of Sydney (UniSyd), the forums will bring together local emergency services, services providers and community members living with disability to co-design solutions to local emergency issues. Reports provided by UniSyd will be used by LGs to prioritise Disability Inclusive Disaster Risk Reduction (DIDRR) initiatives locally.	\$314,196.00	\$329,808.00	\$43,000.00	\$687,004.00	

			Location (Local Government			Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200048	Network vulnerability assessment for WA state roads	Main Roads Western Australia	WA - All	Network vulnerability assessment for WA state roads' aims to develop a dynamic datadriven vulnerability assessment tool, to assist provide strategic analysis to inform targeted, costeffective resilience building across the WA state road networks. Vulnerability assessment outcomes will purposely highlight communities that have existing or growing vulnerability to network closures and disruptions and are at risk of isolation and being cutoff from support services as a result of natural hazard events.	\$300,000.00	\$789,581.00	\$0.00	\$1,089,581.00	
DRFR200051	Coastal Resilience Enhancement Project	City of Fremantle	WA - Fremantle	The Coastal Enhancement Resilience project aims to improve drainage at Fremantle Sailing Club and Johannah Street by installing tidal valves, pumps, and water treatment systems. This will help prevent flooding during storms, enhance water quality, and boost	\$659,100.00	\$0.00	\$1,700,800.00	\$2,359,900.00	

			Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)			Co-conti	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent		Description	Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding
				community safety and infrastructure resilience against climate change effects.					
DRFR200024	Gilbert Street Flood Pumps Upgrade	Town of Port Hedland	WA - Port Hedland	The Gilbert Street Flood Pumps Upgrade project will reduce storm water flood hazard risk by replacing three flood pumps within the Port Hedland commercial and industrial area. The project will strengthen the Town's capacity to manage storm water hazard impacts in West End Area of Port Hedland.	\$500,000.00	\$0.00	\$500,000.00	\$1,000,000.00	
DRFR200026	Community Safety AFDR Signs	City of Kalamunda	WA - Kalamunda	Community Safety AFDR Signs project will address the need to upgrade signs to electronic digital messaging boards to modernise and increase community resilience and preparedness by having access to all emergency information immediately without delays. Residents of Kalamunda need access to this information as soon as practical as more than 90% of Kalamunda has been	\$65,000.00	\$0.00	\$67,620.00	\$132,620.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description		Co-contr	ibutions	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFID	Project title				Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents		
				identified by the DFES as a bushfire-prone area.					
DRFR200054	Installation of automated sprinkler systems at two hospitals in the Rockingham Peel Region	Rockingham Peel Group	WA - Murray, Rockingham	Installation of automated sprinkler systems at two hospitals in the Rockingham Peel Region, Rockingham General Hospital and Murray District Hospital, would offer a critical early intervention and mitigation option that is currently unavailable and provide better protect the critical health infrastructure in the event of a bushfire. The water suppressant treatment would minimise the risk of ember attack on the healthcare facilities while DFES are en-route.	\$65,000.00	\$66,000.00	\$0.00	\$131,000.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	•	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title				Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200005	City of Joondalup Coastal Hazard Management Program	City of Joondalup	WA - Joondalup	The City of Joondalup Coastal Hazard Management Program is a multi-faceted approach to mitigate coastal hazards impacts. Sand nourishment will provide a buffer to coastal erosion. The coastal monitoring program will identify current risks while the Coastal Hazard Assessment will determine potential future hazards and inform adaptation options. Improving the understanding of hazards will allow informed coastline management decisions to be made for the community's continued enjoyment of the coast.	\$676,469.00	\$0.00	\$676,469.00	\$1,352,938.00	

			Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description		Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent			Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200013	Stubbs Park Evacuation Centre Redevelopment	Shire of Dumbleyung	WA - Dumbleyung	The Stubbs Park Evacuation Centre Redevelopment is a construction project that will redevelop an existing community facility to deliver a modern, fully functional, accessible, and fit-for- purpose evacuation centre. The redeveloped facility will be capable of safely accommodating displaced residents from across the Shire of Dumbleyung who are impacted by emergency events. The project will strengthen the Shire's capability to prepare for and provide emergency relief and support during an incident.	\$1,100,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,110,000.00	\$2,210,000.00	

			Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)			Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent			Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200006	Completion of Augusta Volunteer Marine Rescue Headquarters	Augusta Volunteer Marine Rescue	WA - Augusta Margaret River	Completion of Augusta Volunteer Marine Rescue headquarters at Augusta Boat Harbour will enhance emergency response times in the event of water-based rescues. Response times will be significantly reduced through minimising delays in mobilising rescue personnel and travel times associated with towing and launching rescue vessels. This will reduce the risk of tragedies arising from ineffective water-based rescues and evacuations during catastrophic bushfires, and at sea from storms affecting multiple vessels.	\$797,500.00	\$842,375.00	\$146,000.00	\$1,785,875.00	

			Location (Local			Co-contr	ibutions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200042	Fire Danger Rating Signs - Digital	Shire of Harvey	WA - Harvey	Fire Danger Rating Signs - Digital project will increase awareness and educate communities about potential fire danger by installing 5 digital fire danger rating signs throughout the Shire of Harvey. It is proposed that these signs will be in key locations along main roads and entering high bushfire risk areas. These digital signs will provide Real-time Updates, Visibility and Attention, Customisation, Remote Management, and Integration with other systems (Emergency WA).	\$75,000.00	\$0.00	\$75,000.00	\$150,000.00	
DRFR200003	Shire of Waroona Evacuation Centre Back Up Power Supply	Shire of Waroona	WA - Waroona	Shire of Waroona Evacuation Centre Back Up Power Supply project entails upgrading the switchboard at the Waroona Recreation and Aquatic Centre (WRAC) to enable a generator to power the facility when the electricity network has been impacted by a disaster. The WRAC is the Shire's primary evacuation centre. Enabling a backup power supply will	\$37,769.00	\$0.00	\$37,769.00	\$75,538.00	

DRFID			Location (Local			Co-contr	Co-contributions		Funding conditions
	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	
				enhance preparedness and resilience by preventing disruption for evacuees and management in times of crisis.					
DRFR200046	Broome Recreation Aquatic Centre (BRAC) Importance Level 4 (IL4) Upgrades	Shire of Broome	WA - Broome	Broome Recreation Aquatic Centre (BRAC) Importance Level 4 (IL4) Upgrades project is to undertake structural improvements to the Broome Recreation Aquatic Centre (BRAC) to ensure that the building meets current day requirements for a building that is specified as importance level 4 (IL4) and utilised as the Shire of Broome Emergency Evacuation Centre.	\$115,443.00	\$0.00	\$115,443.00	\$230,886.00	

		Location (Local Government Project title Proponent Area/s or Description Cth funding state/ territory- wide)	(Local			Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title		Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions		
DRFR200056	Standby Emergency Power Supply – Meckering Evacuation Centre	Shire of Cunderdin	WA - Cunderdin	The Standby Emergency Power Supply project aims to install a power system at the Meckering Evacuation Centre, addressing the critical absence of emergency power during natural disasters like bushfires, storms, earthquakes and floods. Anticipated outcomes include improved community safety, enhanced evacuation center functionality, and increased resilience to power disruptions. The project aligns with disaster risk reduction objectives, contributing to a safer and more prepared Meckering and nearby communities.	\$73,282.00	\$0.00	\$73,282.00	\$146,564.00	

			Location (Local Government			Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200035	Pingelly Evacuation Centre Redundancy Power Project	Shire of Pingelly	WA - Brookton, Corrigin, Cuballing, Narrogin, Pingelly, Wandering, Wickepin	Pingelly Evacuation Centre Redundancy Power Project includes the purchase and installation of a 100kVA generator and associated switchboard connections to the Pingelly Recreation and Cultural Centre (PRACC). Which has been identified as the region's evacuation centre for Pingelly, and the wider region of Wandering, Wickepin, Corrigin, Brookton, Cuballing, Popanyinning, Narrogin, and other locations as required.	\$23,791.00	\$0.00	\$23,791.00	\$47,582.00	
DRFR200050	Evacuation Centre Emergency Backup Power Supply - Wongan Hills Recreation Complex	Shire of Wongan-Ballidu	WA - Wongan- Ballidu	Evacuation Centre Emergency Backup Power Supply - Wongan Hills Recreation Complex project involves the provision of a fixed, auto-start generator for the local recreation centre which serves as an emergency evacuation centre for the Shire. This will ensure critical services such as shelter, food and water can be offered during the event of a power outage, as there is currently no backup	\$22,500.00	\$0.00	\$25,000.00	\$47,500.00	

			Location (Local		Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description		From WA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				power source for this building.					

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## Attachment B

## Details of WA Program administration funding

Description (how WA intends to use administration funding awarded)	Cth funding (1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to WA for projects under Round Two, or a minimum of \$112,500).	Co-contribution (from jurisdiction)	Funding conditions
	\$566,336.90	\$566,336.90	Administrative funding can be used by WA for costs that directly relates to administering Program rounds for which Commonwealth funding has been delivered. These funds cannot be used for the administration of specific projects (i.e. where WA is the project proponent). These funds cannot be used for costs directly related to the preparation or facilitation of DRF applications for future rounds (i.e. for project proposals that have not yet been assessed and funded).
			WA is required to provide updates on the use of administration funding as part of quarterly performance reports.

