

Queensland – Coastal and Estuarine Risk Mitigation Program

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – ENVIRONMENT

Table 1: Formalities and operation of Schedule		
Parties	Commonwealth of Australia Queensland	
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire 31 December 2025 or on completion of all projects under the Schedule.	
Purpose	This Schedule will support the delivery of projects identified through the Coastal and Estuarine Risk Mitigation Program (Program), which will help drive long term resilience and sustainability by delivering projects that mitigate the impact of disasters on communities and economies. Funding provided under this Schedule will contribute to the delivery of the following projects (Funded Projects): • Clifton Beach Coastal Protection Works • Golden Beach Coastal Hazard Mitigation and Drainage Options Analysis • Reassessment of Tidal Planes at First Nation and Other Remote Communities to Improve Coastal Hazard Risk Assessment • Investigation into the sand resource at Dayman Spit to enable protection of community assets with beach nourishment • Sunshine Coast & Noosa Regional Coastal Process Model for Improved Coastal Hazards Management • Seawall construction at Urangan to protect public infrastructure from coastal erosion • Lucinda Groyne Field Replacement Review and Design • Crab Creek Erosion Remediation, Tin Can Bay • Tsunami Risk Assessment for the Gladstone Regional Area • State-wide Nearshore Bathymetry Survey for Improved Coastal Hazard Assessment An overview of each project is provided at Attachment A.	
Estimated financial contributions	The Commonwealth will provide to Queensland an estimated total financial contribution of \$8,382,598 (GST exclusive) in respect of this Schedule (see Table 1).	
	Table 1	Total
	2022-23	
	(\$m)	
	Estimated total budget	\$11,830,881*
		\$11,830,881

	Less estimated National Partnership Payments \$8,382,598 \$8,382,598 Balance of non-Commonwealth contributions \$3,448,283 \$3,448,283** *Amounts may not add to the total due to rounding ** Includes in-kind contributions
Additional terms	Allocation of funds (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 determined through the Program, and as shown at Attachment A. Resolution of terms (2) The Commonwealth and States and Territories will work together to resolve any conflicts arising through the Bilateral Agreements, using the approach set out below. a. The <i>Federal Financial Relations Act 2009</i> and the <i>Emergency Response Fund Act 2019</i> will prevail over any Program Guidelines. b. The Emergency Response Fund Guidelines and the Coastal and Estuarine Risk Mitigation 2022-23 Program Guidelines will prevail over the Schedule, <u>except</u> for matters relating to monitoring and reporting, auditing and assurance (Part 12). c. Terms relating to monitoring and reporting, and auditing and assurance are set out in this Schedule and the Audit and Reporting Framework at Attachment B. d. Where items 2(a)-(c) are silent or unclear, guidance material published by the Commonwealth may be relied upon to clarify any inconsistencies. (3) The Parties do not intend any of the provision of this agreement to be legally enforceable. However, this does not lessen the Parties commitment to this Schedule. Implementation Plan (4) Project specific timeframes will be finalised after the commencement of this Schedule, in the form of an Implementation Plan. a. The requirements of the Implementation Plan are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework at Attachment B. (5) The Implementation Plan will be developed by Queensland and provided to the Commonwealth for approval within three months of the time this Schedule commences. Performance monitoring and reporting (6) 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, States and Territories commit to honouring the reporting obligations required by this Schedule.

