

2026 Alcoa Bushfire Ready Grants Application

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Grant Program Guidelines

Alcoa Bushfire Ready Fund

The Alcoa Bushfire Ready Grants aim to support community organisations in initiatives that enhance preparedness and protection against bushfires.

Project Objectives

The key objectives of the grant program are to:

- 1. Enhance Community Preparedness:** Support projects that improve the readiness of communities to respond to bushfire threats. This can include education programs that raise awareness about bushfire risks and preparedness strategies.
- 2. Mitigate Bushfire Risks:** Fund initiatives that reduce the risk and impact of bushfires through proactive measures.
- 3. Support Volunteer Efforts:** Support volunteer bushfire brigades to enhance their capacity and effectiveness.
- 4. Promote Collaboration:** Encourage partnerships between local government authorities, non-government organisations, local Traditional Owners or Aboriginal ranger groups and community groups to address bushfire challenges.

Funding Parameters

- **Grant Amount:** Minimum of \$5,000 and up to \$20,000 per project.
- **Funding Duration:** Projects must be completed within 12 months from the date of grant approval.
- **Location:** Projects must benefit the regions where Alcoa operates in WA and Victoria (defined as the areas in and surrounding Kwinana, Peel and the upper South West of Western Australia and the Glenelg Shire of Victoria).

Areas Not Permitted

Alcoa will not support grants that:

- Are political or sectarian in nature
- Are for the sole benefit of an individual
- Are commercial in nature
- Involve prize money for professional sport
- Promote/involve discrimination, racial hatred or any illegal activity

Eligible Expenses

- Equipment and supplies necessary for bushfire preparedness and response

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- Training and capacity-building activities for volunteers and community members
- Public awareness campaigns and educational materials
- Collaborative projects involving multiple community organisations and projects that support community preparedness
- Research and development of innovative bushfire mitigation strategies, including the application of cultural fire management practices

Ineligible Expenses

- Operational costs not directly related to the project
- Salaries and wages for existing staff
- Projects that do not align with the program objectives

Eligibility

* indicates a required field

Program

This field is read only.

Applicants: please note

Before completing this application form, you should have read the [grant guidelines](#).

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

This section of the application form is designed to help you, and us, understand if you are eligible for this grant. It is crucial that you complete these questions before any others to ensure you do not waste your time applying for an unsuitable grant.

If you have any questions in regards to these eligibility criteria, please contact sally.fairnie@alcoa.com

If you do contact us throughout the application process, please quote the application number below:

Application Number

This field is read only.

Confirmation of Eligibility

I confirm that the applicant ...

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- Has read and understands the partnership guidelines
- Is able to demonstrate alignment between their project and the Alcoa Bushfire Ready Grants key objectives
- Is a not-for-profit organisation with a valid ABN
- Is able to demonstrate financial viability
- Does not have any outstanding acquittal reports or money owed to Alcoa as a result of previous funding or grants
- Has the appropriate type and level of insurance for the activities that are the subject of this grant
- Is not political or sectarian in nature
- Is not for the sole benefit of an individual
- Is not commercial in nature

Please select below: *

Yes No

You must confirm that all statements above are true and correct.

Contact Details

* indicates a required field

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Applicant Details

Name of Organisation *

Organisation Name

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.

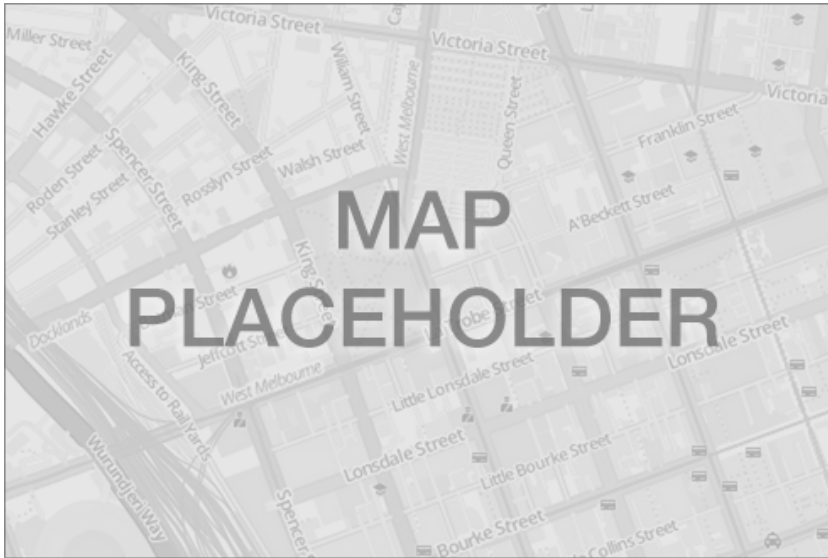
Department/Branch/Faculty

Use this field only if relevant.

