

# Australian Capital Territory- Sustainable Development- 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 Sustainable Development Efficiency Measures Project will provide a business case that determines a preferred option for recovery of up to 1.5 GL of efficiency measures water under the Murray Darling Basin Water Infrastructure Program.
3. The ACT Government will investigate the potential for future estate developments to achieve water use efficiency and general sustainability gains by considering an integrated water cycle approach.
4. Business case development for the project includes, but it is not limited to:
  - Installation of stormwater ponds and wetlands and rainwater tanks.
  - Irrigation of public open spaces.
  - Stormwater reuse for non-potable domestic purposes (third pipe system).
  - Recycled stormwater to potable standards.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. If the parties decide to proceed with full implementation of the project, a new project sub- schedule will be added to the ACT Project Agreement which details the implementation activities and milestones.
8. 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.
9. The Project Business Case will be completed by 29 November 2019.

10. The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to this project of \$172,500 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
Business Case	Project commencement	06/2019	\$0
	Engage appropriately qualified professionals to undertake the abovementioned investigations.	07/2019	\$43,125
	Draft report	09/2019	\$43,125
	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	\$43,125
	Final Business Case	11/2019	\$43,125
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$172,500</b>

11. 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:

13/5/19