

Aboriginal Product Development Program Application Form

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About the grant

Instructions for Applicants

Before completing this application form, you should have read the [Snowy Mountains Special Activation Precinct \(SAP\) - Aboriginal Product Development Program guidelines](#).

Please note the important information below regarding your application:

- Your application is not officially submitted for consideration until you click 'Review and Submit' at the end of the form. Once submitted, your form cannot be varied.
- Allow enough time to complete your application, consider the time to upload files. Applications close at 4PM AEST on 15 February 2026.
- Ensure you save your application regularly to avoid losing any information. This can be done at the top or bottom of each page.
- If you are unsure or unclear about any part of the application form, **please contact us prior to submitting** at activationprecincts@dpird.nsw.gov.au and quote your Application Number.

Application Number

This field is read only.

Program Details

The NSW Government established the Snowy Mountains Aboriginal Product Development Program ("the Program") to establish and build the capability and capacity of Aboriginal businesses within the Snowy Mountains Special Activation Precinct, enabling them to operate and deliver business activity initiatives and position their business for commercial success and optimise the benefits of the visitor economy.

The objectives of the Program are to:

- Support initiatives that promote regional economic development and contribute to job creation and retention within Aboriginal communities
- Create opportunity for emerging and established Aboriginal businesses and organisations that will strengthen their operations and help them to grow and invest.
- Support Aboriginal businesses and organisations to achieve positive economic, social, cultural and emotional outcomes.
- Provide opportunity in Aboriginal organisations and Local Aboriginal Land Councils (LALCs) to activate Aboriginal owned land assets and support the delivery of funded projects.
- Increase the strength and diversity of the Snowy Precinct and its economy.
- Create focused partnerships with Aboriginal young people, schools and businesses which can support meaningful and more stable employment outcomes.
- Establish pathways for employment and skills development that can allow Aboriginal people to gain access to better social and economic outcomes.

The required outcomes of the Program are to establish and build the capability and capacity of Aboriginal tourism or related industry businesses within the Snowy Mountains Special Activation Precinct.

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Grant Program Name

This field is read only.

The program this submission is in.

Program Key Dates

Opening date and time:

9am on 3 November 2025

Closing date and time:

4pm on 15 February 2026

Application outcome date:

From 1 May 2026

Disclaimer

The Applicant acknowledges and agrees that:

- submission of this application does not guarantee funding will be granted for any project, and the Department expressly reserves its right to accept or reject this application at its discretion;
- it must bear the costs of preparing and submitting this application and the Department does not accept any liability for such costs, whether or not this application is ultimately accepted or rejected; and
- it has read the Funding Guidelines for the Program and has fully informed itself of the relevant program requirements.

Use of Information

By submitting this application form, the Applicant acknowledges and agrees that:

- if this project application is successful, the relevant details of the project will be made public, including details such as the names of the organisation (Applicant) and any partnering organisation (state government agency or non-government organisation), project title, project description, location, anticipated time for completion and amount awarded;
- the Department will use reasonable endeavours to ensure that any information received in or in respect of this application which is clearly marked 'Commercial-in-confidence' or 'Confidential' is treated as confidential, however, such documents will

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remain subject to the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (NSW) (GIPA Act); and

- in some circumstances the Department may release information contained in this application form and other relevant information in relation to this application in response to a request lodged under the GIPA Act or otherwise as required or permitted by law.

Privacy Notice

By submitting this Application form, the Applicant acknowledges and agrees that:

- the Department is required to comply with the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (NSW) (the Privacy Act) and that any personal information (as defined by the Privacy Act) collected by the Department in relation to the program will be handled in accordance with the Privacy Act and its privacy policy (available at: <https://www.dpc.nsw.gov.au/privacy>);
- the information it provides to the Department in connection with this application will be collected and stored on a database and will only be used for the purposes for which it was collected (including, where necessary, being disclosed to other Government agencies in connection with the assessment of the merits of an application) or as otherwise permitted by the Privacy Act;
- it has taken steps to ensure that any person whose personal information (as defined by the Privacy Act) is included in this application has consented to the fact that the Department and other Government agencies may be supplied with that personal information, and has been made aware of the purposes for which it has been collected and may be used.