In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, WA is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

Annexure 2E - South Australia

# Disaster Ready Fund Round Two – South Australia FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – ENVIRONMENT

Table 1: Form	alities and operation of schedule						
Parties	Commonwealth of Australia (Commonwealth) South Australia (SA)						
Duration	This Schedule will commence as soon as both Parties sign completion of all projects and performance milestones un accordance with timeframes outlined in the Program Guic Implementation Plan. The Agreement may be terminated as agreed in writing by the Parties.	der the Schedule, ir Ielines and					
Purpose	This Schedule will support the delivery of projects identified through Round Two of the Disaster Ready Fund (Program), which will help drive long term resilience and sustainability by delivering projects that mitigate the impact of disasters on communities, economies, and the environment. Funding provided under this Schedule will contribute to the delivery of the projects listed at <a href="Attachment A">Attachment A</a> , and support state and territory governments with Program administration as established at <a href="Attachment B">Attachment B</a> .						
Estimated financial							
contributions	SA will be responsible for arranging financial and/or in-kind contributions for projects to an estimated total value of \$27,367,749.00, and for Program administration to an estimated total value of \$303,639.59.						
	Funding category	AUD					
	Estimated* Commonwealth contribution for projects	\$20,242,639.00					
	Estimated* non-Commonwealth contributions for projects (1)	\$27,367,749.00					
	Estimated* Commonwealth contribution for Program administration (2)	\$303,639.58					
	Estimated* SA contribution for Program administration (3) \$303,639						
	Estimated* total budget (projects and Program \$48,217,667.16 administration)						
	(1) = value of all financial and in kind contributions to be provided by SA and third party project proponents.						
	(2) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, the Commonv Program administration is up to 1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth fund projects under Round Two.						

(3) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, SA is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

\*Amounts shown may not add to totals due to rounding.

# Additional terms

### Allocation of funds

(1) The Parties understand that this Schedule is made in good faith and there is an expectation that funding will be apportioned to projects as shown at **Attachment A**, and used for Program administration as shown at **Attachment B**.

### **Implementation Plans**

- (2) Implementation Plans for each project under the Schedule will be developed by SA and provided to the Commonwealth for endorsement as soon as possible, but no later than three months after the commencement of this Schedule unless otherwise agreed by the Commonwealth.
  - a. The requirements of the Implementation Plans are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
  - b. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.
  - c. Expenditure of Commonwealth funds awarded cannot be incurred until the Commonwealth has endorsed the Implementation Plan for that project, in writing.
  - d. With written approval from SA, project proponents can commence activities that use only a co-contribution referred to in <u>Attachment A</u> or do not incur expenditure, prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the Implementation Plan.
  - e. The Commonwealth will not be liable, and should not be held as being liable, for any activities undertaken before an Implementation Plan covering that project is endorsed.

### Performance monitoring and reporting

- (3) The Parties acknowledge that payments under these agreements would usually be tied to the performance milestones at Table 2 below. In lieu of milestone based payments under this agreement, SA commits to honouring the reporting obligations required by this Schedule.
- (4) The frequency and timing of reporting under this Schedule is set out at <u>Table 2: Performance requirements and payment summary</u>
- (5) The content requirements of reporting under this Schedule are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by

- the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
- (6) The Commonwealth may use the Program Reporting Material provided by SA as required under the Program Guidelines, including to inform the monitoring and evaluation of the Disaster Ready Fund.

### Third party project proponents

- (7) In line with the Program Guidelines, SA may engage third party project proponents to support the delivery of projects under this Schedule.
- (8) While third party project proponents are not signatories to this Schedule, SA is solely responsible for ensuring third party compliance with the *Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019*, the Disaster Ready Fund Program Guidelines for Round Two, and the terms and conditions of this Schedule.
- (9) Subject to clause 2.c SA can enter into negotiation of funding agreements with third party project proponents prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the relevant Implementation Plans.

### Repayment of amounts to the Commonwealth

- (10) If efficiencies or overspends are identified, funding may be reallocated to/from other projects under this Program in SA with the Commonwealth's approval, which will not be unreasonably withheld.
- (11) In accordance with subsection 21(4) of the *Disaster Ready Fund Act* 2019, the Commonwealth reserves the right to recover an amount provided under this Schedule, where:
  - a project cannot be delivered in line with the relevant Implementation Plan and the project cannot be appropriately scaled or varied,
  - b. the Commonwealth and SA cannot reach an agreement on how to reallocate the funds, or
  - c. the Commonwealth considers, in its absolute discretion, that another condition of this Schedule is not met.
- (12) The Commonwealth will determine on a reasonable basis whether an amount should be repaid, and if so, how much should be repaid, with regard to the circumstances of each matter.
- (13) The Commonwealth will not recover an amount provided under this Schedule where the funds have been expended by SA in good faith on project delivery in line with the relevant Implementation Plan.

### **Intellectual Property rights**

- (14)SA owns the Intellectual Property rights in the Activity Material of projects at Attachment A.
- (15)This Schedule does not affect ownership of any Intellectual Property rights in Existing Material.

- (16)To the extent that the Commonwealth needs to use any of the Activity Material, SA will agree to terms with the Commonwealth for access to required materials.
- (17) SA must ensure that any arrangement it enters into with a project proponent includes a licence of Intellectual Property rights to the Commonwealth in a form substantially the same as in clauses 14-16 above.
- (18)This Schedule is subject to the special conditions set out below. If there is any inconsistency between the provisions of this Schedule and the special conditions, the special conditions, to the extent of the inconsistency, prevail.
- (19)[SPECIAL CONDITIONS] The following projects are exempt from clauses 14-17.
  - a. DRF200498: Sugar Shack Awakening Peramangk cultural practices through Kiri (fire)
  - b. DRF200364: SA Council of Social Services People at Risk in Emergencies 2025-2027
  - c. DRF200482: Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia (IPWEA) - Climate Resilient Infrastructure (Best Practice Guidelines, Training

### Glossary

Activity	The project activity described in this Schedule, including the provision of the Reporting Material.
Activity Material	Any Material, other than Reporting Material, created or developed as a result of Program funding.
Existing Material	Means any Material that:
	(a) was in existence before the receipt of Program funding; or
	(b) is developed independently of Program funding
	and that is incorporated in, supplied with or as part of, or required to be supplied with or as part of, the Activity Material.
Intellectual Property (IP)	Means all copyright, patents, registered and unregistered trademarks (including service marks), registered designs, and other rights resulting from intellectual activity (other than moral rights under the Copyright Act 1968). IP covers the wide range of intangible property that is the result of the creative and intellectual effort of individuals and organisations. This includes but is not limited to

	inventions, computer programs, databases, data, broadcasts, trade marks and designs.
Project proponent	The entities responsible for delivering the project, including day to day project management. Also known as delivery partners or applicants.
Program/the Program	The Disaster Ready Fund
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project application and Implementation Plans.	Commonwealth endorsement of Implementation Plans, submitted by SA, encompassing all projects under the Schedule.	Implementation Plans submitted to the Commonwealth for endorsement within three months of the commencement of this Schedule. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.	N/A
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	Commonwealth acceptance of any ad hoc report/s requested.	As specified by the Commonwealth in respect of each request.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of any financial declarations requested.	As specified by the Commonwealth in respect of each request.	N/A

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Minister for Police, Emergency Services and Correctional Services Special Minister of State

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## Attachment A

## **Details of SA Funded Projects**

			Location (Local Government			Co-cont	tributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200482	Climate Resilient Infrastructure - Best Practice Guidelines, Training and Tools	Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia (IPWEA)	SA - All	The Climate Resilient Infrastructure project will deliver a nationally relevant, collaboratively developed, industry best practice guideline, online course and supporting resources that provide asset managers and engineers with the relevant knowledge, training and tools needed to reduce climate change risks to infrastructure including coastal assets. The project will enable the inclusion of climate change into long- term asset and financial management plans to ensure the continued provision of essential community services.	\$130,000.00	\$9,500.00	\$134,844.00	\$274,344.00	

			Location (Local Government			Co-cont	tributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200387	Dynamic Bushfire Fuel Mapping for South Australia: Realtime Assessments and Long- term Forecasts Under Future Climates	Department for Environment and Water	SA - All	This project will apply cutting-edge new analytical tools to produce real-time vegetation mapping products (at 30 metre resolution) along with information on their fuel types, fuel load and structural arrangement. This will be achieved by using onground vegetation and fuel measurements, environmental predictors and a constantly updated satellite imagery data cube. These tools will also be able to produce vegetation mapping products and associated fuel information under future climate scenarios.	\$2,250,500.00	\$2,286,151.00	\$0.00	\$4,536,651.00	

		t Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)			Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title			Description	Cth funding	From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200498	Awakening Peramangk cultural practices through Kiri (fire)	Sugar Shack Aboriginal Corporation	SA - Adelaide Hills, Alexandrina, Barossa, Mount Barker	This project aligns DRF and Second National Action Plan objectives and actions with community aspirations, connecting underrepresented First Nations Peoples with multiagency approaches to bushfire risk in the Adelaide Hills, South Australia. The project delivers strategic and practical support for Peramangk people to return to managing Country, by unlocking unique and pragmatic approaches to bushfire hazard reduction. Recognition of an inclusive, community-wide approach to bushfire readiness is central to this projects mandate.	\$2,399,633.00	\$0.00	\$324,187.00	\$2,723,820.00	

