## Protecting our Communities (Disaster Resilience) Program

## Fact Sheet

## About the program

The **Protecting Our Communities (Disaster Resilience)** (POC) program will deliver important disaster resilience projects across Australia that have been identified by communities to improve their disaster resilience and preparedness for further disasters at the local level. The program will provide up to $34.2 million to deliver 30 projects.

The program will be delivered in two Tranches, with Tranche 1 open now.

## Some quick facts

Eligibility You can only apply for an POC grant if you have received an invitation by email from the Australian Government. You must satisfy all eligibility criteria per the guidelines to receive funding.

Closing Date Applications must be submitted to us within 10 working days of receiving your invitation to apply for the grant, including all supporting evidence.

Grant application You will be required to complete and submit a grant application to address the eligibility and assessment criteria for the election commitment to be confirmed.

Assessment We assess all grant applications against the eligibility and assessment criteria and make recommendations to the Program Delegate.

Notification We will notify both successful and unsuccessful applicants of the outcome of their application.

Grant agreement If your application is successful, we will enter into a grant agreement with you.

Delivery of Grant You will undertake the activities outlined in the grant agreement to deliver the project and we will monitor your progress and make payments when project requirements are being met.

Grant Period You must complete your project by the project end date specified in your grant agreement.

Further information

This fact sheet is intended to complement our Guidelines for this program. Please read the guidelines as well as this fact sheet prior to contacting us.

If you have any questions, please contact us via phone on 0482 655 902 or by email at [RegionalPrograms@nema.gov.au](mailto:RegionalPrograms@nema.gov.au).