

Disaster Ready Fund: Round Three, 2025-26

Introduction

The Disaster Ready Fund (DRF) is the Australian Government's flagship disaster resilience and risk reduction initiative, which delivers up to \$200 million of Commonwealth funding annually from 1 July 2023 to establish a comprehensive set of disaster resilience and mitigation projects across Australia, in partnership with Australian state, territory and local governments. The DRF will run over five years from 2023-24 to 2027-28.

DRF applicants must apply to the lead agency of each state/territory. Emergency Management Victoria (EMV) has been nominated by the Australian Government as the lead agency responsible for coordinating the overarching Victorian application to the DRF.

The primary objectives of the DRF are to:

- 1.increase the understanding of natural hazard disaster impacts, as a first step towards reducing disaster impacts in the future;
- 2.increase the resilience, adaptive capacity and/or preparedness of governments, community service organisations and affected communities to minimise the potential impact of natural hazards and avert disasters; and
- 3.reduce the exposure to risk, harm and/or severity of a natural hazard's impacts, including reducing the recovery burden for governments and vulnerable and/or affected communities.

Round Three is open for applications until Wednesday 2 April 2025.

More information on the DRF is available at Emergency Management Victoria's (EMV's) [DRF web page](#) and at the National Emergency Management Agency's (NEMA's) [DRF web page](#).

It is essential that you read the **Victorian Application Guide for the Disaster Ready Fund: Round Three, 2025-26** in conjunction with the [Australian Government Disaster Ready Fund Round Three 2025-26 Guidelines](#), which detail the funding, requirements and eligibility criteria for the program. Applicants should note that the Australian Government has introduced a range of key changes for Round Three, which are detailed in both of the aforementioned documents.

Submission process

- Closing date for submissions is **5pm, Wednesday 2 April 2025**.
- Late submissions will not be accepted.
- Proposals will only be accepted by submitting this form.
- All questions marked with an asterisk must be completed to enable this form to be submitted.
- Depending on the nature of the project, you may not need to respond to all questions in the submission form.
- Once you have completed the form you must select the 'Review and Submit' tab.
- Due to the limited time allowed for the state review process, it is strongly recommended that all applicants rigorously review their application for accuracy, eligibility and completeness prior to submission.
- When you have finalised your submission and all the required fields have been completed, select the 'Submit' tab at the top of the form to submit your proposal.

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- Upon submission of your proposal, you will receive an email confirmation and a copy of your proposal for your records.

If you do not receive the confirmation email, please contact EMV's Disaster Ready Fund team at drf@emv.vic.gov.au

Mandatory attachments and supporting evidence

There are a number of instances throughout the application form where you may be asked to provide evidence to support your response.

For all supporting documents provided throughout the application (both those identified as mandatory attachments and those optional), the amount of detail provided should be commensurate with the project size, complexity and grant amount requested (e.g. greater detail would be expected in the business case and budget for a \$5 million project compared with a \$250,000 project).

Please note that failure to provide any mandatory information and attachment may result in an application being ruled ineligible (e.g. if evidence of entity type is not provided) or be taken into account in assessing an application (e.g. if evidence of consultation or partner support is missing in circumstances where they are required).

(Maximum size limit per file is 10MB. Supported file formats include PDF, doc, docx and xlsx.)

Need help?

Contact EMV's Disaster Ready Fund team at drf@emv.vic.gov.au

Applicant Details

* indicates a required field

Applicant Organisation name *

Organisation Name

Maximum 10 words.

In order to be eligible to apply, your organisation must meet the eligibility criteria detailed in the Victorian Application Guide: DRF Round Three 2025-26. This includes (but is not limited to) requirements that your organisation must either:

- have an ABN; or
- be a First Nations organisation as defined in the Glossary of the DRF Round Three Guidelines; or
- be a not-for-profit organisation as defined in the Glossary of the DRF Round Three Guidelines.

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First Nations organisations or not-for-profit organisations that already have an ABN must provide an ABN. There are additional evidence requirements that apply for First Nations organisations and not-for-profit organisations.

Does your organisation have an ABN? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Please indicate which of the below categories your organisation falls under. *

- ☐ First Nations organisation
- ☐ Not-for-profit organisation
- ☐ Neither of the above

Refer to the DRF Round Three Guideline Glossary for definitions of First Nations organisations and not-for-profit organisations before selecting either of these options.

Please indicate which of the below applicant types your organisation falls under *

- ☐ Commercial enterprise or business
- ☐ Community organisation
- ☐ Disability provider
- ☐ Diversity organisation
- ☐ Local Government body
- ☐ Non-government organisation (NGO)
- ☐ Registered charity
- ☐ Research and/or academic body
- ☐ Service provider
- ☐ Social enterprise
- ☐ State/Territory Government body

You have indicated that your organisation does not have an ABN and is not a First Nations organisation or not-for-profit organisation as defined in the DRF Round Three Guidelines. All applicants must have an ABN, except First Nations organisations and not-for-profits. This means that your application will be **ineligible**. Please register for an ABN before submitting your application.

Please provide your organisation's ABN *

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity name	
ABN status	
Entity type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	

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ATO Charity Type [More information](#)

ACNC Registration

Tax Concessions

Main business location

Must be an ABN.

Evidence of your organisation's ABN is required.

Please attach your organisation's [ABN confirmation advice or an extract of your organisation's ABN details](#) from [ABN Lookup](#) as an attachment below.

ABN confirmation advice or an extract of your organisation's ABN details *

Attach a file:

Maximum file size of 10MB.

First Nations Applicants - Evidence

What evidence are you providing to confirm your status as an eligible First Nations Organisation? *

- ☐ Indigenous Corporation Number (ICN)
- ☐ Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) registration
- ☐ Declaration that the applicant is a Traditional Owner
- ☐ Declaration that your organisation is at least 51 per cent owned or controlled by Indigenous persons
- ☐ Declaration that the Indigenous Enterprise has 50 per cent Indigenous Ownership

Select one only

If selecting Indigenous Corporation Number (ICN) for the previous question, please enter your ICN here: *

If selecting *Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) registration* for the previous question, please provide evidence of registration as an attachment below.

ORIC registration *

Attach a file:

Maximum file size is 10MB.

