



**Australian Government**

**Department of Infrastructure, Transport,  
Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts**

# **Safer Local Roads Infrastructure Program (SLRIP)**

## **Information for Applicants**

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# About the program

- | To deliver safer and more productive roads
- | \$200 million per year
- | Application-based, merit-assessed
- | Two application rounds per year
- | Open to state and territory governments and LGAs



# Changes since last funding round

**1** 4 program objectives

**2** 3 project streams

**3** Greater emphasis on road safety

**4** Up to 90% funding for remote projects

**5** Removal of the HVRA-specific assessment criterion

**6** Two funding rounds per year

**7** New application form

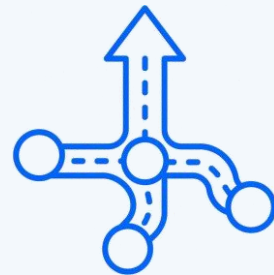


# Program objectives



**01**

**Road safety**  
(key objective, required)



**02**

**Productivity**



**03**

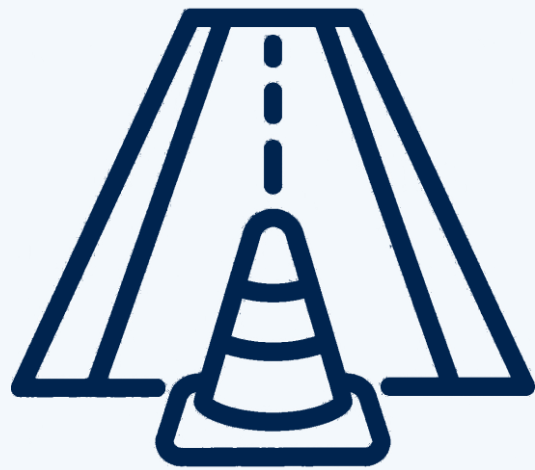
**Road resilience**



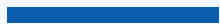
**04**

**Sustainability**

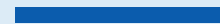
# Project Streams



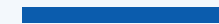
**Road construction  
and upgrades**



**Bridge renewal**



**Heavy vehicle  
facilities**



# Eligibility criteria

Applications are open to state and territory governments, and Local Government Authorities



**1** Deliver a road safety outcome

**2** Align with one of the project streams

**3** Be for construction on an existing or proposed public road

**4** Be a whole and complete project

# Examples of ineligible projects

Projects that are on private roads

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Projects that have started construction

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Projects that operate on a user-pays basis

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Design only projects

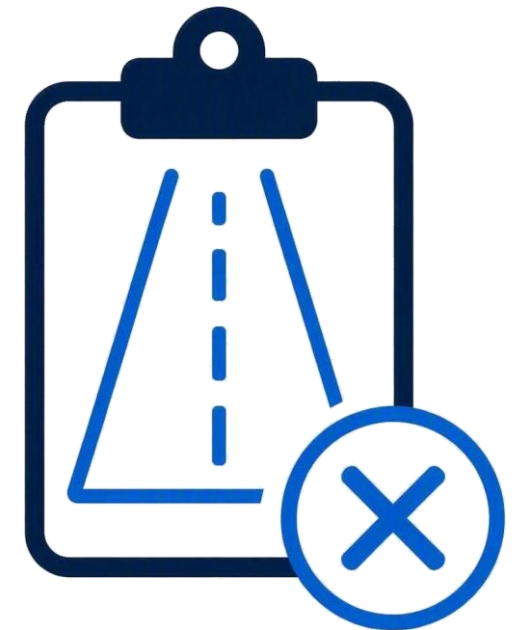
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Projects that are not whole and complete

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Projects that do not comply with funding rules

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Maintenance projects

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Projects that are not on or associated with a public road

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Resealing a section of road where you have applied to reseal an adjoining section in the same funding round

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Projects where the applicant has already secured full funding from other sources

