

Disaster Ready Fund Round Three – Tasmania

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – ENVIRONMENT

Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule													
Parties	Commonwealth of Australia (Commonwealth) Tasmania												
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 Three of the Disaster Ready Fund (Program), which will increase understanding of, build resilience to and mitigate the impacts of natural disasters on Australian communities across the built, social, natural and economic environments and may also be used to support projects identified under future rounds of the Program in accordance with this Schedule. Funding provided under this Schedule will contribute to the delivery of the projects listed at Attachment A , and support state and territory governments with Program administration as established at Attachment B .												
Estimated financial contributions	<p>The Commonwealth will provide to Tasmania an estimated total financial contribution of \$9,710,492.39 (GST exclusive) in respect of this Schedule. Tasmania will be responsible for arranging financial and/or in-kind contributions for projects to an estimated total value of \$7,561,989.00, and for Program administration to an estimated total value of \$145,657.39.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Funding category</th> <th>AUD</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td><i>Estimated*</i> Commonwealth contribution for projects</td> <td>\$9,564,835.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Estimated*</i> non-Commonwealth contributions for projects (1)</td> <td>\$7,561,989.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Estimated*</i> Commonwealth contribution for Program administration (2)</td> <td>\$145,657.39</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Estimated*</i> Tasmanian contribution for Program administration (3)</td> <td>\$145,657.39</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Estimated*</i> total budget (projects and Program administration)</td> <td>\$17,418,138.78</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>(1) = value of all financial and in-kind contributions to be provided by Tasmania and third-party project proponents. (2) = In accordance with section 3.1.4 of the Program Guidelines, the Commonwealth contribution for Program administration is up to 1.52 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to Tasmania for projects under Round Three. (3) = In accordance with section 3.1.4 of the Program Guidelines, Tasmania 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.</p>	Funding category	AUD	<i>Estimated*</i> Commonwealth contribution for projects	\$9,564,835.00	<i>Estimated*</i> non-Commonwealth contributions for projects (1)	\$7,561,989.00	<i>Estimated*</i> Commonwealth contribution for Program administration (2)	\$145,657.39	<i>Estimated*</i> Tasmanian contribution for Program administration (3)	\$145,657.39	<i>Estimated*</i> total budget (projects and Program administration)	\$17,418,138.78
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Related documents	<p>This Schedule should be read in conjunction with the Disaster Ready Fund Round Three 2025-26 Guidelines (Program Guidelines) and the latest version of the Disaster Ready Fund Audit and Reporting Framework (Audit and Reporting Framework) as published on the National Emergency Management Agency's website and amended from time to time. To the extent that this Schedule applies, or is proposed to apply, to a project identified under a future round of the Program, this Schedule should be read in conjunction with the Disaster Ready Fund guidelines applicable to that particular round and references in this Schedule to the 'Program Guidelines' are references to those guidelines (rather than the Disaster Ready Fund Round Three 2025-26 Guidelines) for the purposes of that project.</p>
Additional terms	<p>Allocation of funds</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>Implementation Plans</p> <p>(2) Implementation Plans for each project under the Schedule will be developed by Tasmania and provided to the Commonwealth for endorsement as soon as possible, but no later than two months after the commencement of this Schedule unless otherwise agreed by the Commonwealth.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The requirements of the Implementation Plans are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework, 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 Tasmania, 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. <p>Performance monitoring and reporting</p> <p>(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, Tasmania commits to honouring the reporting obligations required by this Schedule.</p> <p>(4) The frequency and timing of reporting under this Schedule is set out at <u>Table 2: Performance requirements and payment summary</u></p> <p>(5) The content requirements of reporting under this Schedule are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework, to the extent that they are not</p>

inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.

- (6) The Commonwealth may use the Program Reporting Material provided by Tasmania as defined in and required under the Program Guidelines for any purpose, including to inform the monitoring and evaluation of the Disaster Ready Fund.

Third party project proponents

- (7) In line with the Program Guidelines, Tasmania may enter into agreements with 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, Tasmania is solely responsible for ensuring third party compliance with the *Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019*, obligations set out in the Program Guidelines, and the terms and conditions of this Schedule.
- (9) Subject to clause 2.c, Tasmania can enter into negotiation of funding agreements with third party project proponents prior to the endorsement by the Commonwealth of the relevant Implementation Plans, and must have binding agreements in place with project proponents prior to paying them Commonwealth funds.

Funding Arrangements

- (10) The Commonwealth agrees to provide each state with upfront payment to meet the full approved cost of each project in that state, as set out in **Attachment A**.