Applicant Details

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Eligible Applicants

To be eligible for grant funding, an applicant must meet all the following requirements:

- An individual or organisation that is based and/or delivering/planning on delivering services in the Snowy Precinct or supporting region.
- Must have an ABN and provide evidence that they are one of the following:
 - a Local Aboriginal Land Council or NSW Aboriginal Land Council
 - Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation registered under the Corporations (Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006
 - A business, charity, or not-for-profit organisation, incorporated under Commonwealth, state or territory legislation, that has at least 50% Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander ownership/membership and/or directorship, and is operated for the benefit of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Applicant Details

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Applicant *

Individual Organisation

Organisation Name

Title First Name Last Name

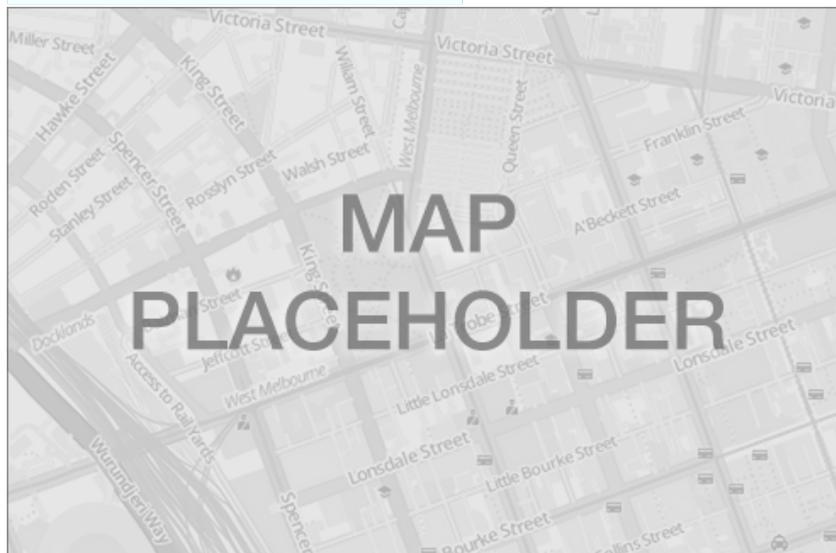
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Please use the organisation's full name. Make sure you provide the same name that is listed in official documentation such as that with the ABR, ACNC or ATO.

Primary Address

Address

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Postal Address

Address

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

Primary Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.
Country code not required, area code for landlines is required.

Other Phone Number

Must be an Australian phone number.
Country code not required, area code for landlines is required.

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Email Address *

Must be an email address.

Website

Must be a URL.

Primary Contact Details

Primary Contact *

Title First Name Last Name

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This is the person we will correspond with about this grant.

Primary Contact Position *

e.g., Manager, Board Member or Fundraising Coordinator.

Primary Contact Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.
Country code not required, area code for landlines is required.

Primary Contact Other Phone Number

Must be an Australian phone number.
Country code not required, area code for landlines is required.

Primary Contact Email *

Must be an email address.
This is the address we will use to correspond with you about this grant.

Please select which eligible applicant type represents your organisation: *

- Local Aboriginal Land Council
- NSW Aboriginal Land Council
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander Corporation
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander owned or operated (at least 50%) business, that is operated for the benefit of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.
- Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander operated (at least 50%) not-for-profit organisation that is operated for the benefit of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Please upload proof of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander organisation ownership/operation. *

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Does the applicant have an Australian Business Number (ABN)? *

- Yes No

PLEASE NOTE: You have answered 'no' to having an ABN. To be eligible for the Aboriginal Product Development Program an ABN is required. Without an ABN you are not an eligible applicant.

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	
ATO Charity Type	More information
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	
Main business location	

Must be an ABN.

Is your organisation registered for GST? *

- Yes
 No

Public Liability Insurance

Does the applicant organisation hold at least \$20 million public liability insurance? *

- Yes
 No but willing to obtain prior to entering a funding deed

Please provide evidence that the applicant organisation holds at least \$20 million in Public Liability Insurance. *

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Applicants are required to hold at least \$20 million public liability insurance in order to enter into a funding deed with the NSW Government.

How long has the applicant organisation been in operation? *

- 3 or more years
- New business operating less than 3 years

Financial Viability for New Organisation

Is the applicant organisation financially viable? This means it is not insolvent, bankrupt or subject to ongoing legal proceedings. *

- Yes - the applicant organisation is financially viable
- No - the applicant organisation is not currently financially viable
- Unsure (please outline reasons below)

If unsure of the financial viability of the applicant organisation please outline your reasons below:

Applicants are required to provide evidence of financial viability. Please do so via providing:

- Most recent statement of financial performance (or profit and loss statements) if available; and/or
- Most recent statement of financial position (or balance sheet) if available; and
- Current sources of funding and forecasting profit and loss for at least the next 3 years in your Business Plan.

