



Australian Government

Attorney-General's Department
Emergency Management Australia

Bushfire Mitigation Program (BMP) Application Form

PLEASE COMPLETE FORM AND SEND TO THE LEAD AGENCY.

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1. ORGANISATION INFORMATION

Name of Applicant/Organisation <i>including partner organisations</i>	
Street Address	
Town/Suburb/State/Postcode	
Postal Address	
Nominated Contact <i>include salutation eg Mr, Ms, Dr</i>	
Position	
Phone	
Email	

2. PROJECT SUMMARY

Project Name	
Town / Postcode/ Local Government Area	
Start Date	
End Date	
Status	
Outline	

3. TIMEFRAME AND WORK PLAN

Provide a timeframe and work plan for the project showing major stages and tasks. Indicate expected commencement and completion dates for the different stages together with anticipated milestones.

Milestones	Commencement date	Completion date
List major milestones (eg. consultant appointed 01/07/05, construction commenced 30/5/05).	Expected	Expected

4. ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

Provide details of the risks and impact of the bushfire hazard on the community taking into account overall community and industry vulnerability.

Cost effectiveness such as;	
Population affected;	Give the number of people directly at risk and indicate any particular issues (eg elderly population, future population projections).
Property at risk; and	Specify type and number affected, and degree of risk. Consider residential properties, commercial premises, factories, warehouses, rural dwellings, etc.
Infrastructure and essential services at risk.	Specify type and number affected, and degree of risk. Consider access and supply links, electricity, gas, water, sewerage, telecommunications, etc.
Social benefits.	Address issues such as health and social welfare, effects of community disruption and isolation, personal and community distress.
Environmental impacts	Describe any other factors.

5. EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES WAIVER

Provision of Australian Government funds under the Program Partnership Agreements is contingent on at least a matching contribution from the State for each of its approved projects. Where the project involves infrastructure owned by a local agency, the Australian Government will meet up to one third of the cost of each approved project, with the remaining two thirds being met by State/local agency arrangements, except for agreed exceptional circumstances where remote Indigenous communities, low capacity local governments or unincorporated communities would otherwise be precluded from participating in the Program.

A reduction or waiver of the local agency contribution will be considered on a case by case basis. If considered justifiable, the Australian and State governments will equally share the balance of funds required. In certain cases, a waiver of one or more of the usual conditions of application, reporting and/or accountability may also be appropriate. While priority is generally given to projects that offer the most effective mitigation measure and cost-effective expenditure of funds, this principle will be applied flexibly so as not to disadvantage remote Indigenous and/or low capacity communities.

Give details if an exceptional circumstances waiver of one or more of the above conditions is sought. Explain why application of the normal cost-sharing or reporting arrangements would cause financial hardship or otherwise preclude participation in the program. Consider issues such as local agency rate revenue and capacity to raise funds, local agency expenditure and service area, population affected, degree of risk and level of vulnerability of the affected community, anticipated level of risk protection.

6. PROPOSED PROJECT EVALUATION

Reporting requirements will be required in the form of quarterly progress reports and status reports.

- *How will your organisation measure the benefits to the region? Please quantify the benefits for the region with key performance indicators that are directly related to objectives of the BMP such as increased accessibility, safety of fire suppression personnel, length of new fire trail added to the system etc.*

7. BUDGET

FUNDING SOUGHT				
Project	Australian Government	State Government	LGA/Other	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$

For each component of the above project(s) please provide a breakdown of costs. This budget is for the financial year in which funding is sought. If part of a project spanning several years, budgets for the out years may be included.

COST				
Component	Australian Government	State Government	LGA/Other	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$

If the project is an element of a larger mitigation scheme provide the name of the scheme and its cost:

Mitigation Scheme	Name of Scheme	
	Total Cost	\$

Provide an estimate of the project's annual maintenance cost and explain how this was calculated:

Maintenance	Estimated annual cost	\$
	Basis for calculation	

8. Other Comments

Provide details of any other relevant information.

9. ATTACHMENTS

List any attachments (including number of pages) submitted with this application and which question the attachment relates to.

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DECLARATION

To be signed by the **Chief Executive Officer/Equivalent**.

I declare that the information given in this form is complete and correct, and the appropriate group or organisation endorsement has been received to submit this application.

I consent to the release of information in this application (excluding personal details) for non-commercial public information purposes.

Signature	
Name	
Position	
Date	