

## Schedule 2A

# Australian Capital Territory- Water Sensitive Urban Design Efficiency Measures Project- Business Case

### PROJECT SCHEDULE FOR AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY-LED EFFICIENCY PROJECTS

1. This schedule has been developed consistent with clause 25 of the Project Agreement for Murray- Darling Basin Water Infrastructure – Australian Capital Territory (ACT)-led Projects.
2. The ACT Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) Efficiency Measures Project will provide a business case that determines a preferred option for recovery of up to 4 GL of efficiency measures water under the Murray Darling Basin Water Infrastructure Program.
3. The ACT Government will develop a proposal for further improvements to the Territory's approach to WSUD. Business case development for the project includes, but is not limited to:
  - Investigating industry best practice approaches for application of enhanced waterefficiency modelling tools
  - Reviewing of the ACT mandatory requirements under the Territory Plan water efficiency (and water quality) targets with a view to increasing the water efficiency requirements of new developments.
  - Auditing of Canberra largest water users to benchmark them against industry standards and identify current practices to improve their water use efficiency.
  - Developing enhanced water efficiency modelling tools to ensure assessment of urban development compliance against water use and water quality requirements.
  - Investigating amending and expanding the ACT's Permeant Water Conservation Measures to reflect Industry Best Practice.
  - Exploring policy and financial incentives to promote WSUD.
4. A detailed business case will be developed addressing each of the above activities and also addressing the information requirements and criteria in clauses 23 and 24 of the ACT Project Agreement.

5. The final business case will provide a compelling case for Commonwealth investment of Water for the Environment (WESA) funds and will provide the basis for a decision by the ACT and the Commonwealth, on whether to proceed with implementation of the identified options.
6. If the parties decide to proceed with full implementation of the project, a new project schedule will be added to the ACT Project Agreement which details the implementation activities and milestones.
7. In accordance with clause 25 of the Agreement, milestones for projects, their relationship to outputs, expected completion dates, relevant reporting dates and expected payments are set out in Table 1.
8. The Project Business Case will be completed by 29 November 2019.
9. The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to this project of \$207,000 in respect of this Agreement as shown in Table 1. GST is not applicable to the payments.

**Table 1: Milestones, reporting and payment summary**

Outputs	Milestones	Report due	Payment
<b>Business Case Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) mandatory standards and planning codes</b>	Project commencement	06/2019	\$0
	Engage appropriately qualified professionals to undertake the abovementioned investigations.	07/2019	<b>\$51,750</b>
	Draft report	09/2019	<b>\$51,750</b>
	Undertake investigations to quantify compliance with the MDBWIP requirement of neutral or positive socioeconomic outcomes including a multi criteria analysis against the ACT long term water security requirements, cost benefit analysis and any other identified requirements.	10/2019	<b>\$51,750</b>
	Final Business Case	11/2019	<b>\$51,750</b>
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$207,000</b>

10. The ACT will be responsible for ensuring that a completed business case provides relevant information as the basis for decision making in accordance with clause 24 of this agreement. This will include detailed cost estimates for implementation of the project.

## SIGN OFF

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

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



**The Honourable David Littleproud MP**

Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources

Date: 7.4.19

**Signed for and on behalf of the Australian Capital Territory by**



**Mr Mick Gentleman MLA**

Minister for the Environment and Heritage

Date:

15/5/19