Please upload evidence of financial viability (if available).

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Financial Viability For Existing Organisation

Is the applicant organisation financially viable? This means it is not insolvent, bankrupt or subject to ongoing legal proceedings. *

- Yes - the applicant organisation is financially viable
- No - the applicant organisation is not currently financially viable
- Unsure (please outline reasons below)

If unsure of the financial viability of the applicant organisation please outline your reasons below:

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Applicants are required to provide evidence of financial viability. Evidence must include the 3 most recent years:

- statement of financial performance (or profit and loss statements); and/or
- statement of financial position (or balance sheet)

Please upload evidence of financial viability. *

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Joint Application

Joint applications are eligible where the lead applicant is an Eligible Applicant. If successful, the Eligible Applicant will be solely responsible for the delivery of the project and must adhere to the terms and conditions outlined in the Funding Agreement.

Is this a joint application/partnership? *

- Yes
 No

Partner Organisation Contact *

Individual Organisation

Organisation Name

Title First Name Last Name

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Partner Contact Person 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	
ATO Charity Type	More information
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	
Main business location	

Must be an ABN.

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Partner Contact Person Primary Address

Address

Partner Contact Person Primary Phone Number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Partner Contact Person Primary Email *

Must be an email address.

Project Details

* indicates a required field

The project/activities must meet all the following requirements to be eligible:

- Timeframe: The project **must** be able to meet the project delivery timeframe listed in the **Grant Program Details** -*Projects must commence within 6 months of the return of the applicant's signed Letter of Conditional Offer with Confidentiality Agreement and be completed within 2 years from the commencement date of a funding deed.*
- Strategy: The project **must** align to the [Snowy Mountains Special Activation Precinct Master Plan](#).
- Improved outcomes for Aboriginal people: The project **must** seek to improve outcomes for Aboriginal people and align with the skills, aspirations and experiences of local Aboriginal communities.
- Inclusion and accessibility: The project **may** aim to improve community participation, liveable communities and accessibility and inclusion outcomes. These outcomes assist people with disability and accessibility requirements to participate independently with equity and dignity. The project may provide fit-for-purpose, accessible and safe facilities, and increased participation opportunities by increasing accessibility and inclusion/ universal design.
- Applicants **must** be able to enter into a funding deed with NSW Government and have an Australian bank account.

Title *

Word count:

Must be no more than 25 words.

Provide a name for your initiative. Your title should be short but descriptive.

Brief description *

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Word count:

Must be no more than 50 words.

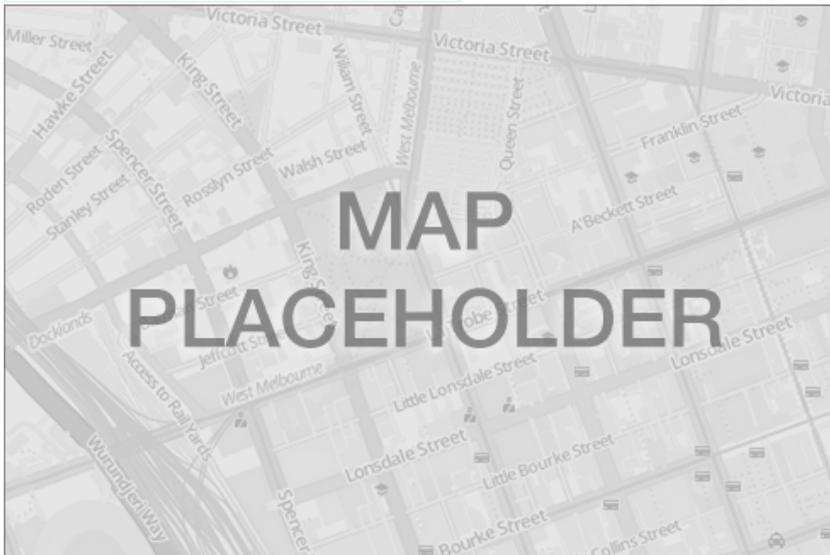
Include a brief summary of who will benefit from this initiative, what activities you will do and what outcomes you expect from your activities.

Anticipated start date *

Anticipated end date *

Primary location of your initiative

Address



Primary location does not need to be a specific address, and can be postcode, suburb, state (NSW), etc. If delivered online, please specify the area of focus for delivery.

