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# Roads Infrastructure & Funding Programs for Local Government

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## Reporting and Program Management (RPM)



## What to expect









#### **IMS to RPM**

Core functionality

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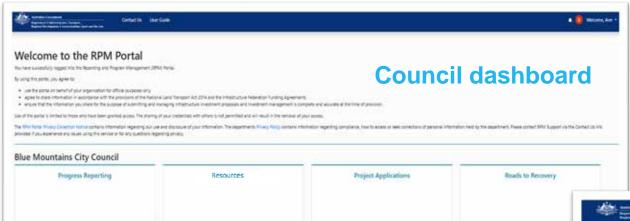
Look and feel

Different

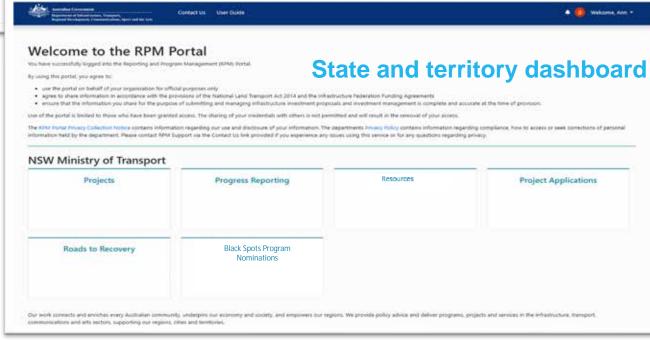
New features

New

#### RPM portal homepage



- The different RPM portal dashboards are reflective of current state and territory practices
- RPM can be updated if these practices change



#### RPM portal – feature map





§ View list of historical **Annual Reports** 

§ Download and submit Annual Report

§ View historical

payments

§ Create a project application for Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program and Heavy Vehicle Rest Area Initiative

Visit the RPM website to access user guides and other support materials

#### **Project Applications** Resources



Roads to Recovery

- Create a project application
- View status of your account allocation
- Search of projects
- Update draft applications
- View projects in your work schedule

#### **Key contacts**

Report

§ Update and

submit quarterly

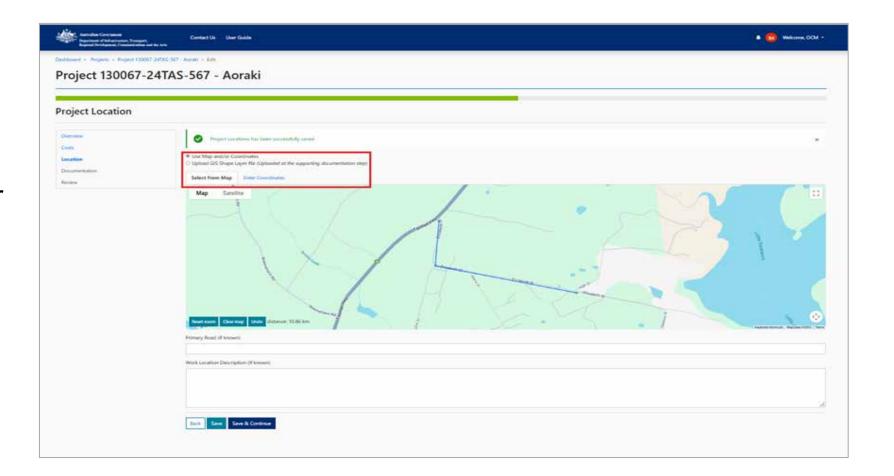
Expenditure

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#### RPM portal – with some new features

- Select point to point location
- Enter coordinates manually
- Upload GIS shape layer file



#### **Transition considerations**

#### **Data migration**

All current project information will be migrated

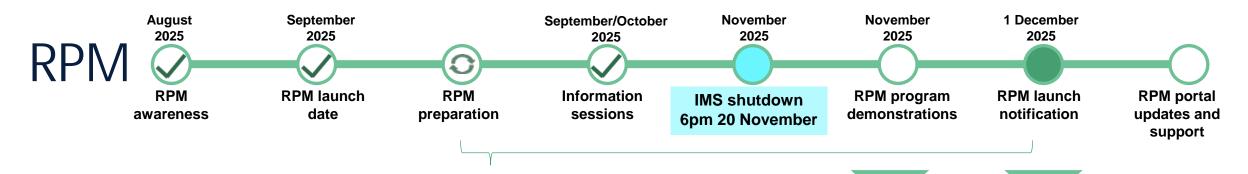
#### What will not be immediately available on the RPM portal

- Historical reports including
  - RTR 23/24 annual report
  - RTR 23/24 expenditure

#### **Data availability**

IMS will shutdown from 6:00pm, 20 November 2025

#### **RPM transition timeline**



#### **RPM** portal applications

Continue to submit and we will endeavour to grant access from 1 December

## RPM portal program demonstrations

Focus on program features and scenarios for the first three months

## RPM demonstration dates

- 11am Friday 14 November
- 2pm Friday 14 November
- 11am Tuesday 18 November
- 11am Wednesday
   19 November

## RPM portal day 1 guide

Outline of what to do on your first day using the RPM portal

## RPM portal virtual support sessions

Held daily from 1 to 5 December

#### For more information and access to resources, visit the RPM website



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## Targeted programs

Over \$19 billion of the 10-year, over \$120 billion infrastructure investment pipeline is assigned to sub-programs that support road safety and regional investment.