Reallocation of project funding within the same jurisdiction approved by Commonwealth

(11) Where:

- a. the final cost of a completed project is less than the approved funding amount shown at **Attachment A** for that project, or
- b. a project under this Schedule is unable to be delivered as intended (and cannot be appropriately scaled or varied to enable its delivery) in accordance with the approved project application or, once endorsed, the Implementation Plan, any associated Commonwealth funds paid to but not yet spent by Tasmania or project proponents for the purposes of that project (referred to as a 'Project Underspend' for the purposes of this Schedule) may be reallocated to:

- c. other existing projects set out in **Attachment A** to this Schedule, where those projects can be appropriately scaled or varied, or
- d. new projects which have been assessed as suitable and representing value for money by the Commonwealth in line with the Program Guidelines and relevant legislative requirements and added to **Attachment A** through variations to this Schedule;

provided that all of the following conditions are met:

- e. there has been no breach of the terms and conditions of this Schedule;
- f. the project for which the reallocated funds will be used is directed towards achieving one or more of the purposes

	<p>specified in section 20(1A) of the <i>Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019</i>;</p> <p>g. the project for which the reallocated funds will be used complies with the rules for eligible expenditure under the Program Guidelines (e.g. Commonwealth funds cannot be used to cover project cost overruns); and</p> <p>h. the Commonwealth has provided prior written approval of the reallocation, which will not be unreasonably withheld.</p> <p>Repayment of amounts to the Commonwealth</p> <p>(12) In accordance with subsection 21(4) of the Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019, the Commonwealth reserves the right to recover an amount provided to Tasmania under this Schedule, where:</p> <p>a. a Project Underspend has occurred and the Commonwealth has decided not to approve the reallocation of the relevant funds under 11(h) or the conditions for reallocation in clause 11 are otherwise not met;</p> <p>or</p> <p>b. the Commonwealth considers, in its absolute discretion, that there has been a breach by Tasmania of a condition of this Schedule, including those listed in clause 11.</p> <p>(13) The Commonwealth will determine on a reasonable basis whether an amount should be repaid in relation to clause 12, and if so, how much should be repaid and reasonable timeframe for repayment, with regard to the circumstances of each matter.</p> <p>(14) The Commonwealth will not recover an amount provided under this Schedule where the funds have been expended by Tasmania or a project proponent in compliance with the terms and conditions of this Schedule and with the relevant Implementation Plan before being notified of the Commonwealth's intention to recover the relevant amount.</p> <p>Intellectual Property rights</p> <p>(15) The Intellectual Property arrangements set out in section 12.8 of the Program Guidelines will apply to all funded projects unless an exception has been agreed by the Commonwealth and recorded in the relevant Implementation Plan in accordance with those arrangements.</p> <p>(16) Tasmania must ensure that binding agreements that give effect to the aforementioned arrangements are in place with project proponents prior to paying Commonwealth funds.</p>
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Table 2: Performance requirements and payment summary			
Output/s	Performance milestones	Due Date	Payment
As detailed in each project application and Implementation Plans.	Tasmania enters into a funding agreement with the Commonwealth.	Upon signing of this Schedule by both Parties.	\$9,710,492.39
	Commonwealth endorsement of Implementation Plans, submitted by Tasmania, for all projects under the Schedule.	Implementation Plans submitted to the Commonwealth for endorsement within two 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 Tasmania, for all projects under the Schedule.	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 Tasmania, for 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 any required financial reporting, submitted by Tasmania, in line with the Audit and Reporting Framework for all Projects under the Schedule and any administration funding provided.	Project financial acquittals and Audit Reports (where required) submitted to the Commonwealth no later than six months from the end of the quarterly Performance Report period the related projects completed in. A round-specific financial acquittal must be submitted by the jurisdiction no later than six 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

* 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**



The Hon Kristy McBain MP
Minister for Emergency Management
[Day] [Month] [Year]

30 / 12 / 2025

Signed for and on behalf of Tasmania



The Hon Jeremy Rockliff MP
Premier of Tasmania

22 January 2026

Attachment A

Details of Tasmanian Funded Projects

DRFID	Project title	Proponent	Location (Local Government Area/s or state/territory-wide)	Description	Cth funding	Co-contributions		Total project cost	Funding conditions
						From Tasmanian government sources	Co Contributions from All Other Sources		
DRFR300013	Launceston Flood Mitigation Plan	Launceston City Council	Launceston	The City of Launceston recognises the existential risks associated with major floods on our city. This project will deliver a comprehensive Launceston Flood Mitigation Plan, to address current and future vulnerabilities associated with flooding. The plan will include research, flood modelling, economic analysis and historic data, to provide an assessment of flood mitigation options and their costs and benefits. The plan will consider infrastructure projects, natural solutions and policy measures.	\$540,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,032,708.00	\$1,572,708.00	
DRFR300027	Enhancing Disaster Readiness in Devonport	Devonport City Council	Devonport	This project aims to enhance disaster resilience in Devonport by updating local risk reduction and	\$25,760.00	\$0.00	\$52,256.00	\$78,016.00	

