Tasmanian Implementation Plan

NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP ON DISASTER RISK REDUCTION

PART 1: PRELIMINARIES

- 1. This Implementation Plan is a schedule to the National Partnership Agreement on Disaster Risk Reduction and should be read in conjunction with that Agreement.
- 2. The objective in the National Partnership is to proactively reduce the risk and limit the impact of disasters associated with natural hazards on Australian communities and economies.
- 3. The initiative will deliver on the priorities, five-year outcomes and 2030 goals of the National Disaster Risk Reduction Framework (NDRRF) across Australia's built, social, natural and economic environments. It aims to reduce existing disaster risk, minimise the creation of future disaster risk and equip decision-makers with the capabilities and information needed to reduce disaster risk and manage residual risk.

PART 2: TERMS OF THIS IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

- 4. This Implementation Plan will commence as soon as it is agreed between the Commonwealth of Australia, represented by the Minister for Agriculture, Drought and Emergency Management, and Tasmania represented by the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Management.
- 5. As a schedule to the National Partnership Agreement on Disaster Risk Reduction, the purpose of this Implementation Plan is to provide the public with an indication of how the project is intended to be delivered and demonstrate Tasmania's capacity to achieve the outcomes of the National Partnership.
- 6. This Implementation Plan will cease on completion or termination of the National Partnership, including final performance reporting and processing of final payments against performance milestones.
- 7. This Implementation Plan may be varied by written agreement between the Commonwealth and State Ministers responsible for it under the overarching National Partnership.
- 8. The Parties to this Implementation Plan do not intend any of the provisions to be legally enforceable. However, that does not lessen the Parties' commitment to the plan and its full implementation.

PART 3: STRATEGY FOR TASMANIA IMPLEMENTATION

Project information

- 9. In support of the NDRRF, Tasmania has developed a Tasmanian Disaster Resilience Strategy 2020-2025 which focuses on implementing the Sendai Framework and achieving alignment with the NDRRF. The vision for Tasmania is that using the best available evidence, everyone works together to reduce their disaster risk, and to prepare to withstand and adapt to the impacts of disasters.
- 10. To assist with the achievement of this vision Tasmania will use the funding provided under the National Partnership Agreement on Disaster Risk Reduction to support a competitive grants program known as the Natural Disaster Risk Reduction Grant Program (NDRRGP).
- 11. The NDRRGP will distribute the National Partnership funding to risk reduction initiatives delivered by state agencies, local government and volunteer groups outlined in Table 1.

Table 1: Project elements

No.	Title	Description	Scheduled start date	Scheduled end date	Dependent on project/s
1	State Initiatives	To support the Tasmanian State Emergency Management Committee (SEMC) in delivering disaster risk reduction projects at a state level.	Within 60 days of agreement to the Implementation Plan	30 June 2024	EMFSP (4)
2	Local Initiatives	To support Tasmanian communities in delivering disaster risk reduction projects at a municipal level.	Within 60 days of agreement to the Implementation Plan	30 June 2024	EMFSP (4)
3	Volunteer Initiatives	To support Tasmanian volunteer groups in delivering disaster risk reduction projects within their area of focus.	Within 60 days of agreement to this Implementation Plan	30 June 2024	EMFSP (4)
4	Emergency Management Framework Support Program (EMFSP)	The EMFSP will augment the efforts of the State in public safety and emergency management awareness activities and the delivery of emergency management planning and risk management services. Governance and oversight of any funding programs will be provided as part of this program, including costs associated with program administration.	On the date of agreement to this Implementation Plan	30 June 2024	Nil

- 12. The NDRRGP will be administered by the State Emergency Service through the EMFSP in accordance with the State's Treasurer's Instruction 709 Grant Management Framework.
- 13. Activities funded under the NDRRGP will need to align with the NDRRF and Tasmanian SEMC priorities. An Assessment Panel will be established to assess projects and recommend priority projects to the State Controller for approval. Funding agreements will be developed between the State and successful grant recipients and the payment of funds (by instalments) will be linked to project milestones.

Estimated costs

- 14. The maximum financial contribution to be provided by the Commonwealth for the project to the jurisdiction is \$5.22 million payable in accordance with milestones set out in the National Partnership. All payments are exclusive of GST.
- 15. The estimated overall budget (exclusive of GST) is set out in Table 2. The budget is indicative only and Tasmania retains the flexibility to move funds between components and/or years, as long as outcomes are not affected. The Commonwealth contribution can only be moved between years with the agreement of the Commonwealth.