			Location (Local			Co-cont	tributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200429	Churchill Road Drainage Upgrade (Stage 1B) Project	City of Prospect	SA - Prospect	The project will construct a high-capacity trunk drain that will address deficiencies in the existing drainage system which serves over 80% of the City of Prospect area. It will prevent floodwaters from affecting key transport infrastructure, public and private property and unlock new property development opportunities. The project is the highest priority action identified in the approved Barker Inlet Central Stormwater Management Plan.	\$3,700,000.00	\$3,700,000.00	\$3,750,000.00	\$11,150,000.00	
DRFR200410	Regional adaptive planning – enabling a climate Resilient East	Resilient East (C/-City of Burnside)	SA - Adelaide, Burnside, Campbelltown (SA), Norwood Payneham and St Peters, Prospect, Tea Tree Gully, Unley, Walkerville	Regional adaptive planning enabling a climate Resilient East project will deliver an updated Resilient East Climate Action Plan (RECAP). Informed by almost a decade of learning since our 2016 plan, latest climate data and community knowledge, the renewed RECAP will build on strengths and focus on where our regional partnership of eight Councils	\$90,000.00	\$0.00	\$156,700.00	\$246,700.00	

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DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				and the state government can make the most impact in reducing climate risks together in eastern Adelaide.					
DRFR200417	Reintroductio n of Cultural Burning on Eyre Peninsula to Mitigate the Risk of Bushfire	South Australian Native Title Services	SA - Elliston, Lower Eyre Peninsula, Port Lincoln	An increase in the severity and intensity of bushfires has seen a growing interest to reintroduce cultural burning into landscape and fire management as a strategy to reduce the risk of bushfires. The project demonstrates cultural burning on Eyre Peninsula South Australia as a strategy to mitigate the risk of bushfires and facilitate the exchange of cross-cultural knowledge between Wirangu and Nauo Native Title groups, emergency services and relevant organisations.	\$66,919.00	\$0.00	\$104,400.00	\$171,319.00	

			Location (Local Government			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200519	Enhancing Youth Resilience: First Aid in Regional and Remote Schools	St John Ambulance Australia SA Ltd.	SA - Ceduna, Coober Pedy, Port Augusta, Whyalla, Unincorporated SA	The project will deliver the St John Ambulance South Australia First Aid in Schools program into Indigenous schools in regional and remote locations in South Australia. As a pilot project, this will teach first aid skills to primary school students and ascertain the relevance of the program in the disaster resilience context. The project will also develop new resources to ensure culturally appropriate delivery and messaging for Indigenous schools.	\$67,000.00	\$0.00	\$68,500.00	\$135,500.00	
DRFR200506	Mitigating Climate Change – Planning and Building Guidelines for a more resilient South Australia	Department of Trade and Investment	SA - All	Mitigating the impacts of bushfire and floods for a more resilient South Australia is a guideline intended to assist our communities to be able to understand how hazards impact them, how to mitigate against those impacts and how to build and rebuild post hazard in a sustainable manner.	\$220,000.00	\$254,500.00	\$0.00	\$474,500.00	

		ect Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)			Co-cont	ributions		
DRFR200008	Project title			Description	Cth funding	From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200008	Preparing Kangaroo Island: Implementati on Project - Phase 1	Kangaroo Island Council	SA - Kangaroo Island	Preparing KI Implementation Project – Phase 1 implements priority projects arising from Preparing KI Action Plan. It comprises a work program of priority actions to drive risk reduction across KI in a multi hazard and societal systems approach. The Action Plan delivered a prioritisation of risk reduction, mitigation, adaptation and resilience building actions, for Kangaroo Island Council (KIC), funded by the 'Preparing Australia's Communities' program.	\$440,000.00	\$0.00	\$446,675.00	\$886,675.00	

		Proposent	Location (Local Government  Area/s or state/ territory- wide)			Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title			Description	Cth funding	From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200364	People at Risk in Emergencies 2025-2027	South Australian Council of Social Service	SA - All	The People at Risk in Emergencies (PaRE) 2025- 2027 project involves collaboration between services that manage emergencies, communicate emergency information and provide day-to-day support to people at disproportionate risk of disaster impacts, to improve information sharing, communication, community education and capacity building to support people at risk to prepare. Undertake consultation, including people with lived experience, to develop the next state plan to improve outcomes for people at disproportionate risk.	\$765,000.00	\$0.00	\$765,000.00	\$1,530,000.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)			Co-cont	ributions		
title	Project title			Description	Cth funding	From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200487	Igniting Kaurna Cultural Understandin g For All at Field River	Foundation for National Parks & Wildlife	SA - Adelaide, Campbelltown (SA), Holdfast Bay, Marion, Mount Barker, Onkaparinga, Unincorporated SA	Support the Kaurna Firesticks Team to develop their knowledge, capacity and reach with traditional land management practice. Support the delivery of local community engagement to inform on the value of Kaurna traditional knowledge and practice utilising fire in the contemporary urban setting. Support developments with state and local government policy to reflect the operational practice of Traditional Owner land management utilising fire in the contemporary legal environment	\$4,070,028.00	\$7,837,661.00	\$1,361,981.00	\$13,269,67o.oo	

		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title					From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200510	Recovery Ready: Enhanced Recovery Information Project	Department of the Premier and Cabinet	SA - All	This project involves the development of practical resources and connected systems to enhance recovery capability and assist decision-makers in informed decision-making that supports community recovery efforts following natural disasters and emergencies. This will include a multijurisdictional, web-based intelligence platform designed to collect, store, analyse and visualise data related to disaster impacts, community needs, resources allocation and recovery progress.	\$285,601.00	\$288,482.00	\$0.00	\$574,083.00	

	Project title	Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description		Co-contributions			Funding
DRFID					Cth funding	From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200462	Trimmer Parade Stormwater Upgrade - Stage 1 Construction	City of Charles Sturt	SA - Charles Sturt	Trimmer Parade Stormwater Upgrade will deliver increased capacity of drains to mitigate flooding in the suburbs of Findon and Seaton. The desired flood mitigation works will be completed in multiple stages. Stage 1 works will include upgrading the capacity of trunk drains in a 600-metre section of Trimmer Parade between Greenview Drive and Frederick Road, Grange.	\$2,720,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,760,000.00	\$5,480,000.00	
DRFR200511	Understandin g and responding to flood risk together: awareness and preparedness across the Gawler River region	Department for Environment and Water	SA - Adelaide Hills, Adelaide Plains, Barossa, Gawler, Light, Playford	A community flood awareness and preparedness campaign program will be developed for the Gawler River region as a viable flood risk mitigation initiative. Designed to build flood resilient communities by raising awareness of flood risks, this program will collaborate with local Councils, SASES and the community to develop tools to increase awareness of flood hazards and share	\$258,005.00	\$258,836.00	\$0.00	\$516,841.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description		Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title				Cth funding	From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				recommendations for individuals, households, businesses, and industry to increase readiness for flood events.					
DRFR200397	Creating a Social Capital and Social Infrastructure Measurement Framework to benefit every Australian	Resilient Ready	ACT - Unincorporated ACT;NSW - All;NT - All;QLD - All;SA - All;TAS - All;VIC - All;WA - All	The Creating a Social Capital and Social Infrastructure Measurement Framework to benefit every Australian project will expand on the snapshot project currently being delivered in South Australia. It will include input from all Australian states and territories to create a national definition and measurement criteria about people connections and places where people connect; and pilot Professor Daniel Aldrich's social capital and social infrastructure heat mapping data sets in South Australia	\$967,249.00	\$21,912.00	\$958,350.00	\$1,947,511.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title					From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200496	High priority designs for watercourse upgrades along Upper Brown Hill Creek	Brown Hill Keswick Creek Stormwater Project	SA - Adelaide, Burnside, Mitcham, Unley, West Torrens	The Brown Hill Keswick Creek Catchment Stormwater Management Plan highlights the devastating impact that a major flood event will have on metropolitan Adelaide. The Stormwater Management Plan (SMP) outlines flood mitigation works that will protect the community, 4000 properties, businesses and critical infrastructure from the effects of flooding. This project will develop detailed designs for Upper Brown Hill Creek so that the watercourse upgrades are shovel ready.	\$424,204.00	\$0.00	\$454,204.00	\$878,408.00	

			Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description		Co-cont	tributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent			Cth funding	From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200500	A whole-of- catchment flood model for the Brown Hill Keswick Creek catchment	Brown Hill Keswick Creek Stormwater Project	SA - Adelaide, Burnside, Mitcham, Unley, West Torrens	Comprehensive flood modelling will occur for the entire Brown Hill Keswick Creek (BHKC) catchment including flood risks from the watercourse and stormwater drainage systems. The whole-of-catchment flood model will be compiled using existing data sourced from the BHKC Stormwater Board and affiliated councils and will provide a holistic understanding of flood risk. This project delivers on all objectives/investment principles of the DRF and NEMA Second National Action Plan activities.	\$150,000.00	\$0.00	\$178,000.00	\$328,000.00	
DRFR200484	Improving Council's Preparedness and Communicati ons during emergency events	Naracoorte Lucindale Council	SA - Kingston (SA), Naracoorte Lucindale, Tatiara, Wattle Range	This project will improve Council preparedness for storm/flooding events through the supply of rapid response flood saxs and a dual sandbag filler and Council's fleet safety through vehicle signal boosters to improve communications during all emergency events. Adding	\$38,500.00	\$0.00	\$47,866.00	\$86,366.00	