	(7) The frequency and timing of reporting under this Schedule is set out at <u>Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary</u> (8) The content requirements of reporting under this Schedule are set out in the Audit and Reporting Framework at <u>Attachment B</u>. Third parties (9) In line with the Program Guidelines, States and Territories may engage a third party to support the delivery of a project under this Schedule. (10) While third parties are not signatories to this Schedule, States and Territories are solely responsible for ensuring third party compliance with the <i>Emergency Response Fund Act 2019</i>, the Emergency Response Fund Guidelines, the Coastal and Estuarine Risk Mitigation 2022-23 Program Guidelines and the terms and conditions of this Schedule. Repayment of amounts to the Commonwealth (11) If efficiencies are realised on completion of the project, funding may be put to other projects under this Program in that jurisdiction with Commonwealth approval, which approval will not be unreasonably withheld. (12) In accordance with subsection 21(4) of the Emergency Response Fund Act 2019, the Commonwealth reserves the right to recover an amount provided under this Schedule, where: a. a project cannot be delivered in line with the relevant Implementation Plan and the project cannot be appropriately scaled or varied, b. the Commonwealth and State and Territory cannot reach an agreement on how to reallocate the funds, or c. another condition of this Schedule is not met. (13) The Commonwealth will determine on a reasonable basis whether an amount should be repaid, and if so, how much should be repaid, with regard to the circumstances of each matter.
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Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary			
Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
Completion of the Coastal and/or Estuarine Risk Mitigation project/s at <u>Attachment A</u> in order to mitigate the impact of disasters on communities and economies.	Queensland agrees to and signs the Schedule.	Upon signature of the Schedule by both Parties.	\$8,382,598
	Queensland provides the Implementation Plan for all projects to the Commonwealth.	Within three months of the commencement of this Schedule.	N/A
	Queensland submits six-monthly Performance Reports on the progress of all projects against project milestones, expenditure and outcomes in the implementation plan.	Within six months of the commencement of this Schedule and then six monthly until all projects under the Schedule are complete.	N/A
	Queensland submits the Final Report for each project, detailing outcomes and outputs, including an acquittal summary and financial statement.	No later than three months from the date that each project is completed.	N/A
	Queensland submits an Audit Report for each project completed by the State appointed auditor. Where more than one project has been completed within the same financial year, the State appointed auditor may report on projects completed within that financial year within a single report.	No later than six months from the end of the financial year in which the project was completed.	N/A
	Queensland submits an ad hoc report, an update on funded projects and/or a financial declaration.	As requested by the Commonwealth.	N/A

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

Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth
of Australia by



Senator the Honourable Murray Watt
Minister for Emergency Management

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Signed for and on behalf of the State of
Queensland by



The Hon Meaghan Seaton MP
~~Leanne Linard~~
Minister for the Environment and the Great Barrier
Reef and Minister for Science and ~~Youth Affairs~~ **Multicultural Affairs**

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Attachment A

Details of Queensland Funded Projects

#	Project Name	Project Description	Commonwealth funding	Financial Contribution by Queensland
1	Clifton Beach Coastal Protection Works	This project will deliver stabilisation of approximately 890m of coastline to mitigate long-term coastal retreat and improve resilience to storm erosion.	\$ 1,037,000	\$ 900,000
2	Golden Beach Coastal Hazard Mitigation and Drainage Options Analysis	This project will support the delivery of the Sunshine Coast Council's Coastal Hazard Adaptation Strategy to combat risks around the region's changed tidal dynamics.	\$419,800	\$143,600
3	Reassessment of Tidal Planes at First Nation and Other Remote Communities to Improve Coastal Hazard Risk Assessment	This project will improve the accuracy of tidal levels for 10 remote locations where information is inadequate or non-existent.	\$197,423	\$65,808
4	Investigation into the sand resource at Dayman Spit to enable protection of community assets with beach nourishment	This project will support investigations, planning and design to enable Council to identify location and seek permits to source sand from Dayman Spit and underlake large-scale beach nourishment for erosion protection of this developed coast.	\$243,000	\$81,000
5	Sunshine Coast & Noosa Regional Coastal Process Model for Improved Coastal Hazards Management	This project aims to develop a regional coastal process model to help improve understandings of coastal hazard impacts on beaches, and the effect of different management options that	\$315,750	\$168,000

		improve resilience.		
6	Seawall construction at Urangan to protect public infrastructure from coastal erosion	The project will deliver protection from the ongoing sea erosion occurring at Urangan on the Fraser coast	\$2,430,000	\$810,000
7	Lucinda Groyne Field Replacement Review and Design	This project will replace the sand trapping groynes originally installed to control sea erosion.	\$93,375	\$31,125
8	Crab Creek Erosion Remediation, Tin Can Bay	The project will involve construction of a revetment to halt erosion and reduce risk to assets in the Crab Creek recreational area at Tin Can Bay.	\$146,250	\$48,750
9	Tsunami Risk Assessment for the Gladstone Regional Area	This project will undertake tsunami inundation modelling for the Gladstone Region, which is amongst the top 10 most at-risk locations for tsunami in Queensland.	\$300,000	\$100,000
10	State-wide Nearshore Bathymetry Survey for Improved Coastal Hazard Assessment	This project will capture high-resolution nearshore bathymetry and near coast land levels along developed sections of the Queensland coast, significantly improving State and Local Council ability to risk assess coastal hazards.	\$3,200,000	\$1,100,000
	Program Administration Costs	5% of total project cost. To be retained by DES for delivery of program.	\$419,130	
Total funding			\$8,382,598	\$3,448,283