If selecting one of the *declaration* options for the previous question, please upload the relevant declaration below.

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Declaration *

Attach a file:

Maximum file size is 10MB.

Not-For-Profit organisation applicants - evidence

What evidence are you providing to confirm your status as an eligible not-for-profit organisation? *

- ☐ Current Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) registration
- ☐ Constitutional documents and/or Articles of Association that demonstrate the not-for-profit character of the organisation

Please upload the evidence you have selected in the previous question.

Evidence of status as an eligible not-for-profit organisation *

Attach a file:

Local government applicants only

Please select if your council is: *

- ☐ A very remote or remote council listed at Appendix A to the DRF Round Three Guidelines
- ☐ A low rate-based council listed at Appendix B to the DRF Round Three Guidelines
- ☐ Neither of the above

Applicant contact

Applicant Contact *

Title First Name Last Name

<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
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Applicant Position *

Applicant Primary Address *

Address

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

Must be a street address, not a PO Box, building name, etc.

Applicant Postal Address *

Address

<input type="text"/>
<input type="text"/>

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If different from primary address.

Applicant Primary Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Applicant Primary Email *

Project Summary

* indicates a required field

Project title

Project/Application Title *

Word count:

Must be no more than 15 words.

The title must not include acronyms and should be short, concise and easily understood by the community and the Assessment Panels. The title will also be used for public announcements, should the application be successful.

Project description

Please provide a succinct summary of the project activities and expected outcomes below. The description should commence with the project title, clearly state the nature of the project, and outline how the project will build knowledge, enhance resilience or preparedness, and/or mitigate risk for the target community.

Brief Project Description *

Word count:

Must be no more than 70 words.

This description should be written clearly and without jargon and should not include acronyms. It will be published to the general public if the project application is successful.

Choose the relevant hazard type(s) being targeted *

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bushfire | <input type="checkbox"/> Marine (including tsunamis) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flood | <input type="checkbox"/> Heatwave (Terrestrial) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cyclone | <input type="checkbox"/> Heatwave (Marine) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Thunderstorm | <input type="checkbox"/> Extreme cold |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Precipitation related (excluding drought) | <input type="checkbox"/> Air quality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wind related | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental degradation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Earthquake | <input type="checkbox"/> Volcanic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Landslide | <input type="checkbox"/> Space weather |

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☐ Geohazard

☐ Other:

Select all that apply. If selecting other, please specify the other hazard(s) using no more than 20 words. Drought, biological and virological (including biosecurity) hazards, and cyber-attacks are ineligible.

Is the project specifically targeting any of the following groups? *

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Australian Government | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Governments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community group/non-profit | <input type="checkbox"/> Schools (Primary and High Schools) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early childhood education and care services | <input type="checkbox"/> Service Providers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency responders | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Businesses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Families | <input type="checkbox"/> State and Territory Governments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Farmers | <input type="checkbox"/> Students |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Home owners | <input type="checkbox"/> Universities and research institutions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals | |

Select only if applicable. Leave blank if the project is intended to benefit the general population.

Does the project seek to specifically benefit a targeted population sub-group? *

- ☐ Yes ☐ No

If answering yes to the previous question, list any population sub-groups that the project will specifically benefit. *

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> First Nations | <input type="checkbox"/> People from the LGBTQIA+ community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children (aged <15 years) | <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals experiencing domestic and family violence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors (65+ years) | <input type="checkbox"/> Individuals experiencing homelessness, unemployment or poverty |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth (15-24 years) | <input type="checkbox"/> People with a disability |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Women | <input type="checkbox"/> People living with a mental health condition |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Culturally and Linguistically Diverse | <input type="checkbox"/> People living in regional, rural or remote locations |

Select any that apply. Leave blank if the project is intended to benefit the general population.

Estimated size of the target population group(s), including any sub-groups, that are expected to directly benefit from the project. *

- ☐ 0-100 people
☐ 101-1,000 people
☐ 1,001-10,000 people
☐ 10,001-100,000 people
☐ 100,001-500,000 people
☐ 500,001-1,000,000 people
☐ 1,000,001-5,000,000 people
☐ >5,000,000 people

Does the project involve a service offering to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people? *

- ☐ Yes - if yes, you must demonstrate how the project will ensure cultural safety in line with Closing the Gap requirements as part of your response to assessment criterion 3.
☐ No

Project duration

Please select the option that reflects the project duration. If the duration is less or more than a full year, round up rather than down (e.g., if a project is expected to take 16 months, select 'up to 2 years'). Your response should consider the time needed to complete and submit a final report to EMV and the time required to hire any required staff, procure services or undertake community consultation.

Project Duration *

- ☐ up to 1 year
- ☐ up to 2 years
- ☐ up to 3 years
- ☐ up to 4 years
(infrastructure projects only)
- ☐ up to 5 years
(infrastructure projects only)

Please provide the expected project duration below in months rather than years. For example, if you selected 'up to 2 years' above because you expect the project to be 16 months, enter '16' below.

Project duration in months *

Your response should consider the time needed to complete and submit a final report to EMV and the time required to hire any required staff, procure services or undertake community consultation.

Delivery Partners

Will you be partnering with any other organisations, community groups or individuals on this project? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Please list any third parties (delivery partners) who will be contributing to the delivery of the project either financially or in-kind. You will need to supply a letter from each organisation to your organisation outlining their involvement, support, resources, experience or expertise and co-contributions committed to the project. All letters require endorsement from the organisations' CEO or equivalent. Please use the [template letter of support](#) that has been provided by NEMA for this purpose.

Partner Organisation	Delivery Partner Type	Role in project	Letter of support
			Please use the template letter of support that is linked above.

Publishing Delivery Partners

If this application is successful, the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) will publish the identity of the Applicant, the project title, the project description and the amount

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of funding awarded. NEMA may also publish the names of any Delivery Partners, unless requested not to.

If this application is successful, do you consent to have the names of delivery partners published by NEMA? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Project classification

* indicates a required field

Project domains

Select one primary domain that best aligns with the project. *

- ☐ Built - Those human-made assets that underpin the functioning of a community.
- ☐ Economic - The system whereby the affected community's material and service needs are met through appropriate labour and employment, business development, land use, financial resources, and interaction with the broader economy.
- ☐ Natural - Encompasses the natural and cultural resources of the community
- ☐ Social - The relationships connected by networks of communication.

