



Regional Australia Update

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Secretary's Message



During October the Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government sponsored the annual Sustainable Economic Growth for Regional Australia (SEGRA) national conference in Geelong and hosted a departmental booth to share information about the Department and Australian Government priorities. The Department was also a sponsor of the *National Economic Development Conference 2011: The Digital Economy* in Adelaide.

The Department has responded to around 290 requests for feedback from key stakeholders and applicants from Round One of the Regional Development Australia Fund (RDAF). In response to requests by RDAs attending the SEGRA RDA Professional Development Workshop, the Department ran an RDAF information session. The session focused on the proposed revised guidelines for RDAF Round Two which will attract \$200 million in funding.

This Regional Australia Update includes a two-page RDAF special which provides a program overview and eligibility criteria. I urge you to read through the information carefully and consider submitting an expression of interest for investment-ready projects in your community.

It is great to see so many RDA committees involved in programs and events relevant to their regions. You can read about some of the great initiatives of RDA committees in the RDA News section.

Please contact us at update@regional.gov.au if you would like to submit a news item for future editions of the newsletter.

Best regards,

Glenys Beauchamp
Secretary

Special: RDAF Round Two

Regional Development Australia Fund (RDAF) Round Two Guidelines Overview

RDAF is an almost \$1 billion Australian Government program (some of which is subject to the passage of the Minerals Rent Resource Tax). Round One projects (worth \$150 million) were announced in September 2011. The list of Round One projects can be found at the [Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government website](#).

Round Two Key Points

- Round Two opened Thursday 3 November 2011
- Round Two will be a two-stage process:
 - Expressions of Interest (EOI) are due by 1 December 2011
 - Full applications are due 15 February 2012 (three viable priority projects will be selected from the EOI process)
- \$200 million available
- \$500 000 to \$15 million available per project
- Dollar for dollar partnership funding preferred (1:2 for projects over \$5 million).

What's New in Round Two?

- A two-stage application process, including a short paper-based Expression of Interest (EOI).
- A strong role for RDA committees:
 - Review all Expressions of Interest from their region
 - Select three viable priority projects
- One EOI per applicant for a single project
- A maximum grant value of \$15 million
- Preference will be given to applications that demonstrate partnership funding on a dollar for dollar basis for grant requests of \$5 million and less, and on a 1:2 basis for grant requests of more than \$5 million
- At least 50 per cent partnership funding must be in cash
- Not-for-profit organisations must have a minimum annual income of \$1.5 million
- Projects located in capital cities must demonstrate how the proposed project will benefit the broader region or other parts of regional Australia
- Guidance on the content of mandatory application documents, including:
 - Business case
 - Asset Management and Operations Plan
 - Project Management Plan
 - Project Quality Plan
 - Procurement Management Plan
 - Risk Management Plan

Who is eligible?

Eligible Organisations

- Local government bodies, including those in the Indian Ocean Territories
- Incorporated not-for-profit organisations with a minimum annual income of \$1.5 million, including those in the Indian Ocean Territories

Ineligible Organisations

- For profit companies
- Not-for-profit organisations with an annual income of less than \$1.5 million
- Commercial arms of local or state government bodies
- Universities and technical colleges
- RDA committees

These organisations may apply as part of a consortium led by an eligible organisation (with the exception of RDA committees).

What is eligible?

Eligible Projects

- Investment ready: construction is ready to proceed within six months of the execution of the Funding Agreement
- Capital in nature: such as new infrastructure and upgrades to existing infrastructure
- Cohesive: not two or more different projects drawn together

Ineligible Projects

- Soft infrastructure
- Purchase of plant and equipment
- Administrative overhead items
- Commercial projects
- Activities directly and primarily supported by other Australian Government programs
- Projects eligible to be funded under the National Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements
- Projects that are the normal responsibility of local governments

Eligibility Criteria

Eligible applications must satisfy all of the listed eligibility criteria.

1. The applicant must be an eligible organisation.
2. The application must be for an eligible project.
3. The project and applicant must have been nominated by the RDA committee.
4. The project must be viable and sustainable.
5. All mandatory documentation is provided.

Selection Criteria

Applications that meet the eligibility criteria and are one of the RDA committee's three prioritised projects will be assessed on a competitive basis.

Eligible applications will be considered by the Advisory Panel on their merits, with the Panel making recommendations to the Minister on the most meritorious projects.

