

Disaster Ready Fund Round Three – Queensland

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – ENVIRONMENT

Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule													
Parties	Commonwealth of Australia (Commonwealth) Queensland												
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 Queensland an estimated total financial contribution of \$52,645,580.78 (GST exclusive) in respect of this Schedule. Queensland will be responsible for arranging financial and/or in-kind contributions for projects to an estimated total value of \$37,577,294.92 and for Program administration to an estimated total value of \$789,683.70</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>\$51,855,897.08</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Estimated*</i> non-Commonwealth contributions for projects (1)</td> <td>\$37,577,294.92</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Estimated*</i> Commonwealth contribution for Program administration (2)</td> <td>\$789,683.70</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Estimated*</i> Queensland contribution for Program administration (3)</td> <td>\$789,683.70</td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Estimated*</i> total budget (projects and Program administration)</td> <td>\$91,012,559.40</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>(1) = value of all financial and in-kind contributions to be provided by Queensland 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 Queensland for projects under Round Three. (3) = In accordance with section 3.1.4 of the Program Guidelines, Queensland 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	\$51,855,897.08	<i>Estimated*</i> non-Commonwealth contributions for projects (1)	\$37,577,294.92	<i>Estimated*</i> Commonwealth contribution for Program administration (2)	\$789,683.70	<i>Estimated*</i> Queensland contribution for Program administration (3)	\$789,683.70	<i>Estimated*</i> total budget (projects and Program administration)	\$91,012,559.40
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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 Queensland 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> <p>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.</p> <p>b. The Commonwealth will review Implementation Plans within four weeks of receipt.</p> <p>c. Expenditure of Commonwealth funds awarded cannot be incurred until the Commonwealth has endorsed the Implementation Plan for that project, in writing.</p> <p>d. With written approval from Queensland, 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.</p> <p>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> <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, Queensland 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 inconsistent with the terms of this Schedule.</p>

	<p>(6) The Commonwealth may use the Program Reporting Material provided by Queensland as defined in and required under the Program Guidelines for any purpose, including to inform the monitoring and evaluation of the Disaster Ready Fund.</p> <p>Third party project proponents</p> <p>(7) In line with the Program Guidelines, Queensland may enter into agreements with third party project proponents to support the delivery of projects under this Schedule.</p> <p>(8) While third party project proponents are not signatories to this Schedule, Queensland is solely responsible for ensuring third party compliance with the <i>Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019</i>, obligations set out in the Program Guidelines, and the terms and conditions of this Schedule.</p> <p>(9) Subject to clause 2.c, Queensland 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.</p> <p>Funding Arrangements</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>Reallocation of project funding within the same jurisdiction approved by Commonwealth</p> <p>(11) Where:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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, <p>any associated Commonwealth funds paid to but not yet spent by Queensland 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:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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; <p>provided that all of the following conditions are met:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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 specified in section 20(1A) of the <i>Disaster Ready Fund Act 2019</i>;
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- 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
- h. the Commonwealth has provided prior written approval of the reallocation, which will not be unreasonably withheld.

Repayment of amounts to the Commonwealth

(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 Queensland under this Schedule, where:

- 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;

or

- b. the Commonwealth considers, in its absolute discretion, that there has been a breach by Queensland of a condition of this Schedule, including those listed in clause 11.

(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.

(14) The Commonwealth will not recover an amount provided under this Schedule where the funds have been expended by Queensland 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.

Intellectual Property rights

(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.

(16) Queensland must ensure that binding agreements that give effect to the aforementioned arrangements are in place with project proponents prior to paying Commonwealth funds.

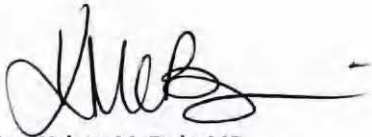
Table 2: Performance requirements and payment summary			
Output/s	Performance milestones	Due Date	Payment
As detailed in each project application and Implementation Plans.	Queensland enters into a funding agreement with the Commonwealth.	Upon signing of this Schedule by both Parties.	\$52,645,580.78
	Commonwealth endorsement of Implementation Plans, submitted by Queensland, 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 Queensland, 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 Queensland, 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 Queensland, 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.