Examples of each domain can be found in the Victorian Application Guide or DRF Round Three Guidelines.

Select any additional domain(s) that the project relates to, if applicable.

- ☐ Built - Those human-made assets that underpin the functioning of a community.
- ☐ Economic - The system whereby the affected community's material and service needs are met through appropriate labour and employment, business development, land use, financial resources, and interaction with the broader economy.
- ☐ Natural - Encompasses the natural and cultural resources of the community
- ☐ Social - The relationships connected by networks of communication.

Leave blank if no additional domains apply. Examples of each domain can be found in the Victorian Application Guide or DRF Round Three Guidelines.

Project activity types

Select one activity type that best aligns with the project. Prior to selecting the activity type, please confirm that the project activities align with the relevant definition/description and examples included in the DRF Round Three Guidelines.

Social projects that do not involve investment in infrastructure as defined in the Guidelines (e.g. projects focused purely on service delivery or networks) are not classed as social infrastructure but may be eligible under other non-infrastructure activity types.

Primary activity type *

- ☐ Infrastructure: Investment in grey infrastructure
- ☐ Infrastructure: investment in green-blue infrastructure
- ☐ Infrastructure: investment in social infrastructure
- ☐ Infrastructure: investment in hazard monitoring infrastructure
- ☐ Development of business cases and/or feasibility studies for future infrastructure

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- ☐ Projects that support a better understanding of risk to understand and raise awareness of risk
- ☐ Projects that deliver risk reduction plans to mitigate identified risks and impacts
- ☐ Projects that strengthen representational and inclusive decision making
- ☐ Adaptation projects that improve land use planning and development practices
- ☐ Projects that build capacity and capability to improve preparedness and resilience
- ☐ Projects that enable and incentivise private investment in disaster risk reduction

Select the project's primary activity type

If applicable, select any additional (secondary) project activity type(s) that align with your project.

- ☐ Infrastructure: investment in grey infrastructure
- ☐ Infrastructure: investment in green-blue infrastructure
- ☐ Infrastructure: investment in social infrastructure
- ☐ Infrastructure: investment in hazard monitoring infrastructure
- ☐ Development of business cases and/or feasibility studies for future infrastructure
- ☐ Projects that support a better understanding of risk to understand and raise awareness of risk
- ☐ Projects that deliver risk reduction plans to mitigate identified risks and impacts
- ☐ Projects that strengthen representational and inclusive decision making
- ☐ Adaptation projects that improve land use planning and development practices
- ☐ Projects that build capacity and capability to improve preparedness and resilience
- ☐ Projects that enable and incentivise private investment in disaster risk reduction

Select any appropriate secondary activity type(s). The secondary stream activity type(s) should not be the same as your primary stream activity type. Leave blank if no additional activity types apply.

DRF objective(s)

Select one or more DRF objectives that the project will contribute to *

- ☐ Knowledge - increase the understanding of natural disaster impacts, as a first step towards reducing the risk of future natural disaster impacts
- ☐ Resilience - increase the resilience, adaptive capacity and/or preparedness of governments, community service organisations and affected communities to future natural disasters to minimise the potential impact of natural hazards and reduce the risk of future natural disasters
- ☐ Mitigation and Prevention - reduce the exposure to risk, harm and/or severity of a future natural disaster's impacts, including reducing the recovery burden for governments, cohorts at disproportionate risk, and/or affected communities

Second National Action Plan alignment

Identify any national actions that the project aligns with, if/where applicable, from the priorities of the [Second National Action Plan to implement the National Disaster Risk Reduction Framework](#). Demonstration of alignment to the Second National Action Plan is a key consideration for assessment.

Priority 1: Understand Disaster Risk

- ☐ 1. Create consistent, accessible information, tools, guidance and programs to help everyone better understand their disaster risk and responsibilities, prepare risk mitigation plans and take appropriate action to manage their risks.

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- ☐ 2. Improve disclosure of disaster risk across all stakeholders to support a shared understanding of risk and the development of hazard risk mitigation plans.
- ☐ 3. Collaborate to harmonise and improve how data, information and research is produced, shared, tailored and used to inform effective approaches to risk reduction.
- ☐ 4. Build evidence, intelligence and insights by integrating local knowledge and lived experience, including traditional knowledge, to inform effective decisions.
- ☐ 5. Facilitate continuous improvement through monitoring and evaluating risk reduction activities and sharing lessons

Select all that apply. Leave blank if none apply.

Priority 2: Accountable Decisions

- ☐ 6. Create hazard mitigation plans and scale across different levels, from individual and household plans, through to community, regional, state and national plans.
- ☐ 7. Strengthen risk-informed decision-making across all systems to address disaster risk and deliver co-benefits.
- ☐ 8. Strengthen risk-informed land-use planning, building control systems and settlement decisions to minimise the creation of new risk and address legacy risk.
- ☐ 9. Incorporate a range of community values into decision-making processes that acknowledge the broader benefits achievable through inclusive disaster risk reduction.
- ☐ 10. Enable and equip decision-makers to make adaptive and agile decisions when faced with imperfect information, and in a changing risk environment
- ☐ 11. Strengthen the capability and capacity of individuals and communities to become leaders and make informed risk reduction decisions relevant to their local contexts.
- ☐ 12. Facilitate greater emergency management sector professionalisation, capability and participation, including volunteerism.

Select all that apply. Leave blank if none apply.

Priority 3: Enhanced Investment

- ☐ 13. Align investment decisions with hazard risk mitigation plans and strategies at local, state, regional and national levels.
- ☐ 14. Explicitly consider future disaster risk and betterment in investment decisions for disaster-specific and other funding streams.
- ☐ 15. Create mechanisms for innovation, valuing resilience beyond avoided costs and showcase project results which demonstrate effective outcomes.
- ☐ 16. Provide the environment for sustainable funding and consistent policy settings and processes to encourage the development of pipelines of investment for disaster risk reduction projects.
- ☐ 17. Pursue innovative finance models for risk reduction initiatives, including through co-investment and public-private partnerships, to encourage greater funds towards resilience outcomes.
- ☐ 18. Enable greater integration of disaster risk reduction into the financial system by exploring cooperation, optimising policy, regulatory frameworks, standards and guidance.