- Funding goes to road and community infrastructure available nationally.
- Programs are delivered in partnership with state, territory and local governments.

#### **Targeted Infrastructure Programs**

#### **Ongoing Programs**

- Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program (SLRIP), including the Heavy Vehicle Rest Area (HVRA) Initiative
- Black Spots Program
- Roads to Recovery (RTR) Program
- National Land Transport Network (NLTN) Maintenance Program

#### **Temporary Programs**

- Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program
- Road Safety Program
- Remote Roads Upgrade Pilot Program (RRUPP)
- Regional Level Crossing Upgrade Fund (RLCUF)
- Active Transport Fund (ATF)



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## Safer Local Roads and Infrastructure Program (SLRIP)

 Applications are open to all state and territory governments and local government authorities

At least \$200 million in funding is available each year

• The next opportunity to apply will be from 1 December 2025.

#### Heavy Vehicle Rest Area (HVRA) initiative

- The Australian Government has committed \$140 million over 10 years to support new and upgraded heavy vehicle rest areas.
- The focus is on increasing productivity and safety for drivers through delivery of new and upgraded rest area facilities.
- Applications are open to all state and territory governments and local government authorities





Online Survey - Where Rest Areas Are Needed

#### Other important information

#### **Events**



## Signage



Find out more here about signage requirements: investment.infrastructure.gov.au/resources-funding-recipients/signage-guidelines

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## **Black Spots Program**



#### **Black Spots Program**

- Funding progressively increasing to \$150 million per year
- Funds safety works where crashes are occurring, and at risk of occurring, now with more flexibility for proactive projects
- Reduced crash rate requirements from 0.2 casualty crashes down to 0.13 casualty crashes per km per year, for sites outside metropolitan areas.
- Australian Government funds up to 100% of project costs up to a maximum of \$3 million per project.
- Find out more here: Investment.infrastructure.gov.au/about/localinitiatives/black-spot-program

The Black Spots Program saves lives.

## What is the Black Spots Program (BSP)?

- Provides up to 100% funding for road safety treatments at locations where crashes are occurring or likely to occur.
- Annual funding has increased to \$150 million from 2025-26.
- Commenced in 1996 is one of the longest running infrastructure programs.
- Treatments such as traffic signals, roundabouts, street lighting, pedestrian amenities, guardrails, linemarking

- Up to \$3 million per project available to deliver treatments no co-funding contribution requirements.
- Anyone can nominate a location for Black Spots funding.
- Nominations are assessed by statebased consultative panels
- Proponents have 2 years (3 years in exceptional circumstances) to deliver projects.
- Payments are made quarterly.

## Funding eligibility under the BSP

#### **Eligible**

- Dangerous spots or stretches of road where there is a history of crashes (reactive projects) or a road safety audit (proactive projects).
- Road safety-related construction, alterations and remedial action to treat road safety problems.
- Projects can include project planning and design costs, up to 10% of total funding.

#### Not eligible

- Purchasing road building plant or equipment
- Maintenance costs
- Cosmetic purposes eg planting or landscaping
- Enforcement technology
- Costs incurred after construction
- Projects where construction has been completed prior to Ministerial approval.



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## Roads to Recovery Program



## Roads to Recovery (RTR) Program

- \$4.4 billion in funding available to 552 funding recipients.
- Current five-funding period commenced on 1 July 2024.
- Around 90 per cent of all funding recipients have schedule one or more projects.
- More than 5480 projects have been scheduled so far in this funding period.



## What is the Roads to Recovery (RTR) Program?

- Makes funding available to local governments across Australia
- Supports the maintenance of the nation's local road infrastructure assets, which facilitates greater accessibility and improved safety, economic and social outcomes
- \$4.4 billion in funding over the funding period (2024-29)
- Allocation-based program i.e. noncompetitive funding

- Projects must be related to the construction and/or maintenance of a local road to be eligible
- Projects can be nominated at any point within the five-year program period
- No co-funding requirements
- Funding recipients must submit an Expenditure Report to receive funding
- Payments are made quarterly

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#### For further information:

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