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				emergency plans and strengthening governance frameworks. It focuses on improving hazard understanding through real-time data from river monitoring, supporting better-informed decision-making for emergency planning and response. By integrating data-driven approaches with coordinated planning, the project will improve risk reduction efforts, boost resilience to extreme weather events, and ensure more effective disaster response across the municipality.					
DRFR300028	Tasmanian Integrated Fire Camera Network	Sustainable Timber Tasmania	Tasmania - All	The Tasmanian Integrated Fire Camera Network is a collaboration between Tasmania's three fire management agencies to enhance Tasmania's fire detection capabilities. The project will install new fire detection cameras and develop an online portal. It	\$1,439,050.00	\$820,000.00	\$1,367,000.00	\$3,626,050.00	

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				will utilise AI-enabled fire detection software with human verification. Feeds from existing and currently deficiently managed cameras will be integrated into this portal, providing a unified and effective detection of fire incidents.					
DRFR300029	Aerial Imagery Intelligence for Prevention, Preparedness, Response and Recovery (PPRR)	Location Services - Land Tasmania - Department of Natural Resources and Environment	Central Highlands (Tas.); Circular Head; Derwent Valley; Huon Valley; Northern Midlands; Southern Midlands; Waratah-Wynyard; West Coast	Aerial imagery provides critical intelligence for emergency response and disaster preparedness. At present, much of Tasmania's high-risk fire areas rely on outdated imagery, making it unreliable, with some rural regions nearly 20 years old. This project plans to capture new digital imagery, ensuring agencies responsible for fire mitigation have access to accurate data via the Tasmanian Government's online mapping platform, ListMap, and the Common Operating Platform (COP).	\$440,000.00	\$464,577.00	\$0.00	\$904,577.00	
DRFR300030	Mitigating	University of	Victoria - All;	Pollen storms seriously	\$5,991,124.00	\$453,562.00	\$2,500,336.00	\$8,945,022.00	

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	increasing risks from pollen storms by expanding and enhancing the Australian bioaerosol monitoring network.	Tasmania	Western Australia - All; South Australia - All; New South Wales - All; Tasmania - All	affect the health of many Australians and can trigger high-mortality epidemic thunderstorm asthma events. Expanding the Australian network of automated monitors will enable real-time tracking of airborne allergens, accurate prediction of high-risk episodes, and tailored alerts for vulnerable individuals and health and emergency services. The integrated network will support enduring resilience to this escalating hazard through implementation of ongoing system maintenance, communication and response frameworks.					
DRFR300037	Building Flood Resilience in key areas of Glamorgan Spring Bay, Lutruwita, Tasmania	Glamorgan Spring Bay Council	Glamorgan-Spring Bay	This project will increase the resilience of Glamorgan Spring Bay in key catchments and address risks of flooding by implementing effective infrastructure improvements and riparian management	\$504,837.00	\$0.00	\$63,940.00	\$568,777.00	

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				strategies to mitigate the effects of extreme waterflows and improve waterway health. The project will also trial the use of river monitoring devices to provide early warning to residents and visitors, working with key stakeholders and community to increase awareness and preparedness.					
DRFR300038	Bruny Island Safe Access and Community Environmental Fire Buffer Zone.	Monzen Pty Ltd	Kingborough	This project reduces the abundant fuel load in an iconic section of Bruny Island that is a strategic traffic (daily average approximately 1200 vehicles) and services bottleneck. The risk of fire is independently rated as extreme. This area hosts an iconic Tourism asset (150,000 visitors annually) and a range of endangered species. Modern mulching technology with Cultural Burning will reduce significant risk, capture learnings and develop skills	\$206,389.00	\$0.00	\$227,257.00	\$433,646.00	

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				for the whole community.					
DRFR300053	Tasmanian Coastal Hazard Resilience Planning Project	Local Government Association of Tasmania	Break O'Day; Brighton; Central Coast (Tas.); Clarence; Dorset; Hobart; Huon Valley; Kingborough; Tasman; Waratah-Wynyard; West Tamar	The Tasmanian Coastal Hazard Resilience Planning Project will develop a comprehensive state-wide approach to coastal hazard management through enhanced hazard mapping of priority investigation areas, development of robust planning tools, and creation of a state-wide framework for coastal community engagement. This multi-council collaboration will increase understanding of risk, improve statutory planning responses, and enhance community preparedness for coastal erosion, inundation, and sea level rise.	\$417,675.00	\$50,000.00	\$530,353.00	\$998,028.00	

Attachment B

Details of Tasmanian Program administration funding

Description how Tasmania intends to use administration funding awarded	Cth funding (1.52 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to Tasmania for projects under Round Three)	Co-contribution (from jurisdiction)	Funding conditions
	\$145,657.39	\$145,657.39	<p>Administrative funding can be used by Tasmania for costs that directly relate 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 Tasmania 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).</p> <p>Tasmania is required to report on the use of administration funding in line with the Audit and Reporting Framework.</p> <p>Refer to section 3.1.4 of the Program Guidelines for further detail on these and other conditions.</p>

In accordance with section 3.1.4 of the Program Guidelines, Tasmania is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).