Select all that apply. Leave blank if none apply.

Priority 4: Governance, Ownership and Responsibility

- ☐ 19. Create spaces, opportunities and governance arrangements for inclusive and diverse community representation, participation and access to the disaster management system.
- ☐ 20. Form and encourage meaningful partnerships and support place-based, community-led, locally-implemented, regionally coordinated approaches to disaster risk reduction, which ensure equity and inclusion across the system.
- ☐ 21. Better align recovery and resilience activities, governance, funding, policy and processes to support betterment and long-term disaster risk reduction.
- ☐ 22. Understand barriers and disincentives to risk reduction to ensure all in Australian society are empowered to exercise choice to reduce risk without disadvantage.

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- ☐ 23. Strengthen mechanisms to improve cooperation and further support devolved disaster risk reduction planning and management at local and risk-appropriate regional levels.
- ☐ 24. Better align disaster risk and related disciplines which result in similar local impacts, particularly physical climate risk mitigation and adaptation and drought, to simplify and streamline governance, plans and effort.
- Select all that apply. Leave blank if none apply.

Project Location

* indicates a required field

Select one option that best describes the spatial area of the project. *

- ☐ Town/City (primarily based in one Victorian town/city)
- ☐ Local Government Area (LGA) (based in one Victorian LGA)
- ☐ Multi-LGA (based in multiple Victorian LGAs)
- ☐ Statewide (Victoria-wide)
- ☐ Multi-jurisdictional (based in Victoria and one or more other, but not all, states and territories)
- ☐ National (all states and territories)

Select one option. Applicants seeking to submit a multi-jurisdictional proposal which includes Victoria or a national proposal must engage EMV before submitting their application: drf@emv.vic.gov.au.

Multi-jurisdictional or national project delivery locations

Select the state or territory where your multijurisdictional or national project will be principally delivered *

- ☐ Victoria
- ☐ Australian Capital Territory
- ☐ New South Wales
- ☐ Northern Territory
- ☐ Queensland
- ☐ South Australia
- ☐ Tasmania
- ☐ Western Australia
- ☐ Christmas Island
- ☐ Cocos (Keeling) Islands

Select the state or territory that stands to benefit most from the project or, where states and territories stand to benefit equally from a project, select the state or territory of the coordinating Lead Agency. Other states and territories where the project will be delivered can be entered in the next question.

Select other states and territories where your multijurisdictional or national project will be delivered *

- ☐ Victoria
- ☐ Australian Capital Territory
- ☐ New South Wales
- ☐ Northern Territory
- ☐ Queensland
- ☐ South Australia
- ☐ Tasmania
- ☐ Western Australia

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- ☐ Christmas Island
- ☐ Cocos (Keeling) Islands

Indicate any other state(s) or territory(ies) where the project will be delivered. Do not include/repeat the state or territory selected in the previous question.

Local Government Area(s)

Please list all LGA(s) the project will be delivered within in Victoria.

If your project is a multijurisdictional or national project, please also list all relevant LGAs for all applicable jurisdictions or, if the project will be delivered across all LGAs in the selected state(s) and territory(ies), enter 'All'.

For assistance identifying LGA boundaries and names, we recommend using the [ABS Maps tool](#) with the 2023 Local Government Area boundary type applied.

Victoria *

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|---|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> All | <input type="checkbox"/> Gannawarra | <input type="checkbox"/> Mansfield | <input type="checkbox"/> Queenscliffe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alpine | <input type="checkbox"/> Glen Eira | <input type="checkbox"/> Maribyrnong | <input type="checkbox"/> South Gippsland |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ararat | <input type="checkbox"/> Glenelg | <input type="checkbox"/> Maroondah | <input type="checkbox"/> Southern |
| | | | Grampians |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ballarat | <input type="checkbox"/> Golden Plains | <input type="checkbox"/> Melbourne | <input type="checkbox"/> Stonnington |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Banyule | <input type="checkbox"/> Greater Bendigo | <input type="checkbox"/> Melton | <input type="checkbox"/> Strathbogie |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bass Coast | <input type="checkbox"/> Greater Dandenong | <input type="checkbox"/> Merri-bek | <input type="checkbox"/> Surf Coast |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baw Baw | <input type="checkbox"/> Greater Geelong | <input type="checkbox"/> Mildura | <input type="checkbox"/> Swan Hill |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bayside (Vic.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Greater Shepparton | <input type="checkbox"/> Mitchell | <input type="checkbox"/> Towong |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Benalla | <input type="checkbox"/> Hepburn | <input type="checkbox"/> Moira | <input type="checkbox"/> Wangaratta |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Boroondara | <input type="checkbox"/> Hindmarsh | <input type="checkbox"/> Monash | <input type="checkbox"/> Warrnambool |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brimbank | <input type="checkbox"/> Hobsons Bay | <input type="checkbox"/> Moonee Valley | <input type="checkbox"/> Wellington |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Buloke | <input type="checkbox"/> Horsham | <input type="checkbox"/> Moorabool | <input type="checkbox"/> West Wimmera |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Campaspe | <input type="checkbox"/> Hume | <input type="checkbox"/> Mornington | <input type="checkbox"/> Whitehorse |
| | | Peninsula | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cardinia | <input type="checkbox"/> Indigo | <input type="checkbox"/> Mount Alexander | <input type="checkbox"/> Whittlesea |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Casey | <input type="checkbox"/> Kingston (Vic.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Moyne | <input type="checkbox"/> Wodonga |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Central Goldfields | <input type="checkbox"/> Knox | <input type="checkbox"/> Murrindindi | <input type="checkbox"/> Wyndham |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Colac Otway | <input type="checkbox"/> Latrobe (Vic.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Nillumbik | <input type="checkbox"/> Yarra |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corangamite | <input type="checkbox"/> Loddon | <input type="checkbox"/> Northern | <input type="checkbox"/> Yarra Ranges |
| | | Grampians | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Darebin | <input type="checkbox"/> Macedon Ranges | <input type="checkbox"/> Port Phillip | <input type="checkbox"/> Yarriambiack |
| <input type="checkbox"/> East Gippsland | <input type="checkbox"/> Manningham | <input type="checkbox"/> Pyrenees | <input type="checkbox"/> Unincorporated Vic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Frankston | | | |

Select all that apply.

