

Regional Futures – Collaborative Projects

Additional Information

Regional Futures – Collaborative Projects Regional Engagement Officer Certificate

A certificate will be provided to applicants after a meeting with a Queensland Government Regional Engagement Officer confirms eligibility. The certificate provides evidence that the applicant has been made aware of the eligibility criteria and confirms that the application is eligible to apply. Applicants must submit the certificate with their application for funding.

A full application must be submitted within six months of receiving a certificate.

Funding is not available if the project has already been awarded other Queensland Government funding

If the project is currently receiving Queensland Government support, the organisation cannot apply for further funding. If funding was received (and has since been finalised and acquitted) for an earlier phase of the current project, then funding may be considered.

Submission of multiple applications that are related and interdependent

Organisations are encouraged to collaborate within and across regions to develop and undertake projects. If there are a number of projects that are related and interdependent, then wherever possible these should be combined into one collaborative project with one organisation taking the lead.

If this is not possible, applicants should identify the related/interdependent applications in the relevant section of the application form and ensure all related applications are submitted at the same time.

Organisations planning multiple, interdependent projects should seek advice from their Regional Engagement Officer on the most appropriate way to proceed.

Applying for funding support for an activity that has already commenced prior to the application

Only activities which commence after the project commencement date will be funded. The project commencement date will be agreed as part of the negotiation of the Grant Agreement and is generally the date that the Grant Agreement is executed.

Details of the Queensland Government priority industry sectors

The Queensland Government has developed industry roadmaps for emerging and priority sectors with global growth potential. More information on these roadmaps can be found at [the Queensland Government website](#).

Your project does not have to support a Queensland Government priority industry sector

Supporting the Queensland Government priority industry sectors is not a pre-requisite, however it is likely to be a key component in ensuring your project application is competitive across all Assessment Criterion.

Meaning of ‘involve partner organisation/s that are separate entities’

The partner organisation/s must not be related, i.e., as parent or subsidiaries organisations, and must have separate management personnel. Where a Regional Organisation of Councils, Regional Economic Development Organisation (or other organisation that is formed by a collaboration of local government or other regional organisations) is the applicant, the participant councils in that organisation cannot also be classed as partner organisations.

The Queensland Government does not require the applicant to have formal collaborative agreements with partner organisations

However, the applicant may independently decide to enter into agreements with partner organisation/s to clarify and outline the details of the collaborative arrangements.

For the avoidance of doubt, the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement place the obligation to carry out the project and receive and expend the matching cash contribution from the partner organisation/s on the applicant. Further, a letter of support from partner organisation/s is a requirement when submitting an application.

Checking the status of your application

Applicant will be notified in writing of the outcome of their application. No early indication of likely success of an application can be provided to applicants.

Definition of a “job”

For the purpose of the Regional Futures – Collaborative Projects Fund:

- jobs supported by the project and based in Queensland are considered to be “new” (i.e. not safeguarding an existing job)
- jobs reported must be established, or forecast to be established as a direct result of Advance Queensland funding
- jobs includes full and part time, as well as temporary and permanent employment
- jobs reported does not include public service positions, or indirect jobs (jobs that flow on through supply chains).

Requirement to complete the Publishable Project Description in plain English

Information provided in response to this question in the application form will be used to inform politicians and senior government officers of the proposed project and may be used to promote the project to the general public. It is therefore important that it is clear and easy to understand by a person with limited knowledge of the subject matter and should succinctly promote the benefits of the project. Applicants should avoid the use of technical or industry specific jargon or terms.

As this project summary may be used publicly, applicants should ensure that it does not include any sensitive and/or commercial-in-confidence information.

Successful applications obligations regarding communication/publicity

Regional Futures – Collaborative Projects Fund recipients will be required to acknowledge the support of Queensland Government in all public communications. Recipients will be required to evidence these communications throughout the lifetime of the project.