To be competitive in the selection process applicants will need to address each of the selection criteria.

1. The extent to which the project will contribute to and sustain regional economic growth
2. The extent to which the project will provide community benefit
3. The extent to which the applicant leverages additional funding from a variety of sources

What is the process?

Expressions of Interest – due by 1 December 2011

1. Applicant completes the EOI form located at www.regional.gov.au and submits via email to the RDA committee in which the project is located and the Department.
2. RDA committees review each EOI and select three viable priority projects that will proceed to the full application.
3. RDA committees provide a complete list of the EOIs received and the rationale for and outcomes of their assessment to the Department by 21 December 2011.
4. The Department will advise both selected and unsuccessful applicants of the outcome of their EOI in writing by 11 January 2012.
5. Unsuccessful EOI applicants will be referred to their RDA committee for feedback.

Full applications – due by 15 February 2012

1. The Department invites the proponents of the three viable priority projects in each RDA region to submit a full application.
2. Applicants complete and submit the web-form located on www.regional.gov.au
3. The Department analyses the applications against eligibility and selection criteria, assesses viability and conducts risk assessments.
4. Eligible applications and analysis by the Department are supplied to the Advisory Panel, which will consider each application based on its individual merits and relative to other eligible applications.
5. The Advisory Panel makes recommendations to the Minister, who will make the final decision on project funding.

Milestone	Anticipated Dates
Program announced	Thursday 3 November 2011
Guidelines published	Thursday 3 November 2011
Expressions of Interest (EOI) open	Thursday 3 November 2011
EOIs close	Thursday 1 December 2011
RDA committee decisions on EOIs	Wednesday 21 December 2011
Applicants advised of EOI results	Wednesday 11 January 2012
Applications for Round Two close	Wednesday 15 February 2012
First project announcements	Mid to late May 2012
Contracts negotiated and executed	Within 16 weeks of the Minister's announcement

Advisory Panel

The RDAF Advisory Panel provides independent advice and recommendations on the allocation of funds to the Minister.

The Operating Arrangements and details of members of the Advisory Panel are available on www.regional.gov.au

What is the role of RDA committees?

RDA committees play a critical role in the RDAF process. RDA committees will review Expressions of Interest from all potential applicants for potential projects, and select three viable priority projects that will progress to application. For more information on the role of RDA committees in Round Two please refer to Attachment D in the guidelines. RDA committees should direct questions to rdasupport@regional.gov.au

Where can I find additional information?

Applicants can ask questions relating to the application and assessment process by emailing rdaf@regional.gov.au

For further information including the full guidelines visit the [Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government website](http://www.regional.gov.au)



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RDA News

RDA Western Melbourne launch Community Health Screening Program

RDA Western Melbourne (Victoria) and Australian Government Minister for Health and Ageing, the Hon Nicola Roxon MP, launched the Community Health Screening Program on Friday 30 September 2011. The launch at the Substation Arts and Cultural Centre in Newport was attended by more than 70 government, community and business representatives.

RDA Western Melbourne Deputy Chair, Bill Noonan, brought the program to the attention of the committee in the context of its Social Inclusion Priority. The committee then partnered with David Stanley from PreventionXpress, the service provider, Centrelink as the service deliverer, the University of Melbourne and the Institute for Breathing and Sleep (IBAS).

The University of Melbourne and IBAS will prepare a report on the findings of the health screening program in the west and compare this with national data. The information will be used to provide input into developing future health strategies and the role that health plays in being work ready.

As well as addressing social inclusion, health standards and future health plans, the program also develops a strong relationship with medical students in the hope that they may consider a career in the west, where there is a current shortage of medical professionals.

Board member wins economic development award

RDA Barossa (South Australia) Board member Wayne Perry was awarded the *Economic Development Leadership Award* for his outstanding contribution to leadership in economic development. The Award was part of the 2011 National Awards for Economic Development Excellence held in Adelaide recently.

During the Awards, Mr Perry was also recognised for his contribution to the workforce development, training and sustainable energy sectors in South Australia as Chairman of the South Australia Works in the Region Workforce Development Network, Chairman of St Patrick's Technical College and as deputy Chairman of the Barossa Sustainable Energy Committee.

As a Board member of RDA Barossa, Wayne is passionate about the economic development of South Australia. RDA Barossa has congratulated Mr Perry and thanked him for his commitment and passion for the Barossa region.