Australian Capital Territory *

- ☐ Unincorporated ACT

New South Wales *

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|---------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> All | <input type="checkbox"/> Coonamble | <input type="checkbox"/> Lane Cove | <input type="checkbox"/> Ryde |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Albury | <input type="checkbox"/> Cootamundra-Gundagai | <input type="checkbox"/> Leeton | <input type="checkbox"/> Shellharbour |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Armidale | <input type="checkbox"/> Cowra | <input type="checkbox"/> Lismore | <input type="checkbox"/> Shoalhaven |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ballina | <input type="checkbox"/> Cumberland | <input type="checkbox"/> Lithgow | <input type="checkbox"/> Singleton |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Balranald | <input type="checkbox"/> Dubbo | <input type="checkbox"/> Liverpool | <input type="checkbox"/> Snowy Monaro |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bathurst | <input type="checkbox"/> Dungog | <input type="checkbox"/> Liverpool Plains | <input type="checkbox"/> Snowy Valleys |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bayside (NSW) | <input type="checkbox"/> Edward River | <input type="checkbox"/> Lockhart | <input type="checkbox"/> Strathfield |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bega Valley | <input type="checkbox"/> Eurobodalla | <input type="checkbox"/> Maitland | <input type="checkbox"/> Sutherland |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bellingen | <input type="checkbox"/> Fairfield | <input type="checkbox"/> Mid-Coast | <input type="checkbox"/> Sydney |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Berrigan | <input type="checkbox"/> Federation | <input type="checkbox"/> Mid-Western | <input type="checkbox"/> Tamworth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blacktown | <input type="checkbox"/> Forbes | <input type="checkbox"/> Moree Plains | <input type="checkbox"/> Temora |
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Tasmania *

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Select all that apply.

Queensland *

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Western Australia *

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Select all that apply.

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Christmas Island *

☐ Christmas Island

Cocos (Keeling) Islands *

☐ Cocos Islands

Site address(es)

Provide a valid street address where your project will be undertaken - e.g. site where infrastructure will be built or service will be delivered.

If you have multiple sites, add additional rows and enter the address of each site.

If the project delivery location(s) do not correspond with specific street addresses (e.g. project will span a region or be delivered at a remote location), enter the nearest valid street address(es) or an address from where the project will be coordinated and provide additional location details in the next questions.

A site address **must** be a street address; **do not** provide a postal address, institution or building name.

Valid street address, suburb/town, state/territory & postcode

If the site address(es) above do not accurately reflect the location(s) where the project will be delivered, please provide additional details to accurately describe the location(s) where the project will be delivered. This may include, for example, the latitude and longitude of the activity site/s.

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Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

Additional evidence requirements for multi-jurisdictional/national projects

Multi-jurisdictional or national projects are required to provide confirmation in writing from the Lead Agencies in relevant states and territories that they have no objections in principle to the project being implemented in their jurisdictions.

NEMA has provided a [template letter](#) which should be used for this process.

Confirmation in writing from relevant Lead Agencies *

Attach a file:

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A maximum of 1 file may be attached.

Project Logic

* indicates a required field

The Project Logic sets out the rationale behind the project proposal. This information will be used during the review/assessment of the application and may be used to communicate how and why you are delivering the project.

Issue

Describe the underlying problem that the project is seeking to address. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Solution/Goal

Explain how the project intends to address the problem/issue outlined above. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Inputs

Advise what resources will be allocated towards the successful implementation of the project if it is approved to receive Commonwealth funding. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

Consider the following resources; People and staffing; funding; time; knowledge; networks; places and spaces; equipment; partner organisations and groups.

Outputs

Describe the project outputs. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

Ensure that when you are describing your outputs, you do not confuse these with the outcomes (the changes that were caused) once your project has been completed. Outputs are those tangible items that will be produced through the project (e.g. Reports, plans, resources, works, workshops).

Short to Medium-Term Outcomes

Describe what outcomes will be achieved upon the successful completion of your project. Outcomes are best described as the changes or differences that have been achieved once the project has been successfully implemented. Short-term outcomes could include changes in skill, knowledge, attitude, awareness and motivation and would occur upon the completion of the project. Medium-term outcomes could include changes to behaviours, practices, systems or the application of skills and knowledge but may generally take some time to fully develop and take effect.

Describe the short and medium-term outcomes that will be achieved once your activities are completed. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

Outcomes are best described as the changes or differences that have been achieved once the project has been successfully implemented.

Long-term Outcomes

Describe any long-term outcomes that will result once the project has been completed. This response should link to your solution/goal statement and resolve the problem identified in your issue statement. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

Assumptions

Describe any assumptions made that could impact the successful completion of the project. This could include assumptions regarding participants, timings, engagement with delivery partners or other unrelated entities or individuals or activities. Provide some detail as to how and why they will be needed to be taken into account in order to successfully implement the project.

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Describe any assumptions made that could impact the successful completion of the project. *

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External factors

Describe any elements or factors that are outside of your control but could influence the project delivery or outcomes derived from the project. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

This could include political, social, cultural or geographic elements or environments.

Relevant risk assessment and/or risk reduction or adaptation plans

Identify any risk assessments and/or disaster risk reduction or adaptation plans that underpin or otherwise relate to the project *

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

Project Consultations

* indicates a required field

If the project is place-based, has it been developed in consultation with local government(s) and/or affected communities, including First Nations stakeholders? *

- ☐ Not applicable (i.e., not a place-based project)
- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No (not developed in consultation with affected communities)

If selecting 'yes' to the above question, please provide, as an attachment, evidence of consultations with local government(s) and/or affected communities, including First Nations stakeholders. This should include who has been consulted, their level of support for the proposal, any significant issues or objections that have arisen during stakeholder

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consultations, and how the Applicant intends to address any residual issues/objections if awarded DRF funding.

Evidence of place-based consultations *

Attach a file:

If selecting 'no' to the above question, please provide, as an attachment, compelling reasons for not consulting with local government(s) and/or affected communities, including First Nations stakeholders.