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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]

8/4/26

Signed for and on behalf of Queensland



The Hon Ann Leahy MP
Minister for Fire, Disaster Recovery and Volunteers
[Day] [Month] [Year]

15/04/2026

Attachment A

Details of Queensland 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 Queensland government sources	Co Contributions from All Other Sources		
DRFR300155	Kowanyama Hub	Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council	Kowanyama	This project will construct the Kowanyama Hub, a multipurpose Disaster Coordination Centre to effectively and efficiently coordinate disaster management and emergency service operations. When no disaster coordination, the Hub, will operate as an Indigenous Knowledge Centre, to co-ordinate a range of programs and activities that support the documentation and preservation of Indigenous languages and culture.	\$8,203,500.00	\$0.00	\$911,500.00	\$9,115,000.00	

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						From Queensland government sources	Co Contributions from All Other Sources		
DRFR300160	Coast Road Resilience Upgrade	Gladstone Regional Council	Gladstone	The project will upgrade 3.8 kilometres of low-lying Coast Road in Baffle Creek to improve flood resilience. Works include raising road levels, installing new culverts, and improving drainage and safety features. Once complete, the road will remain accessible during flood events, reducing isolation for residents, supporting emergency access, and enhancing community safety, wellbeing and resilience.	\$5,239,328.00	\$0.00	\$5,239,328.00	\$10,478,656.00	
DRFR300166	South Mission Beach Flood Resilience Project	Cassowary Coast River Improvement Trust	Cassowary Coast	Enhance flood protection in South Mission Beach by expanding open channel drainage and removing bunds that obstruct flow, halving	\$390,154.08	\$0.00	\$109,845.92	\$500,000.00	

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				the five-year flood extent, lower flood depths below floor height, and reduce flood risk for 250 properties. Suitable excavated material will support coastal revegetation, reinforcing natural buffers against storm surges and erosion.					
DRFR300172	Preparing for and responding to emergencies for people with communication disability	The University of Queensland	Queensland - All	Communication-accessible disaster preparedness workshops, forums and an all-hazards toolkit will be co-designed and delivered, immediately increasing disaster preparedness for 275 Queenslanders with communication disability and increasing the long-term capacity of Emergency Services, local councils and	\$272,455.00	\$9,600.00	\$118,195.00	\$400,250.00	

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						From Queensland government sources	Co Contributions from All Other Sources		
				community organisations to communicate effectively with people with communication disability in future disasters.					
DRFR300173	Bedourie Flood Levee Enhancements	Diamantina Shire Council	Diamantina	The project aims to improve the existing flood protection system in Bedourie by addressing critical structural issues. It is a proactive disaster risk reduction initiative designed to strengthen the town's flood resilience, improve emergency preparedness, and mitigate the adverse impacts of flooding. Without funding, the community remains exposed to severe flood impacts, risking economic losses and service disruption.	\$1,108,071.00	\$0.00	\$123,119.00	\$1,231,190.00	

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						From Queensland government sources	Co Contributions from All Other Sources		
DRFR300175	Rockhampton Airport Temporary Barrier project	Rockhampton Regional Council	Rockhampton	This project will deliver a temporary flood barrier that can be deployed to provide adequate flood protection at the Rockhampton Airport Terminal.	\$1,145,045.00	\$0.00	\$1,145,045.00	\$2,290,090.00	
DRFR300182	Cloncurry Shire Council Eastern Drainage Stage 5 Project	Cloncurry Shire Council	Cloncurry	The Eastern Drainage Stage 5 project will deliver the final stage of flood mitigation works through the eastern drainage division of the Cloncurry Township. This includes up- stream diversion works that will both reduce the flow of water into low lying areas along McIlwraith, Miles and Dutton Streets and channel this into drainage infrastructure developed and delivered through	\$2,687,889.00	\$0.00	\$534,000.00	\$3,221,889.00	

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				previous stages of this project.					
DRFR300187	Murweh Shire Council Local Disaster Coordination Centre Relocation & Refurbishment Project	Murweh Shire Council	Murweh	Council seeks funding to develop a specialised Local Disaster Coordination Centre to improve the disaster management capabilities. The enhanced facility will be located at a flood-free site in the Airport Precinct, repurposing the former Charleville Weather Station. This project will enhance disaster preparedness improve the coordination of emergency response operations and support critical communications.	\$474,418.00	\$0.00	\$67,712.00	\$542,130.00	
DRFR300191	Mareeba - Place of Refuge	Mareeba Shire Council	Mareeba	This project upgrades the Cedric Davies Community Hub to a	\$252,250.00	\$0.00	\$252,250.00	\$504,500.00	

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				Place of Refuge by installing Crimsafe screens to windows, cyclone-proof doors, kitchen upgrade including appliances, refurbish toilets and amenities, new disability toilet, cleaners cupboard, install back-up generator with concrete apron and roof. This will strengthen the local economy, improve disaster response, ensure community safety and social inclusion.					
DRFR300193	Burketown multipurpose emergency evacuation and emergency coordination centre	Burke Shire Council	Burke	The project covers the detailed planning, design and documentation of an emergency evacuation centre and disaster coordination centre. The facility will provide a place of	\$414,000.00	\$0.00	\$90,000.00	\$504,000.00	