Please provide a detailed project description including how the project is designed to benefit the Snowy Mountains Special Activation Precinct. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

Please provide a detailed description of who will benefit from the project activities (and how), what activities you are proposing (and where), and what the anticipated outcomes of those activities

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will be. Include context such as whether this is an expansion of your current operations (or a new opportunity), will this likely create jobs and employment.

Multiple locations

Will your project be carried out across multiple locations? *

- No
- Yes - 2 locations
- Yes - 3 or more locations

Project Location 2 *

Address

Brief description of the activity at Location 2 *

Project Location 3 *

Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Brief description of the activity at Location 3 *

Please list any further locations below and the activities to be carried out.

Please outline how the project aligns to the Snowy Mountains Special Activation Precinct Master Plan *

Word count:

Must be no more than 250 words.

Landowners Consent

Do you require Landowner's Consent in order to conduct the activities listed above? *

- Yes
- No

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Projects involving the upgrade or construction on land not owned by the applicant must seek Landowner's Consent prior to commencing any works. If you own the property where your project will be delivered you will be required to provide evidence of land ownership, such as with a current rate notice, an approved DA or title deed information. If you do not own the property where your project will be delivered, you will be required to provide evidence of landowner's consent. This should include:

- Address where the project is delivered
- Works being undertaken
- Arrangements that you have with the landowner.

Provide evidence of landowner consent/s or evidence of ownership or support.

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Development Application

Does your project require development approval? *

- Yes
 No

We encourage you to apply for development approval from the relevant consent authority as soon as possible. If your application is successful, approvals can take several months depending on the project's complexity. This will prevent any unnecessary delays to the delivery of your project.

Have you secured Development Approval *

- Yes
 No

If your project has not secured development approval please ensure consideration of this in the Project Plan.

Please outline what stage of the development approval process your project is at.

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If you have secured the necessary Development Approval please upload the approval notification below. *

Attach a file:

Business Plan

Applicants are required to submit a business plan for their project. Business Plans should specifically relate to the project which is the subject of the application and not just the applicant organisation. If applicants do not have an existing business plan you may use the Business Plan Template available at:

<https://business.gov.au/planning/business-plans/develop-your-business-plan>.

You also have the option of using the business plan tool which steps through how to develop a simple business plan:

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[Business plan tool | business.gov.au.](#)

The level of detail provided in your Business Plan should align with the amount of funding being requested.

Please upload your completed Business Plan. *

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Merit Criteria

* indicates a required field

Criteria 1 - Value for Money

Please outline how your project has been designed to ensure efficient use of resources and provide value for money. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 250 words.

Please outline how the cost of this project is justified by the potential benefits that would be delivered for the community. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 250 words.

Criteria 2 - Alignment with Aboriginal Economic Development Objectives

Please outline how this project aligns to the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) Aboriginal Economic Development Objectives. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 250 words.

Aboriginal Economic Development Objectives: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/regional-and-primary-industries/aboriginal-economic-development>

Please identify which DPIRD Aboriginal Economic Objectives the project will directly deliver on and/or enable and how it will achieve this. *

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Word count:

Must be no more than 250 words.

Please outline how the project will deliver long-term benefits for the Aboriginal community. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 250 words.

Long-term benefits refer to the positive outcomes or advantages that are gained or experienced after 3 or more years.

Criteria 3 - Viability and Deliverability

Will your project require ongoing operation and/or maintenance post project completion? *

- Yes
 No

Project Plan

Please step-out your project plan below including the details for each activity expected to be carried out as a result of the funding and the timeframe within each activity will be completed.

Your project plan should consider the program delivery timeframe and make allowance for all planning and approvals required i.e. design, development approvals etc. and the terms surrounding the funding deed

Activity	Location	Start date	End date	Explanatory notes
One per row. Add more rows if you want to list additional activities. Must be no more than 25 words.	Where will your activity occur?	Must be a date.	Must be a date.	

Operation and Maintenance

Please outline who is responsible for the ongoing operation and maintenance of your project post completion. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 250 words.

Please outline who will be responsible for the ongoing maintenance and operation of the project and how it will be financed.

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Key Project Personnel

Applicants are required to demonstrate access to the necessary capabilities and experience required to deliver a successful project.

Project experience should be proportional to the level of funding being sought.

Please include only one person per row. Add more rows if you wish to list additional personnel.