		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description		Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title				Cth funding	From SA government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				to this will be the provision of a backup generator to provide a dedicated incident control room for Council's support operations of the emergency services and our community during disaster events.					
DRFR200415	Repair and Adapt Sea Wall to Rising Sea levels, Preventing Erosion and Enhance Public Safety	City of Onkaparinga	SA - Onkaparinga	This project will repair a 380-metre section of sea wall, located on the northern side of Witton Bluff, adjacent to the Esplanade south of Beach Road, Christies Beach. Construction works will involve repairing the ageing seawall and upgrading the structure to withstand current sea level rise coastal impacts. Without protection at the base of the cliffs, wave erosion threatens the structural integrity of the cliffs.	\$1,200,000.00	\$600,000.00	\$600,000.00	\$2,400,000.00	

## Attachment B

## **Details of SA Program administration funding**

Description (how SA intends to use administration funding awarded)	Cth funding (1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to SA for projects under Round Two, or a minimum of \$112,500).	Co-contribution (from jurisdiction)	Funding conditions
	\$303,639.5 <b>8</b>	\$303,639.5 <b>8</b>	Administrative funding can be used by SA for costs that directly relates to administering Program rounds for which Commonwealth funding has been delivered. These funds cannot be used for the administration of specific projects (i.e. where SA is the project proponent). These funds cannot be used for costs directly related to the preparation or facilitation of DRF applications for future rounds (i.e. for project proposals that have not yet been assessed and funded).  SA is required to provide updates on the use of administration funding as part of quarterly performance reports.

In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, SA is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

Annexure 2F - Tasmania

# Disaster Ready Fund Round Two — Tasmania FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT — ENVIRONMENT

Table 1: Form	alities and operation of schedule						
Parties	Commonwealth of Australia (Commonwealth) Tasmania (TAS)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
Duration	This Schedule will commence as soon as both Parties sign it and will expire on completion of all projects and performance milestones under the Schedule, in accordance with timeframes outlined in the Program Guidelines and Implementation Plan. The Agreement may be terminated earlier or extended as agreed in writing by the Parties.						
Purpose	Two of the Disaster Ready Fund (Program), which will he resilience and sustainability by delivering projects that m disasters on communities, economies, and the environm provided under this Schedule will contribute to the deliveristed at Attachment A, and support state and territory of	This Schedule will support the delivery of projects identified through Round Two of the Disaster Ready Fund (Program), which will help drive long term resilience and sustainability by delivering projects that mitigate the impact of disasters on communities, economies, and the environment. Funding provided under this Schedule will contribute to the delivery of the projects listed at <a href="Attachment A">Attachment A</a> , and support state and territory governments with Program administration as established at <a href="Attachment B">Attachment B</a> .					
Estimated financial	The Commonwealth will provide to TAS an estimated total financial contribution of \$7,689,798.33 (GST exclusive) in respect of this Schedule.						
contributions	TAS will be responsible for arranging financial and/or in-kind contributions for projects to an estimated total value of \$7,975,048.00, and for Program administration to an estimated total value of \$113,642.33.						
	Funding category AUD						
	Estimated* Commonwealth contribution for projects	\$7,576,156.00					
	Estimated* non-Commonwealth contributions for projects (1)	\$7,975,048.00					
	Estimated* Commonwealth contribution for Program administration (2)	\$113,642.33					
	Estimated* TAS contribution for Program administration (3)	\$113,642.33					
	Estimated* total budget (projects and Program \$15,778,488.66 administration)						
	(1) = value of all financial and in kind contributions to be provided by TAS and third party project proponents.						
	(2) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, the Commonwealth contribution for Program administration is up to 1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to TAS for projects under Round Two.						

(3) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, TAS is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

\*Amounts shown may not add to totals due to rounding.

# Additional terms

### Allocation of funds

(1) The Parties understand that this Schedule is made in good faith and there is an expectation that funding will be apportioned to projects as shown at **Attachment A**, and used for Program administration as shown at **Attachment B**.

### **Implementation Plans**

- (2) Implementation Plans for each project under the Schedule will be developed by TAS and provided to the Commonwealth for endorsement as soon as possible, but no later than three months after the commencement of this Schedule unless otherwise agreed by the Commonwealth.
  - a. The requirements of the Implementation Plans are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
  - b. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.
  - c. Expenditure of Commonwealth funds awarded cannot be incurred until the Commonwealth has endorsed the Implementation Plan for that project, in writing.
  - d. With written approval from TAS, project proponents can commence activities that use only a co-contribution referred to in <u>Attachment A</u> or do not incur expenditure, prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the Implementation Plan.
  - e. The Commonwealth will not be liable, and should not be held as being liable, for any activities undertaken before an Implementation Plan covering that project is endorsed.

### Performance monitoring and reporting

- (3) The Parties acknowledge that payments under these agreements would usually be tied to the performance milestones at Table 2 below. In lieu of milestone based payments under this agreement, TAS commits to honouring the reporting obligations required by this Schedule.
- (4) The frequency and timing of reporting under this Schedule is set out at <u>Table 2: Performance requirements and payment summary</u>
- (5) The content requirements of reporting under this Schedule are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by

- the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
- (6) The Commonwealth may use the Program Reporting Material provided by TAS as required under the Program Guidelines, including to inform the monitoring and evaluation of the Disaster Ready Fund.

### Third party project proponents

- (7) In line with the Program Guidelines, TAS may engage third party project proponents to support the delivery of projects under this Schedule.
- (8) While third party project proponents are not signatories to this Schedule, TAS is solely responsible for ensuring third party compliance with the *Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019*, the Disaster Ready Fund Program Guidelines for Round Two, and the terms and conditions of this Schedule.
- (9) Subject to clause 2.c TAS can enter into negotiation of funding agreements with third party project proponents prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the relevant Implementation Plans.

### Repayment of amounts to the Commonwealth

- (10) If efficiencies or overspends are identified, funding may be reallocated to/from other projects under this Program in TAS with the Commonwealth's approval, which will not be unreasonably withheld.
- (11) In accordance with subsection 21(4) of the *Disaster Ready Fund Act* 2019, the Commonwealth reserves the right to recover an amount provided under this Schedule, where:
  - a project cannot be delivered in line with the relevant Implementation Plan and the project cannot be appropriately scaled or varied,
  - b. the Commonwealth and TAS cannot reach an agreement on how to reallocate the funds, or
  - c. the Commonwealth considers, in its absolute discretion, that another condition of this Schedule is not met.
- (12) The Commonwealth will determine on a reasonable basis whether an amount should be repaid, and if so, how much should be repaid, with regard to the circumstances of each matter.
- (13) The Commonwealth will not recover an amount provided under this Schedule where the funds have been expended by TAS in good faith on project delivery in line with the relevant Implementation Plan.

### Intellectual Property rights

- (14)TAS owns the Intellectual Property rights in the Activity Material of projects at Attachment A.
- (15) This Schedule does not affect ownership of any Intellectual Property rights in Existing Material.

- (16)To the extent that the Commonwealth needs to use any of the Activity Material, TAS will agree to terms with the Commonwealth for access to required materials.
- (17) TAS must ensure that any arrangement it enters into with a project proponent includes a licence of Intellectual Property rights to the Commonwealth in a form substantially the same as in clauses 14-16 above.
- (18)This Schedule is subject to the special conditions set out below. If there is any inconsistency between the provisions of this Schedule and the special conditions, the special conditions, to the extent of the inconsistency, prevail.
- (19)[SPECIAL CONDITIONS]

### Glossary

Activity	The project activity described in this Schedule, including the provision of the Reporting Material.
Activity Material	Any Material, other than Reporting Material, created or developed as a result of Program funding.
Existing Material	Means any Material that:
	(a) was in existence before the receipt of Program funding; or
	(b) is developed independently of Program funding
	and that is incorporated in, supplied with or as part of, or required to be supplied with or as part of, the Activity Material.
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Minister for Emergency Management

Minister for Cities

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Signed for and on behalf of TAS by

The Hon Jeremy Rockliff MP

Premier of Tasmania Minister for Tourism

Minister for Trade and Major Investment

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## Attachment A

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DRFID	Project title					From TAS government sources	From non- government project proponents		Funding conditions
DRFR200414	Remote Area Early Fire Detection Camera Network	Tasmania Parks and Wildlife Service	TAS - Central Highlands (Tas.), Derwent Valley, Huon Valley, Meander Valley, West Coast	This project enables the production of an additional five mobile fire detection cameras (known as RECCE). Remote Engineered Camera Communications Evolution (RECCE) assist in rapid identification of ignitions, resulting in quicker response times, which ultimately reduces impacts of bushfire on natural and cultural values, and built assets, within the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area (TWWHA). RECCEs are also a key tool in reducing WHS risk to staff deployments.	\$339,700.00	\$363,013.00	\$0.00	\$702,713.00	