Organisation primary address

Address

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Organisation postal address

Address

Organisation primary phone number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Organisation email address *

Must be an email address.

Organisation website

Must be a URL.

Organisation Logo

Attach a file:



Upload a logo or image that represents your organisation. Drag and resize the square to define the area of the image you wish to submit.

Primary Contact Details

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Primary contact *

Title	First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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

Position held in organisation *

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

Primary contact phone number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Primary contact email address *

This is the address we will use to correspond with you about this grant.

Organisation Details

* indicates a required field

What is your organisation's purpose or mission? *

Word count:

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	

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What type of not-for-profit organisation are you? *

- Volunteer Bushfire Brigade
- Indigenous corporation, association or cooperative
- Local Government Authority
- Educational institution (includes pre-schools, schools, universities & higher education providers)
- Environmental NGO
- Community group
- General not-for-profit (i.e. none of the sub-types listed above)
- Other:

Please choose the option that best applies to your organisation.

Government officials include:

- Officials and employees at all levels of governments, including schools and universities
- Military personnel
- Candidates for political office and political parties
- Employees of government-owned or controlled businesses
- Employees and officials of public international organisations
- Formal or informal leaders of Indigenous communities

Are any of your executive team or board members current government officials or immediate relatives of current government officials? *

- Yes
- No

Please provide names, roles and/or relationship details *

Previous dealings with Alcoa

Has the organisation partnered with Alcoa previously? *

- Yes
- No

Please provide details of previous partnerships (including if you have previously received a Bushfire Ready Grant) *

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Please provide details of any Alcoa employees associated with your organisation or this project

Auspice Information

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Is your organisation auspiced by another organisation for the purpose of this grant? *

Yes No

Unincorporated organisations applying for a grant must be auspiced by an incorporated organisation. If you do not have an auspice you should not apply for this grant.

Auspice Organisation Details

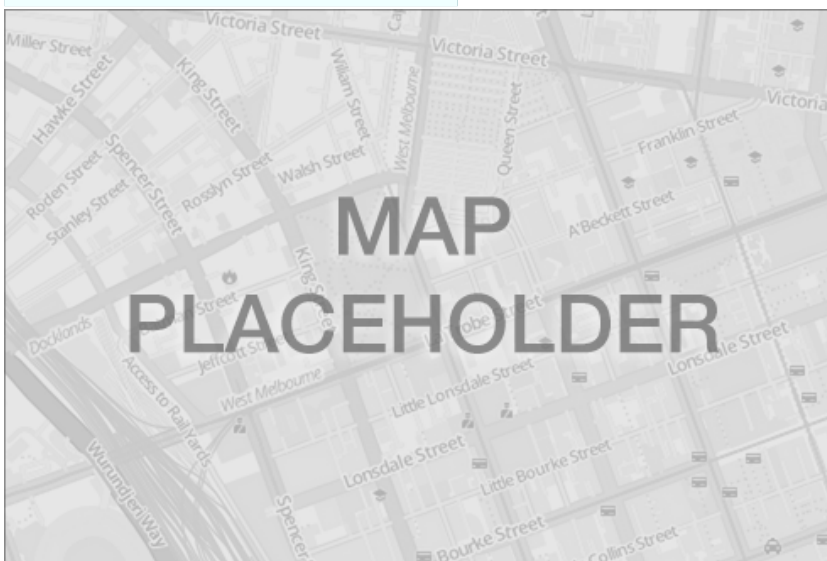
Auspice organisation name *

Organisation Name

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.

Auspice primary address

Address



Auspice postal address

Address

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Must be an ABN.

As the auspice organisation does not have an ABN, please submit a completed ATO Statement by a Supplier Form with your application, otherwise 48.5% of any approved grant may be withheld. Download the form from [the ATO website](#).

Please upload completed Statement of Supplier Form: *

Attach a file:

Max 25mb per file uploaded

Project Details

* indicates a required field

Project title: *

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

Anticipated start date *

Must be a date and no earlier than 1/8/2026.

