Bushfire Fast Tracked Projects



Project selection

Projects considered as a fast-tracked project must:

- have been submitted for funding through NSW Government funding programs or otherwise identified as a local priority project
- be shovel-ready, meaning work can commence within six months

Each project will be reviewed to ensure that it meets the Commonwealth LER Fund Framework criteria as follows:

Project Criteria	Alignment to Criteria
Balance and Need	Project must be located within an identified bushfire impacted LGA.
Alignment	Project must be linked to the Regional Economic Development Strategy or other local and regional recovery or priority planning.
Enduring benefit	Project must demonstrate that its outcomes are likely to provide an ongoing benefit; either social, economic or environmental.
Funding stream suitability	Project must not be able to be funded through currently available government funding streams.
Local participation, support and delivery	A project must either be identified by the community through a local or regional recovery plan or, through the information provided, demonstrate that it has local support.
Evidence base	Project outcome must demonstrate that it will support either economic recovery or improved regional resilience to future events.
Feasibility	NSW Government considers the project to be deliverable and have suitable risk mitigation strategies, assessed with the support of NSW Public Works Advisory.

Project types

Projects must support the recovery of the local community's economy, social well-being, environment or improve resilience to future natural disasters and align with one of the following categories:

- enabling infrastructure
- industry and business development
- social development
- natural environment and resource development
- business environment adaptation

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Project approval

A package of suitable projects will be submitted by the Department of Regional NSW for consideration of the NSW Expenditure Review Committee (ERC).

Projects approved by the NSW ERC will be provided to the Commonwealth to review and endorse under the national guidelines.