DRFID		Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
	Project title					From TAS government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200184	Clyde River Flood Resilience Project	The Central Highlands Council	TAS - Central Highlands (Tas.)	The Clyde River is a major waterway in the Central Highlands of Tasmania that is subject to periodic flood events which have had significant impacts on regional communities. This project will implement practical, tested solutions over a three year timeframe to remove 20 kilometres of willows at key locations, upgrade infrastructure, mitigate erosion and undertake strategic revegetation to reduce future flood risk on the Clyde River and improve community preparedness.	\$1,976,100.00	\$0.00	\$2,105,989.00	\$4,082,089.00	
DRFR200157	Derwent Valley Community Resilience and Preparedness Project	Derwent Valley Council	TAS - Derwent Valley	The project builds the capacity and resilience of rural communities in the Derwent Valley to be prepared, to be able to effectively respond during emergencies and to remain safe. A key goal is to improve the ability of people living with disability, older people and isolated/vulnerable community members to	\$25,023.00	\$0.00	\$29,448.00	\$54,471.00	

DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
						From TAS government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				remain safe through the provision of personal emergency plans and to improve evacuation response capacity for Derwent Valley and neighbouring Councils.					
DRFR200166	EmergencyRe di Workshops	Australian Red Cross	TAS - All	EmergencyRedi workshops support people to understand local risks, prepare for emergencies, and build individual and household plans (RediPlans). This project will deliver ~300 EmergencyRedi workshops across Tasmania. Workshops are adaptable to local contexts and tailored to suit different audiences. Outcomes include greater understanding of impacts of disasters, enhanced knowledge, connection, security, and wellbeing. Workshops foster informed decision-making, information sharing, increased preparedness, increased sense of agency and efficacy.	\$564,747.00	\$0.00	\$564,747.00	\$1,129,494.00	

DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
						From TAS government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200182	Increasing the accessibility of emergency preparedness information for the Tasmanian community	Tasmania Fire Service	TAS - All	This project will produce accessible basic bushfire safety information in plain English and community languages. Tasmania Fire Service has a huge amount of scientific, technical and practical bushfire information. These resources will be categorised and redeveloped based on their purpose and audience, to make them accessible to the people who use them. Plain English resources about bushfire safety and flood safety will be translated into community languages.	\$140,440.00	\$143,598.00	\$0.00	\$284,038.00	

DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
						From TAS government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200173	Identifying, understandin g, and addressing Tasmania's active landslides and other ground- movement hazards	Mineral Resources Tasmania	TAS - All	This project identifies and communicates the locations, extents, behaviour, likelihood, and drivers of landslides and other ground movements (sinkholes, settlement, uplift) that can threaten lives and infrastructure across Tasmania's urban and rural landscapes. Its outputs will create and improve publicfacing maps, overlays, and publications that enable better site-management, land-use, infrastructure-routing, and governance decisions. These outcomes will together enhance geohazard risk reduction for individuals, communities, utilities, and Local and State governments.	\$620,600.00	\$452,000.00	\$181,000.00	\$1,253,600.00	

	Project title	Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID						From TAS government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200160	Tasmanian Bushfire Exposure project	Tasmania Fire Service	TAS - All	The Tasmanian Bushfire Exposure project will deliver the authoritative bushfire exposure model for Tasmania. Leveraging new technology, including Spark fire simulator and high- resolution vegetation, terrain and weather data, this capability will provide accurate spatial-temporal assessment of bushfire exposure state-wide. Outputting daily, monthly, and annual products tailored to end-user requirements, the system will inform land use planning, mitigation programs, prevention strategies, community education and preparedness, and strategic and operational emergency planning.	\$401,000.00	\$401,000.00	\$0.00	\$802,000.00	

			Location			Co-con	tributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	(Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From TAS government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200172	RAW Conversations : Building communities' disaster response capacity	Rural Alive and Well (RAW)	TAS - All	RAW Conversations' is designed by Rural Alive and Well to facilitate resilience-building by meeting people where they are at. This program is uniquely delivered by engaging people in their workplaces, reducing out-of-hours overwhelm. Three specialist -facilitated sessions will equip participants to navigate challenging times and enhance well-being. These kitchen-table-style sessions will build skills to respond to fight or flight situations, increase social resilience and empower individuals with disaster response capacity.	\$100,000.00	\$0.00	\$133,291.00	\$233,291.00	

			Location			Co-con	tributions	Total project	
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	(Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From TAS government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200194	A decision support tool to prioritise resilience planning for assets at risk from coastal hazards	Kingborough Council	TAS - Kingborough	This project will produce a spatial decision support tool to identify and prioritise assets at risk from coastal hazards including roads, stormwater infrastructure and public buildings. It will allow local government to evaluate asset value (including financial, social value etc.) against the exposure to coastal hazard impacts to identify those community assets most at risk. It will facilitate proactive long-term financial planning and adaptive management for coastal assets.	\$25,000.00	\$0.00	\$37,800.00	\$62,800.00	

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DRFID	Project title	Proponent	(Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)		Cth funding	From TAS government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200176	Mental Health and Wellbeing Training for Staff involved in Emergency Response and Recovery	Department of Health	TAS - All	This DoH project will design and deliver Mental Health and Wellbeing training both for Tasmanian State Servants & local government staff interacting with impacted community members following an emergency. This includes staff from DOH, DPAC (Resilience and Recovery Tasmania) and other agencies (eg: staff that may attend evacuation centres, be involved in recovery operations or staff call centres). It would also be offered to local government staff.	\$334,000.00	\$334,182.00	\$0.00	\$668,182.00	

DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-con From TAS government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200193	Implementati on of SES Tasmania Storm Warning System	Department of Police, Fire & Emergency Management	TAS - All	To implement a three-tiered Storm Warning System, aligning with the nationally consistent Australian Warning System (AWS). Provision of emergency warnings and related information is integral to state emergency management arrangements. Warnings assist the community to make informed choices to safeguard life, property, and the environment. Warnings must provide information on likely storm impacts and include 'call-to-action' advice designed to inform and assist communities to make safe and prepared decisions.	\$53,000.00	\$125,050.00	\$0.00	\$178,050.00	

			Location (Local			Co-con	tributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent		Description	Cth funding	From TAS government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200187	Power for Water	TasWater	TAS - All	Resilient power for Tasmania's vulnerable water infrastructure. Bushfires, storms and floods regularly disrupt the power supply to water treatment plants and pump stations. This project aims to eliminate the domino effect of power disruptions also becoming water disruptions. Upgrades to switchboards will allow infrastructure to operate from generators, including Biofuel generators, battery storage, and green generation; solar, wind and micro-hydro.	\$2,210,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,210,000.00	\$4,420,000.00	
DRFR200196	Building Retrofit Guide for Bushfire	Tasmania Fire Service	TAS - All	This project will develop a 'Building Retrofit guide for bushfire" for the Tasmanian Community which will provide practical advice to those who wish to upgrade their existing homes to be better protected from bushfires. The intent of the Tasmanian guide is to improve the performance of homes when subjected to bushfire attack.	\$75,000.00	\$75,000.00	\$0.00	\$150,000.00	

			Location (Local			Co-con	tributions		
DRFID	DRFID Project title Proponent Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From TAS government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions		
DRFR200167	Language Identification and Communicati on Project (LICP) - formerly LIPS	The Association for the Identification of Spoken Language	TAS - All	The project has developed an app (tablet installed) which enables disparate language speakers to communicate with each other in real time. The second-stage development of the app will provide: (1) capability to identify 30 languages (Attachment-3); (2) Emergency Services app operator with the means of communicating, via a preinstalled communication module unique to a specific disaster; (3) a module(s) to be developed for use in evacuation centres. Refer Attachment-1.	\$253,937.00	\$0.00	\$337,220.00	\$591,157.00	
DRFR200174	Support Council to purchase a portable Chipstar Negri R640 chipper/shred der for bushfire mitigation	Dolphin Sands Community Association	TAS - Glamorgan- Spring Bay	This project will help mitigate the risk of bushfire in an extremely bushfire-prone area on the east coast of lutruwita/Tasmania by reducing the fuel load on public and private land. An industrial scale chipper/shredder will be purchased by Council to provide an alternative to burning green waste.	\$125,000.00	\$0.00	\$125,000.00	\$250,000.00	

	Location (Local				Co-con	tributions	Total project	For Page	
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From TAS government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
				Areas targeted for strategic clearing include roadside verges and the defendable zone around dwellings and alongside driveways.					
DRFR200178	Hub for Ecosystem Resilience and Restoration (HERR) - Future Seeds Program	TasTAFE	TAS - All	TasTAFE's Hub for Ecosystem Resilience and Recovery (HERR) will coordinate fragmented community and industry efforts in developing and delivering training pertinent to ecosystem resilience and restoration. The Future Seeds Program at HERR will focus on collecting 1,000,000 seeds of landscape revegetation species by 2027, enabling rapid ecological responses to disasters. By 2027, HERR will understand the risks posed by climate change on pollination climate mismatches, producing preventative analytic digital tools.	\$117,609.00	\$80,000.00	\$38,710.00	\$236,319.00	