Wayne and Jill Perry with his Economic Development Leadership Award.

New iPhone App connects users with local food in the Northern Rivers

RDA Northern Rivers (NSW) has created a new application that will give local people and visitors information about the wide variety of food that is grown, produced, sold and served in the region.

MyFood Northern Rivers is a free App for iPhone and iPad available from the App Store. The hand-held directory features local food producers, retailers, markets, restaurants and food-related events in the Northern Rivers.

Users are able to find restaurants on a map, contact producers via email or even visit their favourite market's website. The App also enables users to create a list of 'favourites', and to rate and share information and photos with other users via email, Facebook and Twitter.

For further information including a presentation showing how the App works visit the [RDA Northern Rivers website](#).

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PM addresses Regional Leaders Summit

Prime Minister the Hon Julia Gillard MP was the Keynote Speaker at the RDA Illawarra (NSW) third annual Regional Leaders Summit on 18 October 2011.

During her visit to the Illawarra, the Prime Minister pledged \$25.5 million in Australian Government funding to progress the Maldon Dombarton rail link project to the 'shovel ready' stage. The Prime Minister also announced that more than 10 000 Illawarra premises would be hooked up to the National Broadband Network in the next stage of its rollout.

The Regional Leaders Summit focused on opportunities for the future growth and prosperity of the Illawarra region as it undergoes a process of transformation.

Other key speakers at the Regional Leaders Summit included founder of the Conrad Centre for Business Entrepreneurship and Technology in Waterloo, Canada, Dr Howard Armitage, Youth Off the Streets Chief Executive, Father Chris Riley and RDA Illawarra Chair, Eddy De Gabriele.

"The Illawarra will deliver a bright, sustainable future," Mr De Gabriele said. "We need to take advantage of this opportunity and invest in it now."



Prime Minister of Australia, the Hon Julia Gillard MP addresses the summit.

New Regional Employment Program

RDA Western Melbourne (Victoria) Chair Bill Jaboor has welcomed the announcement of \$150,000 to add to regional funding for a western region employment program.

The program SEED, which stands for Sustainable Employment and Economic Development, will provide support, training and work experience for disadvantaged young people in the region.

Mr Jaboor said the program was originally piloted by the City of Moonee Valley with great success. "We know that it works," Mr Jaboor said.

Funding has been made available from RDA Western Melbourne, the Victorian Department of Human Services, the Australian Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations through the Workforce Innovation Fund, Kangan Batman TAFE and the four local councils of Hobsons Bay, Maribyrnong, Melbourne and Moonee Valley.

"This is a terrific example of all three levels of government collaborating together to help our young citizens to participate in the workforce," Mr Jaboor said.



RDA Western Melbourne Chair Bill Jaboor and Deputy Chair Bill Noonan.

Study predicts skilled jobs boom for Brisbane

RDA Brisbane (Queensland) has released a report *Skill Shortages in the Greater Brisbane Labour Market* to help identify the region's future skill needs, and develop strategies to meet the expected skill shortages.

The study focussed on the Brisbane Statistical Division, which also includes RDA regions Moreton Bay, Logan and Redlands, and Ipswich and West Moreton.

The report highlighted the Brisbane region's continued future development as a professional service hub for the rest of Queensland, supporting strong growth in the resources sector, and predicts that an extra 136 000 professionals and 62 000 managers will be required to meet demand to 2021.

The report makes a number of policy recommendations to help address the expected structural change, including strategies to retain skilled workers in the workforce and support skilled migration.

RDA Brisbane identified Brisbane's skills base and labour force availability as a key priority to the region's economic future in their Regional Roadmap and have been working with Brisbane City Council and Brisbane Marketing to examine the future skills needs of the region.

To view the full report visit the [RDA Brisbane website](#).

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Goldfields Esperance Infrastructure under the spotlight

RDA Goldfields Esperance (Western Australia) recently hosted the Director of Infrastructure Australia, Michael Deegan, allowing him to see first-hand the reliance of the resources sector in the Goldfields Esperance region on current transport infrastructure.

One of the most critical challenges facing the Goldfields Esperance region is ensuring that the road, rail and port infrastructure keeps pace with the expanding resources sector. Quality infrastructure facilities are also essential for the agricultural sector, which requires first-class transport networks to deliver its product to world markets.