Name	Organisation	Role	Qualification or Experience

Risk Management

A risk is an uncertain event or set of circumstances that, should it occur, will have an effect (either positive or negative) on an achievement of one of more project objectives.

Risk management is a structure process that allows individual risk events and overall project risk to be understood and managed proactively, optimising project success by minimising threats and maximising opportunities.

A Risk Assessment must be provided with your application. Please either complete the risk table below or provide a risk assessment in your business plan.

Risk/impact description	Likelihood	How we will reduce/mitigate this risk

Accessibility and Inclusion

Applicants should demonstrate consideration of accessibility and inclusion measures in their application. Projects should demonstrate the provision of fit-for-purpose, accessible and safe facilities, or increased participation opportunities by increasing accessibility and inclusion measures into the design of the projects/and or programs.

Does your project support equitable participation or engagement of people with a disability? *

Yes - Fully accessible Yes - Partially accessible No - Not accessible at all
Equitable means all people across physical, sensory and cognitive disability can engage in all aspects of the project and benefit from its outcomes on an equal basis with others. Participation or engagement is assumed and embedded, not 'special' or an 'add on'.

Please provide details on the physical sensory and/or cognitive accessibility improvement(s) and/or inclusion(s) that your project has considered. *

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Word count:

Must be no more than 250 words.

Budget - Registered for GST

- GST is not payable on grant payments to local councils under the Program because the payments are between government related entities.
- For eligible applicants registered for GST and where it is payable, NSW Government will pay the approved grant amount plus 10 per cent.

Please ensure the total project cost and total amount requested below are EXCLUSIVE of GST.

Budget - Not Registered for GST

- If eligible applicants are not registered for GST, they will need to incorporate any GST paid by them to third parties into the project budgets and the grant amount.

Please ensure the total project cost and total amount requested below is INCLUSIVE of any GST payable to third parties.

Total Amount Requested

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\$

What is the total financial support you are requesting under this grant?

Co-contribution

Co-contributions are not a requirement of the program, however, cash or in-kind co-contributions can be included as part of your application.

Is your co-contribution cash or in-kind?

- Cash
- In-kind
- Not Applicable

What is the total value of your co-contribution? (if applicable)

Must be a dollar amount.

Expenditure

Please include all expenditure items (including the amount requested and any GST attracted) that you are seeking to fund under the grant.

Please note, these items must be eligible under the grant as according to the guidelines.

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Expenditure description	Expenditure type	Expenditure amount (ex. GST)	Expenditure GST	Expenditure amount (inc. GST)	Notes
		\$	\$	\$	
		Must be a dollar amount.	Must be a dollar amount.	This number/amount is calculated.	

Total Expenditure (Ex GST)

This number/amount is calculated.

Total Expenditure (Inc GST)

This number/amount is calculated.

Please attach quotes and/or detailed estimates for the expenditure (cost) items listed above. *

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Declaration and Authorisation

* indicates a required field

Declaration

I confirm the applicant organisation: *

- is willing and able to enter into a funding deed.
- holds an Australian bank account.

At least 2 choices must be selected.

The Applicant represents and warrants that this application has been submitted by an authorised representative of the Applicant (e.g. CEO, Chief Financial Officer, General Manager, Director, Chair of the Board, President, authorised manager etc).

Where this Application is submitted in the course of employment by a representative of any kind (e.g. authorised representative or agent) of the Applicant, you: (i) acknowledge and agree that the Applicant is deemed to be jointly and separately bound by this application; and (ii) represent and warrant that you have the authority to represent and bind the Applicant as contemplated by this provision.

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By submitting this application form I hereby declare that:

- I agree for my project to be automatically considered in other NSW funding programs;
- I have read and understood each of the acknowledgements, agreements, representations and warranties provided above, and that each of these are true and correct;
- All information provided including the responses to each question in the relevant sections of this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge;
- Any information contained in this application may be disclosed to other Government agencies, staff administering the program, and to external stakeholders (including consultants, lawyers and other advisers) as part of the assessment of this application;
- I am authorised to submit this application on behalf of, and have the authority to represent and bind the Applicant;
- I understand that any false declaration may render this application ineligible/invalid; and
- All relevant conflicts of interest have been declared

Authorisation

I agree *

Yes

Name of authorised person *

Title First Name Last Name

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Must be a senior staff member, board member or appropriately authorised volunteer

Position *

Position held in applicant organisation (e.g. CEO, Treasurer)

Phone number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

We may contact you to verify that this application is authorised by the applicant organisation

Email *

Must be an email address.

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