			Location			Co-con	tributions		
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	(Local Government Area/s or state/ territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	From TAS government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200161	Jacques Creek flood and Erosion Mitigation at Redlands Drive	Glenorchy City Council	TAS - Glenorchy	Seeking funding for a crucial project in Rosetta, proposing a sediment and debris basin at Redlands Drive summit. Situated between Jacques Creek rural catchment and the urban underground network, this initiative addresses floodrelated blockages causing harm downstream. By managing sediment and debris flow during floods, it enhances resilience, safeguarding both rural and urban areas. Your support is vital to shield the community, minimize risks, and ensure residents' safety and well-being.	\$215,000.00	\$0.00	\$238,000.00	\$453,000.00	

## Attachment B

## **Details of TAS Program administration funding**

\$113,642.33  \$113,642.33  Administrative funding can be used by TAS for costs that directly relates to administering Program rounds for which Commonwealth funding has been delivered. These funds cannot be used for the administration of specific projects (i.e. where TAS is the project proponent). These funds cannot be used for costs directly related to the preparation or facilitation of DRF applications for future rounds (i.e. for project proposals that have not yet been assessed and funded).  TAS is required to provide updates on the use of administration funding as part of quarterly performance reports.	Description (how TAS intends to use administration funding awarded)	Cth funding (1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to TAS for projects under Round Two, or a minimum of \$112,500).	Co-contribution (from jurisdiction)	Funding conditions
		\$113,642.33	\$113,642.33	by TAS for costs that directly relates to administering Program rounds for which Commonwealth funding has been delivered. These funds cannot be used for the administration of specific projects (i.e. where TAS is the project proponent). These funds cannot be used for costs directly related to the preparation or facilitation of DRF applications for future rounds (i.e. for project proposals that have not yet been assessed and funded).  TAS is required to provide updates on the use of administration funding as part of quarterly performance

In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, TAS is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

Annexure 2G - Australian Capital Territory

# Disaster Ready Fund Round Two – Australian Capital Territory

## FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT - ENVIRONMENT

Parties	Commonwealth of Australia (Commonwealth)					
	Australian Capital Territory (ACT)					
Duration	This Schedule will commence as soon as both Parties sign it and will expire on completion of all projects and performance milestones under the Schedule, in accordance with timeframes outlined in the Program Guidelines and Implementation Plan. The Agreement may be terminated earlier or extended as agreed in writing by the Parties.					
Purpose	This Schedule will support the delivery of projects identified through Round Two of the Disaster Ready Fund (Program), which will help drive long term resilience and sustainability by delivering projects that mitigate the impact of disasters on communities, economies, and the environment. Funding provided under this Schedule will contribute to the delivery of the projects listed at <u>Attachment A</u> , and support state and territory governments with Program administration as established at <u>Attachment B</u> .					
	The Commonwealth will provide to ACT an estimated total financial contribution of \$7,614,833.45 (GST exclusive) in respect of this Schedule.  ACT will be responsible for arranging financial and/or in-kind contributions for projects to an estimated total value of \$9,953,602 and for Program administration to an estimated total value of \$112,534.48.					
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- (2) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, the Commonwealth contribution for Program administration is up to 1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to ACT for projects under Round Two.
- (3) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, ACT is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).
- \*Amounts shown may not add to totals due to rounding.

## Additional terms

#### Allocation of funds

(1) The Parties understand that this Schedule is made in good faith and there is an expectation that funding will be apportioned to projects as shown at **Attachment A**, and used for Program administration as shown at **Attachment B**.

## **Implementation Plans**

- (2) Implementation Plans for each project under the Schedule will be developed by ACT and provided to the Commonwealth for endorsement as soon as possible, but no later than three months after the commencement of this Schedule unless otherwise agreed by the Commonwealth.
  - a. The requirements of the Implementation Plans are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
  - b. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.
  - c. Expenditure of Commonwealth funds awarded cannot be incurred until the Commonwealth has endorsed the Implementation Plan for that project, in writing.
  - d. With written approval from ACT, project proponents can commence activities that use only a co-contribution referred to in **Attachment A** or do not incur expenditure, prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the Implementation Plan.
  - e. The Commonwealth will not be liable, and should not be held as being liable, for any activities undertaken before an Implementation Plan covering that project is endorsed.

### Performance monitoring and reporting

- (3) The Parties acknowledge that payments under these agreements would usually be tied to the performance milestones at Table 2 below. In lieu of milestone based payments under this agreement, ACT commits to honouring the reporting obligations required by this Schedule.
- (4) The frequency and timing of reporting under this Schedule is set out at <u>Table 2: Performance requirements and payment summary</u>
- (5) The content requirements of reporting under this Schedule are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by

- the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
- (6) The Commonwealth may use the Program Reporting Material provided by ACT as required under the Program Guidelines, including to inform the monitoring and evaluation of the Disaster Ready Fund.

#### Third party project proponents

- (7) In line with the Program Guidelines, ACT may engage third party project proponents to support the delivery of projects under this Schedule.
- (8) While third party project proponents are not signatories to this Schedule, ACT is solely responsible for ensuring third party compliance with the *Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019*, the Disaster Ready Fund Program Guidelines for Round Two, and the terms and conditions of this Schedule.
- (9) Subject to clause 2.c ACT can enter into negotiation of funding agreements with third party project proponents prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the relevant Implementation Plans.

#### Repayment of amounts to the Commonwealth

- (10) If efficiencies or overspends are identified, funding may be reallocated to/from other projects under this Program in ACT with the Commonwealth's approval, which will not be unreasonably withheld.
- (11) In accordance with subsection 21(4) of the *Disaster Ready Fund Act* 2019, the Commonwealth reserves the right to recover an amount provided under this Schedule, where:
  - a. a project cannot be delivered in line with the relevant Implementation Plan and the project cannot be appropriately scaled or varied,
  - b. the Commonwealth and ACT cannot reach an agreement on how to reallocate the funds, or
  - c. the Commonwealth considers, in its absolute discretion, that another condition of this Schedule is not met.
- (12) The Commonwealth will determine on a reasonable basis whether an amount should be repaid, and if so, how much should be repaid, with regard to the circumstances of each matter.
- (13) The Commonwealth will not recover an amount provided under this Schedule where the funds have been expended by ACT in good faith on project delivery in line with the relevant Implementation Plan.

#### Intellectual Property rights

- (14)ACT owns the Intellectual Property rights in the Activity Material of projects at Attachment A.
- (15) This Schedule does not affect ownership of any Intellectual Property rights in Existing Material.

- (16)To the extent that the Commonwealth needs to use any of the Activity Material, ACT will agree to terms with the Commonwealth for access to required materials.
- (17) ACT must ensure that any arrangement it enters into with a project proponent includes a licence of Intellectual Property rights to the Commonwealth in a form substantially the same as in clauses 14-16 above.
- (18)This Schedule is subject to the special conditions set out below. If there is any inconsistency between the provisions of this Schedule and the special conditions, the special conditions, to the extent of the inconsistency, prevail.
- (19)[SPECIAL CONDITIONS]

#### Glossary

Activity	The project activity described in this Schedule, including the provision of the Reporting Material.
Activity Material	Any Material, other than Reporting Material, created or developed as a result of Program funding.
Existing Material	Means any Material that:
	(a) was in existence before the receipt of Program funding; or
	(b) is developed independently of Program funding
	and that is incorporated in, supplied with or as part of, or required to be supplied with or as part of, the Activity Material.
Intellectual Property (IP)	Means all copyright, patents, registered and unregistered trademarks (including service marks), registered designs, and other rights resulting from intellectual activity (other than moral rights under the Copyright Act 1968). IP covers the wide range of intangible property that is the result of the creative and intellectual effort of individuals and organisations. This includes but is not limited to inventions, computer programs, databases, data, broadcasts, trade marks and designs.
Project proponent	The entities responsible for delivering the project, including day to day project management. Also known as delivery partners or applicants.
Program/the Program	The Disaster Ready Fund

Reporting Material	Means all implementation plans, performance, final, and ad hoc reports which ACT is required to provide to the Commonwealth for the purposes of keeping the Commonwealth up-to-date with the performance of the Activity, as specified in this
	schedule.

Table 2: Performar	ice requirements and payment summary		
Output/s	Performance milestones	Due Date	Payment
As detailed in each	ACT enters into a funding agreement with the Commonwealth.	Upon signing of this Schedule by both Parties.	\$7,614,833.45
project application and Implementation Plans.	Commonwealth endorsement of Implementation Plans, submitted by ACT, encompassing all projects under the Schedule.	Implementation Plans submitted to the Commonwealth for endorsement within three months of the commencement of this Schedule. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of Performance Reports, submitted by ACT, encompassing all projects under the Schedule, and updates on the use of administration funding.	Performance Reports submitted to the Commonwealth quarterly, in line with due dates advised by the Commonwealth, until the completion of all projects under the Schedule.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of Final Reports, submitted by ACT, encompassing all completed projects under the Schedule.	Final Reports submitted to the Commonwealth no later than six months from the end of the quarterly Performance Report period that the related projects completed in.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of an Audit Report, submitted by ACT, encompassing all Material Projects under the Schedule.	Audit Report submitted to the Commonwealth no later than nine months from the end of the financial year in which the final project under the Schedule is completed.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of any ad hoc report/s requested.	As specified by the Commonwealth in respect of each request.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of any financial declarations requested.	As specified by the Commonwealth in respect of each request.	N/A

<sup>\*</sup> For the purposes of this Schedule, the following terms have the meanings set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program: Implementation Plan, Performance Reports; Final Report; Audit Report; Material Projects; Ad Hoc Report; Financial Declaration.