Table 2: Estimated financial contributions

(\$ million)	*Yearı	*Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total
State Initiatives	0.8352	0.8352	0.8352	0.8352	0.8352	4.176
Local Initiatives	0.6264	0.6264	0.6264	0.6264	0.6264	3.132
Volunteer Initiatives	0.3967	0.3967	0.3967	0.3967	0.3967	1.983
EMFSP	0.2297	0.2297	0.2297	0.2297	0.2297	1.149
Total estimated budget	2.088	2.088	2.088	2.088	2.088	10.44
less estimated Commonwealth contribution	1.044	1.044	1.044	1.044	1.044	5.22
equals estimated balance of non-Commonwealth contributions	1.044	1.044	1.044	1.044	1.044	5.22
Total Commonwealth contribution	1.044	1.044	1.044	1.044	1.044	5.22

Notes:

^{*} Years 1 and 2 conducted concurrently.

Program logic

16. The NDRRGP through the delivery of State, Local and Volunteer initiatives with the support of the EMFSP will contribute to the objectives, outcomes and outputs specified in the National Partnership, see excerpt below.

Outcomes

- 12. This Agreement will deliver on the priorities, five-year outcomes and 2030 goals of the National Disaster Risk Reduction Framework across Australia's built, social, natural and economic environments, to:
- (a) take action to reduce existing disaster risk;
- (b) minimise creation of future disaster risk; and
- (c) equip decision-makers with the capabilities and information they need to reduce disaster risk and manage residual risk.

Outputs

- 13. The objective and outcomes of this Agreement will be achieved by implementing a program of disaster risk reduction activities to address natural hazard risks identified in State, regional or local risk assessments and the following priorities of the National Disaster Risk Reduction Framework:
- (a) understanding disaster risk;
- (b) accountable decision-making across all sectors to respond to immediate and long-term disaster risk and actively manage the potential creation or exacerbation of disaster risk;
- (c) enhanced investment in disaster risk reduction to build resilience; and
- (d) transparent, sustainable and accountable governance, ownership and responsibility for disaster risk management.
- 17. The way in which the State, Local, Volunteer and EMFSP projects will achieve the objective, outcomes and outputs set out in the National Partnership above are detailed in Table 3 below.

Table 3: Program logic

Project elements	Outputs	Outcomes	Reform/ Project Objectives	Responsibilities
State Initiatives	Output (a) (b) (c) and (d)	Outcomes (a) (b) and (c)	To support the SEMC in delivering disaster risk reduction projects at a state level.	Tasmania
Local Initiatives	Output (a) (b) (c) and (d)	Outcomes (a) (b) and (c)	To support Tasmanian communities in delivering disaster risk reduction projects at a municipal level.	Tasmania
Volunteer Initiatives	Output (a) (b) (c) and (d)	Outcomes (a) (b) and (c)	To support Tasmanian volunteer groups in delivering disaster risk reduction projects within their area of focus.	Tasmania
EMFSP	Output (d)	Outcomes (a) (b) and (c)	To assist the efforts of the State in regard to emergency management awareness and planning, risk management, and oversights of funding programs	Tasmania

Risk management

18. During application for the NDRRF applicants will need to articulate the risks associated with their project and articulate mitigation and treatment mechanisms to address these risks. These will be reviewed by the Assessment Panel and the risks will be taken into consideration as part of the assessment process for suitability to receive funding.

Relevant State Context

- 19. In developing this Implementation Plan Tasmania has sought to replicate the very successful model used for previous National Partnerships and provide access to funding for a variety of stakeholders within Tasmania.
- 20. As identified in Part 3, Tasmania has developed the Tasmanian Disaster Resilience Strategy 2020 2025 which is aligned with the NDRRF. The four goals of the Resilience Strategy are:
 - Understanding disaster risk everyone understands the disaster risks affecting them;
 - Working together everyone collaborates to reduce risks and prepare for disaster;
 - Reducing disaster risk everyone reduces disaster risks in ways that have everyday benefits; and
 - Being prepared for disaster when a disaster occurs, everyone knows what to do and can do it.
- 21. The resilience strategy is supported by two key documents that are also aligned with the NDRRF, these are:
 - a. SEMC Strategic Directions Framework Provides a roadmap for the SEMC and the Tasmanian Government to pursue the Strategic Directions in the Tasmanian Disaster Resilience Strategy and enables ongoing collaboration to pursue risk reduction.
 - b. Tasmanian Emergency Management Arrangements (TEMA) Define activities that mitigate risks and outline whole-of-State, regional and municipal preparedness measures and describe how to effectively respond to, and recover from, the impacts of emergencies.

Sign off

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

Signature

Date

11/06/2020

The Hon Mark Shelton MP

Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Management

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The Hon David Littleproud MP

Minister for Agriculture, Drought and Emergency Management