Mr Deegan who advises the Australian Government Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, the Hon Anthony Albanese MP, on infrastructure issues nation-wide, toured the port, rail and road access corridors in Esperance on Wednesday 26 October 2011, and presented information about Infrastructure Australia to key resource and industry leaders at the *What's Down the Track* forum in Kalgoorlie on Thursday 27 October 2011.



Infrastructure Australia Director, Michael Deegan and RDA Goldfields Esperance Chair Mal Osborne.

2011 Census Project – Make Your Mob Count

RDA Moreton Bay (Queensland) led an innovative Census Project during 2011, in collaboration with the Moreton Bay Regional Council (MBRC), the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) and local service providers and community members.

It was known that Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander (A&TSI) communities in the Moreton Bay region were under-represented in the Australian Census and that the “real” A&TSI population numbers were much higher.

The aim of the project was to better inform planning and influence resource allocation decisions by reducing the fear of the 2011 Census, increasing A&TSI participation and educating the A&TSI communities of the importance of being counted.

RDA Moreton Bay worked closely with ABS and MBRC staff to undertake the project including specific ABS employment workshops for the A&TSI community, local events, training activities and culturally appropriate promotional campaigns. ABS staff conducted training and employed a number of A&TSI community members to engage with their communities and to assist Census collectors. Stalls were also held at local events and National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee (NAIDOC) activities.

This project built stronger relationships with the A&TSI services and elders, a more informed A&TSI community and also provided opportunity for local employment. Feedback from local A&TSI services and the ABS indicates a higher participation rate in the 2011 Census.

Hunter Indigenous Jobs Market

More than 1500 students from across the Hunter region attended an Indigenous Jobs Market Day organised by RDA Hunter (NSW).

The event was held at the Newcastle Jockey Club on 18 October 2011 and was intended to create a positive and encouraging environment for Indigenous people to interact and be inspired to take up pathways to employment.

Students could speak directly with more than 40 exhibitors from education, training, business and industry sectors. Feedback from previous similar events has indicated that more than 50 young people were placed in jobs.



The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations booth at the Hunter Indigenous Jobs Market.

Looming mining boom in the Barossa

RDA Barossa (South Australia) hosted a forum on 12 October 2011 at Murray Street Vineyard to help local businesses 'Get Ready' for the looming mining boom.

The forum was designed to highlight major projects across the state, including the Olympic Dam, and their timeframes, key challenges and how business could maximise benefit. A number of presentations were made from BHP executives and professionals such as the SA Chamber of Commerce, Mines and Energy and Enterprise Connect.

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To view presentations from the seminar visit the [RDA Barossa website](#).



RDA Barossa Executive Officer Anne Moroney presenting at the Forum.

Australian Government News

Tax Forum identifies further tax reforms

The 2011 Tax Forum on 4 and 5 October 2011 at Parliament House in Canberra brought together around 180 representatives of the community, business, unions and government, as well as academics and other tax experts, to discuss priorities and directions for further tax reform.

The forum continued the conversation the Australian Government started with the release of the [Australia's Future Tax System Review](#) in 2010. It focused on a broad sweep of topics covered in the tax review and included six sessions: personal tax, transfer payments, business tax, state taxes, environmental and social taxes, and tax system governance.

The input from participants and discussions at the Tax Forum will help identify further reforms to make the most of the opportunities and challenges ahead for Australia, such as the shift in global economic weight from West to East, the ageing of the population and the transition to a clean energy future.

For more information or to view video files of each session and the full transcript of discussion visit the [Future Tax website](#).

Investing in the experience of Mature Age Workers

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations has launched the Experience+ Training and More Help for Mature Age Workers programs to address the skill shortage issue affecting Australia.

Employers who support mature-age workers to mentor an apprentice or trainee can access training grants of \$4950 per employee under the Experience+ Training initiative. This can also be used to give mature-age workers new skills, which could include doing Certificate III or above courses such as project or frontline management.

Under the More Help for Mature Age Workers program employers can also access up to \$4400 to help mature-age workers who are 50 and over and who have trade and related relevant skills but no formal qualifications. Targeted industries include:

1. industries where there are a high proportion of trade occupations, which range from technicians, machinery operators, drivers, labourers, kitchen hands, garden and nursery workers;
2. other industries who employ workers with trades and related skills. The grant may also apply to small business owners who are in this age group and operate in the relevant occupations.

For further information visit the [DEEWR website](#).