Place-based project - compelling reasons for not consulting *

Attach a file:

Irrespective of whether the project is place-based, if the particular interests of First Nations communities are affected by a proposed project (i.e. in ways not felt by the general population), has the project been developed in consultation with those communities? *

- ☐ Not applicable (i.e. particular interests of First Nations communities not affected)
- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No (not developed in consultation with affected communities)

If selecting 'yes' to the above question, please provide, as an attachment, evidence of consultations with affected First Nations communities. This should include who has been consulted, their level of support for the proposal, any significant issues or objections that have arisen during stakeholder consultations, and how the Applicant intends to address any residual issues/objections if awarded DRF funding.

Evidence of affected First Nations communities consultations *

Attach a file:

If selecting 'no' to the above question, please provide, as an attachment, compelling reasons for not consulting with affected First Nations communities.

Compelling reasons for not consulting with affected First Nations communities *

Attach a file:

Responses to Assessment Criteria

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The Disaster Ready Fund Round Three assessment criteria has a renewed focus on applications being risk-informed and aligned to existing national and Victorian disaster risk reduction plans. Applications must address all aspects of the following assessment criteria to be considered for Australian Government funding. It is essential that evidence and strong justification is provided to support each point.

If submitting additional (optional) attachments to support your responses, please ensure that you reference these in your responses and identify the documents.

Response to Assessment Criterion One - Contribution to disaster risk reduction, resilience and/or knowledge (weighted 40 per cent)

Your response **must** demonstrate how the project reduces disaster risk, increases resilience, adaptive capacity and/or preparedness to disaster risk, and/or contributes to understanding of disaster risk.

This must include, at a minimum, statements addressing the following:

- the natural hazard/s the project is addressing, current and future risks posed to the target community (including consideration of climate change impacts) and how these have been assessed, or if there is limited or no existing hazard or risk information, how the project funding will contribute to increasing understanding of the hazard, level of risk and potential future disaster impacts.
 - In Victoria, this will involve drawing on material from documents such as [Emergency Risks in Victoria](#) (state risk assessments), Regional Emergency Risk Assessments detailed in [Regional Emergency Management Plans](#) (regional risk assessment), [Community Emergency Risk Assessments](#) (local risk assessments).
- the benefits the project will deliver for the community during and beyond the term of funding, including the estimated level/s of disaster risk, resilience, and/or understanding prior to and upon conclusion of the proposed project, along with any enduring benefits (as defined in the Glossary)
- how the project will avoid and manage the potential for maladaptation, including any unintentionally negative social, environmental or economic outcomes, and
- for infrastructure projects, how climate change may impact the investment over its intended lifespan, and how these risks will or may be mitigated.

In addition:

- if the project seeks to improve understanding of natural hazards and disaster risk, the project application must outline how the new hazard and risk information will be shared with affected communities
- if there are potential co-benefits associated with the project (i.e. benefits that go beyond intended risk reduction, resilience and knowledge outcomes, such as reduced insurance costs), the project application should detail the co-benefits and outline the basis on which they have been determined/estimated

The evidence provided to support this may include, but is not limited to:

- disaster risk data and modelling
- assessments by relevant experts or industry bodies
- insurance impact estimates and/or detailed engineering specifications to help with assessing any insurance co-benefits.

Response to Criterion One *

Word count:

Must be no more than 750 words.

Response to Assessment Criterion Two – Alignment with national and state/territory/local disaster resilience and risk reduction plans, strategies and frameworks (weighted 30 per cent)

Your response **must** at a minimum include:

- how the project meets the DRF objectives and aligns with one or more of the priorities, outcomes and/or national actions identified in the [Second National Action Plan to implement the National Disaster Risk Reduction Framework](#), and
- how the project aligns with and/or supports delivery of any existing state, territory, local government or community disaster risk reduction or adaptation plans, policies or frameworks, or how the project will develop or contribute to development of these policies, plans or frameworks where they do not currently exist.

The evidence provided to support this may include, but is not limited to:

- relevant state, territory or local plans, policies or frameworks
 - In Victoria, this will involve demonstrating alignment to disaster risk reduction plans/policies/frameworks, such as:
 - [Victorian Emergency Management Strategic Roadmap 2022-28 | Emergency Management Victoria \(emv.vic.gov.au\)](#)
 - [EM Sector Outcomes Framework \(emv.vic.gov.au\)](#)
 - [Victorian Floodplain Management Strategy](#)
 - [State Emergency Management Plan \(SEMP\)](#)
 - [Regional Emergency Management Plans \(REMPs\) including sub-plans | Emergency Management Victoria \(emv.vic.gov.au\)](#)
 - [Municipal Emergency Management Plans \(including MEMP sub-plans\)](#)
 - [Adaptation Action Plans \(climatechange.vic.gov.au\)](#)
 - [Strategy for Aboriginal Community-led Recovery](#)
 - [Marine and Coastal Strategy 2022.](#)

Response to Criterion Two *

Word count:

Must be no more than 750 words.

Response to Assessment Criterion Three – Capacity, capability and resources to deliver the project (weighted 30 per cent)

Your response **must** at a minimum address and include evidence of:

- the Applicant's track record managing similar projects and access to personnel and/or partners with the right skills and experience
- sound project planning to manage and complete the project, which addresses scope, implementation methodology, timeframes, budget, community consultation, and risk management
- robust consultation with and support from local government(s) and/or affected communities, including First Nations communities where relevant (see section 7.4 of DRF Round Three Guidelines), or compelling reasons for not having consulted
- compliance with relevant legislative requirements, government policies and industry standards, such as:
 - where Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people will be impacted by the project, how the project will ensure cultural safety in any service delivery?
 - where the project will affect the particular interests of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, how the project aligns with the National Agreement on Closing the Gap Priority Reforms and/or will contribute to progress against targets?
- readiness to formally commence the project once Implementation Plans are endorsed and ability to deliver the project within the maximum project period
- value with relevant money as defined and having regard to the cost benefit considerations outlined in the DRF Round Three Guidelines Glossary, including but not limited to:
 - the extent to which the project will contribute to meeting the Program objectives and outcomes
 - the nature (new investment vs historical investments) and amount of the Applicant's co-contribution relative to the amount of Commonwealth funding being sought
 - the percentage of costs to be spent on project administration (excluding the program administration funding provided to Lead Agencies)
 - risks that the project or Applicant poses for NEMA and the Commonwealth
 - why the project is not able to be funded through other potentially more appropriate sources, where applicable.