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				refuge for the community and be designed to: - withstand floods, cyclones, storms and bushfires; - ensure uninterrupted access to power, communications and support; and - serve as an emergency service coordination, training and multipurpose centre.					
DRFR300205	Disaster Resilience Builder for Business	Business Chamber Queensland	Queensland - All	The Business Chamber Queensland's Disaster Resilience Builder for Business will provide a curated pathway to build business capability. Starting with disaster readiness assessment (governance, climate risk, continuity planning, resource management,	\$3,245,798.00	\$0.00	\$921,500.00	\$4,167,298.00	

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				testing, communication, and improvement), followed by modules on risk assessment, business continuity and recovery, with supporting information, tools and coaching.					
DRFR300207	Culturally Inclusive Disaster Planning and Exercising Project	Queensland Police Service	Queensland - All	Working collaboratively with First Nations peoples on Country, the Culturally Inclusive Disaster Planning and Exercising project will scope how traditional, cultural, and local knowledge, practices, and language will be incorporated into Local Disaster Management Plans and disaster management practices. This collaboration with	\$739,000.00	\$1,505,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,244,000.00	

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						From Queensland government sources	Co Contributions from All Other Sources		
				local communities will gather and document generational knowledge.					
DRFR300210	Balonne Emergency Mobile Generators	Balonne Shire Council	Balonne	Council seeking to purchase 4 x 45kVA Generators mounted on steel trailers with changeover switches to enable community continuity during disasters which affect the power supply therefore water and sewerage. The generators will be on standby across the seven towns in our LGA. During events, when there are power outages, Council will have the ability to deliver essential services including water and sewerage through their use.	\$270,000.00	\$0.00	\$30,000.00	\$300,000.00	

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						From Queensland government sources	Co Contributions from All Other Sources		
DRFR300211	Palm Island Cyclone Shelter	Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council	Palm Island	Construct an up to 800 person cyclone shelter (to be used as an evacuation centre and/or community hall) to serve the 4,000 plus residents on Palm Island. It will improve disaster preparedness and response actions, reduce disaster risks, improve community resilience during and post disaster events, and make a substantial contribution to community safety and wellbeing.	\$14,620,000.00	\$0.00	\$2,515,000.00	\$17,135,000.00	
DRFR300288	Enhanced Flood Intelligence and Warning Systems	Townsville City Council	Townsville	This is a three-year program aimed at improving the collection, analysis, and distribution of flood intelligence. It will include upgrades to the existing flood warning infrastructure, the	\$985,000.00	\$0.00	\$985,000.00	\$1,970,000.00	

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				addition of new infrastructure, a review of mapping products based on the latest flood studies, and the implementation of automated warnings and alerts for the community.					
DRFR300301	Queensland Flood Forecast & Warning System	Transport and Main Roads	Queensland - All	A Queensland Flood Forecast and Warning System (QFFWS) will provide road authorities with advanced notification of when and how road assets and associated infrastructure will be impacted by flooding events. Additionally, the system will also calculate receding waters so that appropriate inspectors can re-open roads/bridges after inundation has occurred.	\$2,850,000.00	\$2,950,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,800,000.00	

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						From Queensland government sources	Co Contributions from All Other Sources		
DRFR300302	Resilient Construct of Mt Berryman Floodway	Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Lockyer Valley	The current floodway is at the end of life, exhibiting significant failures and becoming increasingly susceptible to damage. The new floodway will be more resilient to inundation and will be widened to "future-proof" the floodway for two-way operation.	\$575,000.00	\$0.00	\$575,000.00	\$1,150,000.00	
DRFR300328	National Get Ready	Queensland Reconstruction Authority	Tasmania - All; Queensland - All; South Australia - All; New South Wales - All; Northern Territory - All; Victoria - All; Western Australia - All	The National Get Ready Project will build preparedness for all Australians. Building on the successful Get Ready Queensland model, this project establishes the National Get Ready program as a strategic and measured approach to community preparedness in	\$8,383,989.00	\$6,982,552.00	\$12,512,648.00	\$27,879,189.00	

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				Australia. The project will deliver a National Get Ready Framework, governance, and resource sharing arrangements at a national level, but locally tailored.					

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Details of Queensland Program administration funding

Description how Queensland intends to use administration funding awarded	Cth funding (1.52 per cent of the total Commonwealth funding awarded to Queensland for projects under Round Three)	Co-contribution (from jurisdiction)	Funding conditions
	\$789,683.70	\$789,683.70	<p>Administrative funding can be used by Queensland 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 Queensland 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>Queensland 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, Queensland is required to match the administrative funding provided by the Commonwealth (either cash or in-kind).