If unknown, provide your best guess or leave blank

Anticipated end date *

Must be a date and no later than 31/7/2027.

If unknown, provide your best guess or leave blank

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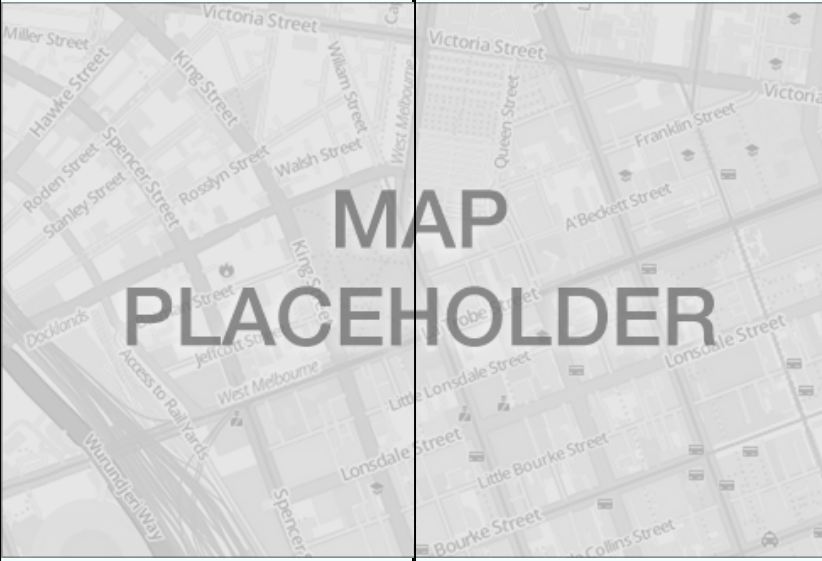
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Please provide a summary of your initiative, including its objectives and key activities. *

Project Location

Please provide information on the location(s) of where the project will take place.

- Site name
- Site address
- LGA

Project site name	Project site address	Project LGA
	Suburb/Town, State/Province, and Postcode are required.	
		

Outputs

What outputs are you expecting to produce through this initiative?

Outputs are the immediate, obvious, and (usually) countable changes a project/program generates. Examples would include the number of firefighting equipment purchased, the number of workshops to be held, the number people expected to attend a training course, the number of volunteers to be engaged.

List your initiative's intended outputs, including approximate numbers (if possible), in the following table. Leave blank any fields that do not apply to your initiative.

Number	Who or What	Service / Product / Activity	Timeframe

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(Approximate, or leave blank if unknown)	e.g. volunteers, Traditional Owner, equipment, workshops	e.g. trained in the use of equipment; shared knowledge/learnings, raised awareness	e.g. over life of program; per annum; per month
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Milestones

What are the major steps / stages (i.e. milestones) involved in delivering your initiative?

Milestone	Start Date (if known)	Finish Date (if known)	Notes
One per row. e.g. Planning, purchasing, training sessions, project roll out.	Leave blank if date is unknown or not relevant. Must be a date.	Leave blank if date is unknown or not relevant. Must be a date.	Add notes if you need to provide more context.

Beneficiaries Targets

Please detail how the success of the project and partnership with Alcoa would be measured and reported back as part of the final acquittal process.

Total number of expected beneficiaries* (people) to participate in the project or program *

Must be a number.

*Beneficiaries should only be counted once for the duration of the project/life of current agreement.

Total number of Indigenous participants expected to be involved in the project

Must be a number.

*Individuals counted once for the duration of the project/life of current agreement. Leave blank if not applicable.

Total number of females expected to be involved in the project (where relevant)

Must be a number.

*Individuals only counted once for the duration of the project/life of current agreement. Leave blank if not applicable.

Does this initiative have community support? In particular, do the beneficiary and/or geographic communities affected by this project/program support the activities you are proposing? *

Yes

No

Don't know

Not Applicable

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Evidence of community support is generally highly regarded as projects with community buy-in tend to be more successful.

What evidence do you have that this project/program has community support?

Please upload letters of support (if available/relevant)

Attach a file:

A maximum of 5 files can be attached

Benefits to Alcoa

Please details the benefits that would be delivered to Alcoa should it support the project and how they would be measured and reported back on as part of the acquittal process.