In addition, for infrastructure projects, you must demonstrate:

- how the infrastructure and benefits of the project will be operated and maintained into the future
- steps taken to get the project ready including:
 - the status of required regulatory and/or development approvals
 - project designs and costings
 - authority from the land or infrastructure owner to undertake the project at the nominated site(s)
 - funding contributions from all sources.

Responses to Criteria 3 must also include the following pieces of evidence, provided as attachments (mandatory requirement) and uploaded in the sections below your response.

The evidence provided to support this must include, but is not limited to:

- For all project types:

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- a clear business case for the application, including a project plan, budget and risk management plan commensurate with the size and scale of the project
- cost estimates prepared by a quantity surveyor or other relevant professional (e.g. actuarial or accounting advice that verifies project costs are accurate and realistic, ideally less than 12 months old) for projects valued over \$1 million, or quotes or cost estimates prepared by the Applicant (ideally less than 6 months old) for projects valued under \$1 million
- Note: all estimates must include a contingency as a separate line item (minimum of 10%, but consideration of a higher contingency up to 30% for projects in complex or remote delivery environments is recommended)
- In addition, for infrastructure projects:
 - a cost benefit analysis
 - copies of relevant designs and approvals (e.g. schematic plans, planning permits, development and building approvals, etc)
 - evidence that the Applicant either owns the land/infrastructure being built/ upgraded upon or has the landowner's permission to use the land/infrastructure.

Response to Criterion Three *

Word count:

Must be no more than 750 words.

Mandatory attachments for all projects

A clear business case for the proposal, including a project plan, budget and risk management plan commensurate with the size and scale of the project *

Attach a file:

A maximum of 1 file may be attached.

Cost estimates prepared by a quantity surveyor or other relevant professional for projects valued over \$1 million, or quotes or cost estimates prepared by the Applicant for projects valued under \$1 million. *

Attach a file:

Additional attachments for infrastructure projects

Cost Benefit Analysis commensurate with the size and scale of the project. *

Attach a file:

A maximum of 1 file may be attached.

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Copies of relevant designs and approvals (e.g. schematic plans, planning permits, development and building approvals, etc.) *

Attach a file:

A maximum of 1 file may be attached.

Evidence that the Applicant either owns the land/infrastructure being built/ upgraded upon or has the landowner's permission to use the land/infrastructure.

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Attach a file:

A maximum of 1 file may be attached.

Other project details

* indicates a required field

Does the project have the potential to adversely impact a matter of national environmental significance under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth)? *

☐ No

☐ Yes

You have indicated that your project has the potential to adversely impact a matter of national environmental significance under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth). This means that your application is **ineligible** as NEMA will not support proposals which include activities with the potential to adversely impact a matter of national environmental significance. If you selected 'yes' in error, please amend the response.

'Business as usual' considerations

Is the project seeking funding for 'business as usual' activities as defined in the Glossary to the Disaster Ready Fund Round Three Guidelines? *

☐ Yes – if yes, the project is not eligible for DRF funding. Refer to the DRF Round Three Guidelines for further details.

☐ No

Justify why the project is not 'business as usual' as defined in the Disaster Ready Fund Round Three Guidelines Glossary. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

Co-benefits

Will the project deliver any co-benefits for communities (i.e. benefits that go beyond the project's intended risk reduction, resilience or knowledge outcomes, such as benefits related to insurance affordability or availability)? *

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

If answering yes to the previous question, do the co-benefits relate to insurance affordability or availability? *

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Provide a brief description of any expected or potential co-benefits, including their nature, quantum and the basis on which they have been determined/estimated. This information should also be included in the response to assessment criterion 1 and supported by evidence, as an attachment under the Supporting Documents page, where available. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

Project Budget and Other Funding Sources

*** indicates a required field**

Indicative Budget

Indicative Budget Attachment

Provide a budget for your project using the [Disaster Ready Fund Three Indicative Budget Template](#).

This is in addition to the requirement to submit a business case, including a project budget, as a mandatory attachment to applications.

The Budget Template captures high level project milestones and funding details for the Applicant and any partners across three separate sheets:

- 1.a Budget Summary
- 2.a Budget Breakdown
- 3.details of any Australian Government bodies or entities wholly funded by the Australian Government who are partnering on the project.*Note: sheets 2 and 3 must be completed in order to generate the budget summary on sheet 1.*

In-kind contributions are considered a non-cash input, which can be given a cash value. In-kind contributions are for costs directly associated with an approved project. They are not to be used for administrative overheads, ongoing running costs or other core activities of applicant organisations.

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Please refer to the Victorian Application Guide and Australian Government's Disaster Ready Fund Round Three Guidelines for eligible and ineligible items.

Ensure that all listed budget items are GST exclusive.

Required attachment - Indicative Budget (.xlsx) *

Attach a file:

A maximum of 1 file may be attached. You must use the supplied DRF Budget Template.

Project Funding Summary (GST Exclusive)

Please enter in the total value of Commonwealth funding and total co-contribution (excluding GST) and ensure that they match the indicative budget you are submitting.

The total project value will auto-calculate based on the figures provided below and must be at least \$0.5 million for infrastructure projects.

What is the value of Commonwealth funding you are requesting for this project (GST exclusive)? *

Enter the amount of funding being sought from the Commonwealth, excluding co-contributions and GST.

Total co-contribution (GST exclusive) *

Enter the total co-contribution (financial and in-kind) being offered by the Applicant and any delivery partners, excluding GST.

Total Project value (Total Commonwealth funding + total co-contribution) (GST exclusive) *

This number/amount is calculated.
The total project value must be at least \$0.5 million for infrastructure projects.

Other Commonwealth funding received

Will activities for which Commonwealth (DRF) funding is being sought have commenced, or be completed, before the Implementation Plan is endorsed (anticipated from early 2026)? *

☐ Yes ☐ No

Warning: If yes, the project is not eligible for DRF funding. Refer to Section 5 of the DRF Guidelines and the Glossary for further details.