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# Funding rules

Maximum Program funding per project

**\$5 million**



## For projects submitted by LGAs, the Program will contribute:

- up to 90% projects located in remote areas
- up to 80% projects located in regional areas
- up to 50% projects located in urban areas

## For projects submitted by state and territory governments, the Program will contribute:

- up to 50% for all projects, regardless of project location

*Use **maps.abs.gov.au** to determine whether your project is in an urban, regional or remote location*

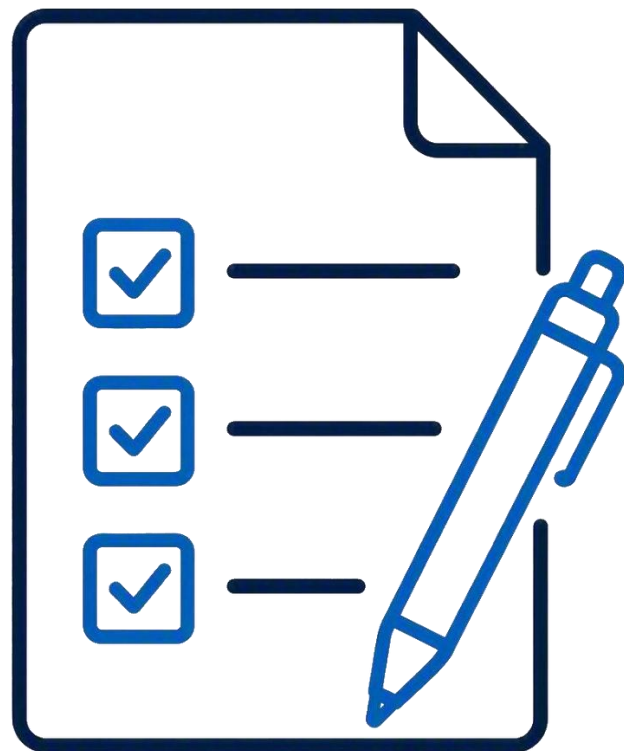


# Project delivery timeframes

| Delivery milestone                    | Construction only projects                 | Design and construction projects           |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| Completion of pre-construction design | Not applicable                             | Within 12 months of funding offer approval |
| Commencement of construction          | Within 12 months of funding offer approval | Within 12 months of completion of design   |
| Completion of construction            | Within 2 years of construction start       | Within 2 years of construction start       |



# How to apply



**1**

**Read the guidelines and other resources**

**2**

**Complete project details in RPM**

[rpmportal.infrastructure.gov.au](https://rpmportal.infrastructure.gov.au)



**3**

**Prepare application form and supporting documents, and upload to RPM**

**4**

**Submit by 31 January 2027**

# Merit assessment

1 | Strategic fit



2 | Project benefits and impact



3 | Project deliverability



**60%**

**minimum score against each assessment  
criterion to be considered meritorious**

# Decision making and outcomes

**1**

**Assessments complete**

**2**

**Recommendations prepared**

**3**

**Minister decision**

**4**

**Applicants notified**



# Successful applicants



- |   |                               |
|---|-------------------------------|
| 1 | Department contacts proponent |
| 2 | Inception meeting             |
| 3 | Confirm arrangements          |
| 4 | Funding offer issued          |
| 5 | Funding offer returned        |

# Further resources

## SLRIP main webpage

Program overview and general information.

<https://investment.infrastructure.gov.au/about/local-initiatives/safer-local-roads-infrastructure-program>

## SLRIP resources webpage

Application form, guidelines, applicant guide, FAQs and supporting resources for funding recipients.

<https://investment.infrastructure.gov.au/resources-funding-recipients/safer-local-roads-infrastructure-program-resources>



## Application enquiries

[SLRIP-applications@infrastructure.gov.au](mailto:SLRIP-applications@infrastructure.gov.au)

## Assistance with RPM

[RPMsupport@infrastructure.gov.au](mailto:RPMsupport@infrastructure.gov.au)





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# Q & A