Acknowledgement *

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alcoa logo on promo material | <input type="checkbox"/> Social media posts | <input type="checkbox"/> Alcoa logo placement at associated events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Media coverage | <input type="checkbox"/> Story/s on website | <input type="checkbox"/> Alcoa banners on display |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Naming rights | <input type="checkbox"/> Articles in newsletters | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="text"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Project video | | |

Choose all that apply

Communication activities *

List the communication activities that would occur as part of the project including quantities of each (for example 2 x social media posts, 1 x logo on equipment, 1 x pull up banner at event, article in staff newsletter). Be specific.

Budget

* indicates a required field

All amounts should **exclude** GST

Total Amount Requested *

\$

Must be a whole dollar amount (no cents) and between 5000 and 20000.

What is the total financial support you are requesting in this application?

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Total Project/Program Cost *

Must be a whole dollar amount (no cents).
What is the total budgeted cost (dollars) of your project?

Project Budget (Income)

Please outline your project budget in the income and expenditure tables below, including details of other funding that you have applied for, whether it has been confirmed or not. All amounts should **exclude** GST.

Provide clear descriptions for each budget item in the 'Income' and 'Expenditure' columns.

Examples of income could include:

- local council community grant
- trivia fundraising night
- Alcoa Bushfire Ready Grant

Examples of expenses could include:

- firefighting equipment (be specific)
- education materials
- training costs

Use the 'Notes' column for any additional information you think we should be aware of.

Your budget **should** balance (TOTAL INCOME AMOUNT = TOTAL EXPENDITURE AMOUNT). Please **do not add commas** to figures - e.g. type \$1000 not \$1,000 - this will ensure your figures for each table total correctly.

Income description Is this funding confirmed? Income BUDGETED Notes

Income description	Is this funding confirmed?	Income BUDGETED	Notes
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
Provide a clear description for each budget item. Examples of income could include 'council community grant', 'trivia fundraising night', 'company X sponsorship'.		Enter the total amount expected to be received. Must be a dollar amount.	Add notes if you need to provide more context

Project Budget (Expenditure)

Do NOT include GST

Expenditure description Expenditure BUDGETED Notes

Expenditure description	Expenditure BUDGETED	Notes
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	

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	\$	
Provide clear descriptions for each budget item. Examples of expenses could include 'equipment, printing, venue for training'	Enter the total amount to be expended on this budget item. Must be a dollar amount.	Add notes if you need to provide more context.

Budget Totals

Total Income Amount

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

Total Expenditure Amount

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

Income - Expenditure

This number/amount is calculated.

What other inputs will you need in order Confirmed? to successfully carry out this project?

Non-financial inputs could include staff/volunteers time/expertise, equipment, facilities, pro bono or in-kind contributions, advocacy, and other types of support.	

Applicant Capacity

* indicates a required field

Now that we know about your project/program, we want to find out more about your organisation's ability to undertake the work you propose. Please provide some information about your organisation that will give us confidence that you can complete the work you've described in this application. *

Include in this section information about your strategies for providing the inputs (money, staff/volunteers time/expertise, equipment, facilities, pro bono or in-kind contributions, advocacy, etc.) and how you will complete this project/program within the proposed timelines. Provide information also about any past work that may demonstrate your organisation's capacity to undertake this work.

Certification and Feedback

* indicates a required field

Certification

This section must be completed by an appropriately authorised person on behalf of the applicant organisation (may be different to the contact person listed earlier in this

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application form). The person whose name appears here must be authorised to accept responsibility for ensuring that the funds are used for the requested purpose.

- **I certify that to the best of my knowledge the statements made within this application are true and correct, and I understand that if the applicant organisation is approved for this grant, we will be required to accept the terms and conditions of the grant as outlined in the letter of approval.**
- **I have read and understand the Alcoa Bushfire Ready Grant Guidelines**
- **I have completed all sections of the Application Form.**
- **I have included supporting documentation where required.**
- **I acknowledge completion of this Application Form does not guarantee funding from Alcoa.**
- **If successful in securing support from Alcoa, I understand that the I will be required to provide evidence of all agreed elements of this support as part of the acquittal process within one month of project completion.**

In making this application to Alcoa of Australia, I agree that the funds requested will be used only for the purpose described and any unused portion will be returned immediately to Alcoa of Australia.

I further agree that I accept responsibility for ensuring the recognition elements of any agreement are achieved and that all acquittal documents will be completed and returned.

I agree *

Yes

No

Name of authorised person *

Title

First Name

Last Name

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

Position *

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

Contact phone number *

Must be an Australian phone number.

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

Contact Email *

Must be an email address.

Date *

Must be a date