Have you received Commonwealth funding from any other source (including previous DRF Rounds, but excluding DRF Round Three) for the activities described in this project proposal? *

☐ Yes ☐ No

Provide further details below of the Commonwealth funding that has been received (add more rows if needed)

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Funding Source	Amount (\$)	Date funding awarded/received	Describe how this funding will complement and not duplicate the use of DRF funds requested in this application.
	Must be a dollar amount.	Must be a date.	Must be no more than 150 words.
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Other Commonwealth funding sought

Apart from any funding already received and noted above, have you sought Commonwealth funding from other sources including previous rounds of the DRF for the activities described in this project proposal? *

☐ Yes ☐ No

Funding Source	Amount requested (\$)	Date Applied	Status	Date outcome is expected (for pending decision status only)
	Must be a dollar amount.	Must be a date.		Must be a date.

Co-contribution declaration

I confirm that any 'Historical Co-contributions' entered relate to funds that have already been invested since 1 July 2023. *

☐ Yes ☐ No

Warning: If no, please refer to section 3.1.2 of the DRF Round Three Guidelines for relevant requirements. All eligibility requirements must be met in order for a project to be considered.

I confirm that any 'In-Kind Co-contributions' entered do not include historic work or staff time spent on a project *

☐ Yes ☐ No

Warning: If no, please refer to section 3.1.2 of the DRF Round Three Guidelines for relevant requirements. All eligibility requirements must be met in order for a project to be considered.

I confirm that descriptions have been provided for any historical and/or in-kind co-contributions entered, including how the DRF project will extend or enhance any historical investments. *

☐ Yes ☐ No

Warning: If no, please refer to section 3.1.2 of the DRF Round Three Guidelines for relevant requirements. All eligibility requirements must be met in order for a project to be considered.

Supporting documentation

Applicants may provide up to eight additional (optional) attachments per project in support of their applications (e.g. evidence that supports claims made against the assessment criteria). Where optional attachments are provided, Applicants must reference these in their responses to the assessment criteria and identify the document name or attachment number.

These documents are in addition to any of the mandatory attachments that have been identified in previous questions.

(Maximum size limit per file is 10MB.)

Attachment name	Optional attachments
	The maximum file size is 10MB per attachment. A maximum of 8 files may be attached.

Acknowledgements and Declaration

* indicates a required field

Conflict of Interest Declaration

Does the Applicant or any delivery partners have any interests that have the potential to compromise the performance or integrity of the DRF in relation to the assessment or delivery of this project? Conflicts may be actual or perceived. *

☐ No ☐ Yes

Please list any relevant interests and describe how the Applicant proposes to manage any potential conflicts below (add additional rows as needed).

Individual or Entity
Name *

Nature of the interest/
conflict *

Word count:
Must be no more than 50 words.

Proposed management strategy *

Word count:

Must be no more than 50 words.

CEO/Secretary/Deputy Secretary/Financial Delegate Acknowledgements and Endorsement

Please review and ensure you acknowledge the below statements.

By selecting 'yes' for each statement below you are confirming that the appropriate level of authorisation has been obtained (including, as applicable, CEO/Secretary/Deputy Secretary/Financial Delegate).

You acknowledge that you have read the DRF Guidelines and you certify that the application is complete and accurate and that you have provided claims truthfully and to the best of your abilities. Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence under the Criminal Code Act 1995 (Cth) and NEMA will investigate any false or misleading information and may exclude the application from further consideration. *

☐ Yes

You acknowledge that the Victorian Government and the Australian Government both reserve the right to refuse applications where a full co-contribution meeting the minimum co-contribution requirement has not been provided. You also acknowledge that the Australian Government reserves the right to withdraw an offer of support for a project where the co-contribution is anticipated (i.e. offered in-principle) but not approved/confirmed prior to the signing of FFA Schedules. *

☐ Yes

You confirm that any financial assistance previously or currently sought or provided through Commonwealth, State/Territory or other initiatives to support the project have been disclosed *

☐ Yes

You confirm that the project is not seeking funding for a 'business as usual' activity as defined in the Glossary to the Guidelines. *

☐ Yes

You confirm that you have declared any actual or perceived conflicts of interest or that, to the best of your knowledge, there are no conflicts of interest, and acknowledge that you must inform EMV in writing immediately if you later identify any actual or perceived conflicts of interest. *

☐ Yes

You confirm that you have consulted with relevant local governments, First Nations communities and other key stakeholders (e.g. local communities, delivery partners, academia) if the project has a place-based focus (i.e. practical impacts in one or more areas where those entities are impacted), or that you have provided compelling reasons for not consulting, or that this requirement does not apply to the project (i.e. not a place-based project). *

☐ Yes

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NEMA, as an agency subject to the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth), is required to notify you about their collection, use and disclosure of your personal information. NEMA does so by referring you to the NEMA Privacy Policy and the Privacy information provided in the DRF Guidelines. You acknowledge that you have read and understood this information. *

☐ Yes

By selecting 'yes' below you are confirming that the appropriate level of authorisation has been obtained (including CEO/Secretary/Deputy Secretary/Financial Delegate).

- I declare that the information provided in this form and attachments are, to the best of my knowledge, true and correct.
- I understand that any omission or false statement may result in the rejection of the proposal or withholding of any funds already approved.
- I understand that Emergency Management Victoria and the National Emergency Management Agency, or their agents, may check any of the statements for the purpose of assessing this proposal, and agree to provide any additional information requested.
- I understand that this is a proposal only and may not result in funding approval.
- I confirm that the contribution/s detailed in this proposal is available for the duration of the project, commencing upon execution of the Australian Government Funding Agreement.
- I confirm that the outputs of the project are for a public purpose and will be used by my organisation or made available to others for no or a nominal cost.
- I consent to the release of information in the proposal (excluding personal details) for non-commercial public information purposes.
- I understand that funds are being provided by the Australian Government under the *Disaster Ready Act (2019)*, and possibly by the Victorian Government, and agree to acknowledge that/those funding source/s publicly as appropriate, should the application be successful.

I confirm that the above statements have been read and are agreed to *

☐ Yes ☐ No

Selecting 'yes' means that this proposal is endorsed by the applicant's CEO or equivalent

Name of Chief Executive Officer or equivalent *

Position *

Phone number *

Email address *

Date of endorsement *

Must be a date.