Entries for the 2012 National Awards for Local Government open soon

Entries for the 2012 National Awards for Local Government will open on 1 December 2011 and close on 17 February 2012.

The 2012 program will include most of the awards that were offered in the 2011 program. In addition, there will be several new award categories, including *Active Arts*, *Excellence in Road Safety*, *Improving Services to Remote Communities*, and *Land-Use Planning - Addressing Disaster Risk and Enhancing Resilience*.

The Awards Team within the Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government is publicising the 2012 program through its [website](#), its [YouTube](#) channel, a [flyer](#) which is being posted to all councils, and advertisements and messages in local government media.



Australian Government News continued...

Light Vehicle CO₂ Emissions Standards

The Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, the Hon Anthony Albanese MP, has released a discussion paper that examines how to implement carbon dioxide emissions standards for new light vehicles, starting in 2015. The CO₂ standards will complement the Government's carbon price and help to reduce carbon emissions from light vehicles.

The paper does not set targets, but asks industry and the community to help shape the new standards by presenting possible approaches for consideration and debate.

The views received in response to the discussion paper will help the Department to develop an implementation Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS), which will set out options to implement the new standards. The RIS will also include a benefit-cost analysis and will be formally released for public comment.

Comments on the discussion paper are due by 30 November 2011. For further information or to download the discussion paper visit the [Department of Infrastructure and Transport website](#).



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National Economic Development Conference

More than 200 delegates from across Australia and New Zealand attended the *National Economic Development Conference 2011: The Digital Economy* in Adelaide from 4-6 October 2011. The Conference was run by Economic Development Australia (EDA) – a national professional body for economic development practitioners.

The Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government was a gold sponsor and First Assistant Secretary Tony Carmichael opened the Conference.

While in Adelaide, Mr Carmichael signed an agreement with EDA to engage a National Coordinator to oversee and manage the Regional and Remote Economic Development (RRED) Training Program. The RRED Training Program will provide economic development expertise to regional and remote communities which currently do not have access to such expertise.



Department representative Tony Carmichael presenting at the Conference.

Registration now open for Regional Science conference

The Australian New Zealand Regional Science Association International (ANZRSAI) is now inviting academics, practitioners and policy advisers interested in any aspect of regional science, regional development or regional policy to participate in its 35th annual conference in Canberra from 6-9 December 2011.

Following the natural disasters that have struck in regions of Australia, Japan and New Zealand during the past two years, the core theme of the conference is *Building Adaptive Regions*. Five keynote speakers have now been confirmed.

For further information or to register for the conference visit the [ANZRSAI website](#).

Driving sector development at Future Jobs Forum

Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government Secretary Glenys Beauchamp was among almost 100 representatives at the Future Jobs Forum in Canberra on 6 October 2011.

The Forum brought together experts from business, unions, government and academia to discuss the opportunities and challenges facing the Australian economy, and how these may be channelled into new business and job opportunities.

A focus of the jobs forum was looking at ways to drive sector development, including through fostering business innovation, making use of digital technologies, accessing new export markets and improving workforce development.

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The Prime Minister, the Hon Julia Gillard MP, also announced that she would chair a taskforce on manufacturing to discuss education, innovation and how to deal with the high terms of trade.

Promoting Regional Australia at SEGRA

The annual Sustainable Economic Growth for Regional Australia (SEGRA) national conference was held from 25-27 October 2011 in Geelong, Victoria.

The Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government sponsored the event and ran a pre-conference RDA Professional Development Workshop on Monday 24 October which included a Regional Development Australia Fund (RDAF) information session. The workshop was addressed by Deputy Secretary, Dan O'Brien. A special session was dedicated to the proposed revised guidelines for RDAF which Dan O'Brien and Robyn Fleming addressed.

The SEGRA conference theme was *Promoting Regional Australia: regions and their cities*. The Minister for Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government, the Hon Simon Crean MP was a keynote speaker. Minister Crean spoke about the importance of embedding regionalism and a 'bottom-up' approach to cooperative federalism. While in Geelong the Minister also inspected progress on two major projects which received funding as part of the first round of RDAF.



University of Southern Queensland, Deputy Dean, Faculty of Business, Assoc Prof Geoff Cockfield addresses the RDA Workshop at SEGRA.

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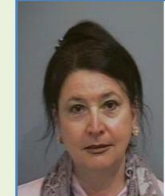
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