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this Schedule as follows:

**Signed** for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by

Senator the Hon Jenny McAllister

Minister for Emergency Management

Minister for Cities

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Signed for and on behalf of ACT by

Dr Marisa Paterson MLA

 ${\bf Minister} \ {\bf for} \ {\bf Police}, \ {\bf Fire} \ {\bf and} \ {\bf Emergency} \ {\bf Services}$ 

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Minister for Gaming Reform

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## Attachment A

## **Details of ACT Funded Projects**

			Location (Local Government			Co-conti	ibutions	Total	
DRFID	Project title Proponent Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Area/s or state/ territory-	Description	Cth funding	From ACT government sources	From non- government project proponents	project cost	Funding conditions	
DRFR200494	Strengthening ACT social recovery partnerships and community engagement	Community Services Directorate	ACT - Unincorporated ACT	This project will strengthen the preparedness, planning, coordination and response capacity of the Australian Capital Territory (ACT) government and our social recovery community partners. This will ensure ACT social recovery efforts contribute to a stronger more resilient Canberra community and support people throughout their recovery journey from immediate relief to long term recovery to regain a sense of sustained wellbeing and the ability to thrive.	\$612,245.00	\$612,245.00	\$0.00	\$1,224,490.00	

DRFR200425	Supporting ACT Community Sector Organisations in Preparing for the Impacts of Climate Change	EPSDD	ACT - Unincorporated ACT	This project will build the adaptive capacity of community sector organisations (CSOs) to manage and respond to the increasing risk from natural hazards under a changing climate. It will deliver a fit-for-purpose climate hazard risk management and adaptation 'toolkit', developed through a codesign process and trialled with the sector, which will guide CSOs in identifying key risks to their services and support development of	\$621,182.00	\$706,805.00	\$27,000.00	\$1,354,987.00	
				effective risk management					
				and adaptation plans.					
DRFR200421	'Climate ready' natural hazards future proofing through the ACT's planning system	EPSDD	ACT - Unincorporated ACT	Many natural hazards are expected to increase in frequency and/or intensity due to climate change. This project will seek to future proof communities by analysing and adapting the ACT's planning system to make sure that it appropriately manages disaster risk arising from natural hazards. This will include the core elements of strategic planning including land use planning and infrastructure planning. Hazards included will be bushfire, flood, storms and urban heat/heatwave.	\$120,000.00	\$136,356.00	\$0.00	\$256,356.00	

DRFR200430	Increasing vulnerable households' resilience to heatwaves through installation of thermally backed curtains	EPSDD	ACT - Unincorporated ACT	The project will leverage an existing program to expand the delivery of thermally backed curtains and pelmets (in two living areas) to an additional 500 low-income and vulnerable households in the ACT over two-years. The project will increase the resilience of participating households to heatwaves and extreme heat/cold by improving thermal comfort,	\$560,000.00	\$599,455.00	\$0.00	\$1,159,455.00	
DRFR200501	Territory Wide Risk Reduction Implementation	Security and Emergency Management Division	ACT - Unincorporated ACT	reducing energy use and costs, and supporting improved health and wellbeing.  A Territory-Wide Risk Register (TWRR) allows us to learn from past emergencies and crises, plan for future disruptions, and identify opportunities to enhance community resilience. The proposed project will allow the ACT to implement, monitor, review and enhance the TWRR to	\$858,178.00	\$859,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,717,178.00	
				provide the foundation for understanding disaster risks, monitoring effectiveness of existing risk management, and identify opportunities to improve risk treatment, reduction, recovery and build whole-of-government capability.					

DRFR200352	EmergencyRedi for the ACT's CALD communities	Australian Red Cross	ACT - Unincorporated ACT	This project will deliver EmergencyRedi workshops and one-on-one sessions throughout the ACT, focusing on the needs of people from culturally and linguistically diverse	\$937,414.00	\$0.00	\$937,414.00	\$1,874,828.00	
				backgrounds. Participants will learn practical actions they can take to minimise disaster risk and impacts. They will understand disaster risk in the ACT and develop plans to mitigate that risk. This will lead to more informed decisionmaking and increased levels					
				of physical and emotional					
DRFR200449	Improved flood resilience for Canberra Avenue and nearby community assets	Office of Water	ACT - Unincorporated ACT	preparedness.  This project will reduce climate-related flood risks to an arterial road and a constructed wetland by  1) modelling the effects of climate change on flooding in Jerrabomberra Creek.  2) increasing the flow capacity of the creek threatening the arterial road.  3) placing a serviceable sediment trap within the creek to increase flood resilience.  4) raising the levee between the creek and a recently constructed water quality wetland to resist flooding.	\$615,000.00	\$997,542.00	\$0.00	\$1,612,542.00	

DRFR200488	Community Education Tools and Benchmarking	ACT Rural Fire Service	ACT - Unincorporated ACT	This project aims to strengthen community resilience by utilising interactive teaching tools and gaining insights into the disaster preparedness of the ACT community. Through diverse activities like Simtable and Virtual Reality tools, the project seeks to engage residents actively. Additionally, funding will support a consulting initiative to explore deeper into the community's dynamics and their relationship with disaster resilience.	\$290,000.00	\$290,000.00	\$0.00	\$580,000.00	
DRFR200491	Improving the Resilience of ACT's Urban Forest	Transport Canberra and City Services – Urban Treescapes	ACT - Unincorporated ACT	This project aims to strengthen Canberra's urban forest to enhance the ACT's liveability and resilience to the impacts of climate change related natural hazards. This project will implement a proactive maintenance program to increase public tree resilience to storm events, reduce the risk of tree hazards caused by storms, and extend the life of trees in the urban environment to help combat urban heat.	\$2,888,279.97	\$4,787,785.00	\$0.00	\$7,676,064.97	

## Attachment B

## **Details of ACT Program administration funding**

Description (how ACT intends to use administration funding awarded)	Cth funding (1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to ACT for projects under Round Two, or a minimum of \$112,500).	Co-contribution (from jurisdiction)	Funding conditions
	\$112,534.48	\$112,534.48	Administrative funding can be used by ACT for costs that directly relates to administering Program rounds for which Commonwealth funding has been delivered. These funds cannot be used for the administration of specific projects (i.e. where ACT is the project proponent). These funds cannot be used for costs directly related to the preparation or facilitation of DRF applications for future rounds (i.e. for project proposals that have not yet been assessed and funded).  ACT is required to provide updates on the use of administration funding as part of quarterly performance reports.

In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, ACT is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

Annexure 2H – Northern Territory

# Disaster Ready Fund Round Two - Northern Territory FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT - ENVIRONMENT

Parties	Commonwealth of Australia (Commonwealth) Northern Territory (NT)				
Duration	This Schedule will commence as soon as both Parties sign it and will expire on completion of all projects and performance milestones under the Schedule, in accordance with timeframes outlined in the Program Guidelines and Implementation Plan. The Agreement may be terminated earlier or extended as agreed in writing by the Parties.				
Purpose	This Schedule will support the delivery of projects identified through Round Two of the Disaster Ready Fund (Program), which will help drive long term resilience and sustainability by delivering projects that mitigate the impact of disasters on communities, economies, and the environment. Funding provided under this Schedule will contribute to the delivery of the projects listed at <a href="Attachment A">Attachment A</a> , and support state and territory governments with Program administration as established at <a href="Attachment B">Attachment B</a> .				
Estimated financial	The Commonwealth will provide to NT an estimated total financial contribution of \$16,328,448.12 (GST exclusive) in respect of this Schedule.				
contributions	NT will be responsible for arranging financial and/or in-kin projects to an estimated total value of \$16,400,955.00, an administration to an estimated total value of \$241,307.12.	d for Program			
	Funding category	AUD			
	Estimated* Commonwealth contribution for projects	\$16,087,141.00			
	Estimated* non-Commonwealth contributions for projects (1)	\$16,400,955.00			
	Estimated* Commonwealth contribution for Program administration (2)	\$241,307.12			
	Estimated* NT contribution for Program administration (3)	\$241,307.12			
	Estimated* total budget (projects and Program \$32,970,710.24 administration)				
	(1) = value of all financial and in kind contributions to be provided by NT and proponents.	D. WITH 185			
	(2) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, the Common Program administration is up to 1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth fund projects under Round Two.				

(3) = In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, NT is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

\*Amounts shown may not add to totals due to rounding.

## Additional terms

#### Allocation of funds

(1) The Parties understand that this Schedule is made in good faith and there is an expectation that funding will be apportioned to projects as shown at <u>Attachment A</u>, and used for Program administration as shown at <u>Attachment B</u>.

#### Implementation Plans

- (2) Implementation Plans for each project under the Schedule will be developed by NT and provided to the Commonwealth for endorsement as soon as possible, but no later than three months after the commencement of this Schedule unless otherwise agreed by the Commonwealth.
  - a. The requirements of the Implementation Plans are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
  - b. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.
  - Expenditure of Commonwealth funds awarded cannot be incurred until the Commonwealth has endorsed the Implementation Plan for that project, in writing.
  - d. With written approval from NT, project proponents can commence activities that use only a co-contribution referred to in <u>Attachment A</u> or do not incur expenditure, prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the Implementation Plan.
  - e. The Commonwealth will not be liable, and should not be held as being liable, for any activities undertaken before an Implementation Plan covering that project is endorsed.

### Performance monitoring and reporting

- (3) The Parties acknowledge that payments under these agreements would usually be tied to the performance milestones at Table 2 below. In lieu of milestone based payments under this agreement, NT commits to honouring the reporting obligations required by this Schedule.
- (4) The frequency and timing of reporting under this Schedule is set out at Table 2: Performance requirements and payment summary
- (5) The content requirements of reporting under this Schedule are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program, as issued by

- the Commonwealth and amended from time to time and to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.
- (6) The Commonwealth may use the Program Reporting Material provided by NT as required under the Program Guidelines, including to inform the monitoring and evaluation of the Disaster Ready Fund.

#### Third party project proponents

- (7) In line with the Program Guidelines, NT may engage third party project proponents to support the delivery of projects under this Schedule.
- (8) While third party project proponents are not signatories to this Schedule, NT is solely responsible for ensuring third party compliance with the *Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019*, the Disaster Ready Fund Program Guidelines for Round Two, and the terms and conditions of this Schedule.
- (9) Subject to clause 2.c NT can enter into negotiation of funding agreements with third party project proponents prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the relevant Implementation Plans.

#### Repayment of amounts to the Commonwealth

- (10) If efficiencies or overspends are identified, funding may be reallocated to/from other projects under this Program in NT with the Commonwealth's approval, which will not be unreasonably withheld.
- (11) In accordance with subsection 21(4) of the *Disaster Ready Fund Act* 2019, the Commonwealth reserves the right to recover an amount provided under this Schedule, where:
  - a project cannot be delivered in line with the relevant Implementation Plan and the project cannot be appropriately scaled or varied,
  - b. the Commonwealth and NT cannot reach an agreement on how to reallocate the funds, or
  - c. the Commonwealth considers, in its absolute discretion, that another condition of this Schedule is not met.
- (12) The Commonwealth will determine on a reasonable basis whether an amount should be repaid, and if so, how much should be repaid, with regard to the circumstances of each matter.
- (13) The Commonwealth will not recover an amount provided under this Schedule where the funds have been expended by NT in good faith on project delivery in line with the relevant Implementation Plan.

#### Intellectual Property rights

- (14)NT owns the Intellectual Property rights in the Activity Material of projects at Attachment A.
- (15) This Schedule does not affect ownership of any Intellectual Property rights in Existing Material.

- (16)To the extent that the Commonwealth needs to use any of the Activity Material, NT will agree to terms with the Commonwealth for access to required materials.
- (17) NT must ensure that any arrangement it enters into with a project proponent includes a licence of Intellectual Property rights to the Commonwealth in a form substantially the same as in clauses 14-16 above.
- (18) This Schedule is subject to the special conditions set out below. If there is any inconsistency between the provisions of this Schedule and the special conditions, the special conditions, to the extent of the inconsistency, prevail.
- (19)[SPECIAL CONDITIONS]

#### Glossary

Activity	The project activity described in this Schedule, including the provision of the Reporting Material.
Activity Material	Any Material, other than Reporting Material, created or developed as a result of Program funding.
Existing Material	Means any Material that:
	(a) was in existence before the receipt of Program funding; or
	(b) is developed independently of Program funding
	and that is incorporated in, supplied with or as part of, or required to be supplied with or as part of, the Activity Material.
Intellectual Property (IP)	Means all copyright, patents, registered and unregistered trademarks (including service marks), registered designs, and other rights resulting from intellectual activity (other than moral rights under the Copyright Act 1968). IP covers the wide range of intangible property that is the result of the creative and intellectual effort of individuals and organisations. This includes but is not limited to inventions, computer programs, databases, data, broadcasts, trade marks and designs.
Project proponent	The entities responsible for delivering the project, including day to day project management. Also known as delivery partners or applicants.
Program/the Program	The Disaster Ready Fund

Reporting Material	Means all implementation plans, performance, final, and ad hoc reports which NT is required to provide to the Commonwealth for the purposes of keeping the Commonwealth up-to-date with the performance of the Activity, as specified in this schedule.
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Output/s	Performance milestones	Due Date	Payment
As detailed in each	NT enters into a funding agreement with the Commonwealth.	Upon signing of this Schedule by both Parties.	\$16,328,448.12
project application and Implementation Plans.	Commonwealth endorsement of Implementation Plans, submitted by NT, encompassing all projects under the Schedule.	Implementation Plans submitted to the Commonwealth for endorsement within three months of the commencement of this Schedule. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of Performance Reports, submitted by NT, encompassing all projects under the Schedule, and updates on the use of administration funding.	Performance Reports submitted to the Commonwealth quarterly, in line with due dates advised by the Commonwealth, until the completion of all projects under the Schedule.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of Final Reports, submitted by NT, encompassing all completed projects under the Schedule.	Final Reports submitted to the Commonwealth no later than six months from the end of the quarterly Performance Report period that the related projects completed in.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of an Audit Report, submitted by NT, encompassing all Material Projects under the Schedule.	Audit Report submitted to the Commonwealth no later than nine months from the end of the financial year in which the final project under the Schedule is completed.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of any ad hoc report/s requested.	As specified by the Commonwealth in respect of each request.	N/A
	Commonwealth acceptance of any financial declarations requested.	As specified by the Commonwealth in respect of each request.	N/A

<sup>\*</sup> For the purposes of this Schedule, the following terms have the meanings set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework for the Program: Implementation Plan, Performance Reports; Final Report; Audit Report; Material Projects; Ad Hoc Report; Financial Declaration.

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this Schedule as follows:

**Signed** for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by

Sepator the Hon Jenny McAllister Minister for Emergency Management

Minister for Cities

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Signed for and on behalf of NT by

The Hon Lia Finocchiaro MLA

Chief Minister Minister for Police

Minister for Fire and Emergency Services

Minister for Defence NT

Territory Coordinator

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## Attachment A

## **Details of NT Funded Projects**

			Location (Local		Cth funding	Co-contributions			
DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description		From NT government sources	From non- government project proponents	Total project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200243	Increasing community resilience, adaptive capacity and preparedness through trauma care workshops for emergency first responders	Careflight	NT - All	CareFlight will deliver 10 Trauma Care Workshops across the Northern Territory (NT) annually for 3 years (30 in total), providing advanced trauma care training to up to 630 first responders. This will increase first responders' capability and capacity to enhance the short-term and longer-term outcomes of trauma patients, reduce community vulnerability to the direct and indirect impacts of natural hazards, and provide peer support and professional development, thereby promoting longevity of service.	\$236,010.00	\$0.00	\$236,016.00	\$472,026.00	

DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions		Total	
						From NT government sources	From non- government project proponents	project cost	Funding conditions
DRFR200300	Waste from Disasters: Planning to reduce impact and build capacity	Charles Darwin University	NT - MacDonnell, Victoria Daly	The Waste from Disasters project will use 3 communities to develop a robust disaster waste management framework for remote communities in the Northern Territory. It will take into account social, cultural and environmental specificities of each community. Developed during non-disaster time, such a plan will aim to reduce impacts of disaster and build capacity to manage disaster waste in remote communities.	\$365,876.00	\$0.00	\$407,660.00	\$773,536.00	
DRFR200001	Nhulunbuy Community Cyclone Shelter	Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics	NT - East Arnhem	The Nhulunbuy Community Cyclone Shelter will deliver a new multi-purpose community cyclone shelter for the Nhulunbuy community providing shelter capacity for up to 1800 people. Regional and remote communities located along the Northern Territory's coastline are vulnerable to cyclones and many lack the capacity to safely shelter a community's	\$14,950,000.00	\$15,166,344.00	\$50,935.00	\$30,167,279.0 0	

DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/ territory- wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions		Total	
						From NT government sources	From non- government project proponents	project cost	Funding conditions
				local population. Cyclones can have a devastating impact on these communities which may lead to loss of life or serious injury.					
DRFR200208	Managing Fire Risk in the Central Desert Regional Council Region	Central Desert Regional Council	NT - Central Desert	The proposed project enhances disaster resilience by acquiring a grader to undertake fire break maintenance for First Nation communities such as Atitjere, Engawala, Ti-Tree, Willowra, Laramba, Nyirripi, Yuelamu and Yuendumu. This is essential equipment for Central Desert Region communities to proactively mitigate impacts of wildfires, safeguarding lives, properties, and natural resources. Outcomes include enhanced fire prevention capabilities, reduced fire risk, and increased safety for residents in the Central Desert region.	\$535,255.00	\$0.00	\$540,000.00	\$1,075,255.00	

## Attachment B

## **Details of NT Program administration funding**

Description (how NT intends to use administration funding awarded)	Cth funding (1.5 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to NT for projects under Round Two, or a minimum of \$112,500).	Co-contribution (from jurisdiction)	Funding conditions
	\$241,307.12	\$241,307.12	Administrative funding can be used by NT for costs that directly relates to administering Program rounds for which Commonwealth funding has been delivered. These funds cannot be used for the administration of specific projects (i.e. where NT is the project proponent). These funds cannot be used for costs directly related to the preparation or facilitation of DRF applications for future rounds (i.e. for project proposals that have not yet been assessed and funded).
			NT is required to provide updates on the use of administration funding as part of quarterly performance reports.

In accordance with section 6.2 of the Program Guidelines, NT is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).

