Australian Government

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



Secretary
Jim Betts
Chief of Staff
Angela French

*Denotes acting
☐ Taskforce
Organisational structure
current as at 2 November 2026

GROUP (Deputy Secretary)



Deputy Secretary
Creative Economy and the Arts
Stephen Arnott



Deputy Secretary
Transport
Paula Stagg*



Deputy Secretary
Regional Development and Infrastructure
Jessica Hall



Deputy Secretary
Communications, Media and Sport
David Mackay



Deputy Secretary / Chief Operating Officer
Corporate and Territories
Ruth Wall*

DIVISION (First Assistant Secretary / SES Band 2)

Office for the Arts
Alison Todd*

Domestic Aviation and Reform
Jennifer Stace

International Aviation, Technology and Services
Richard Wood

Surface Transport Emissions and Policy
Tristan Kathage*

Aviation Consumer Ombuds Scheme
Samantha Palmer

Regional Development, Northern Australia & Local Government
Lisa Rauter

Road Vehicle Regulation
Karen Najjar*

Commonwealth Infrastructure Projects
Katrina Kendall*

Land Transport Infrastructure
Lachlan Wood*

Office for Sport
Travis Haslam

Digital Policy, Online Safety & Classification
Clare Chapple*

Communications Services and Systems
Jason Ashurst*

Consumer Safeguards, Media and Connectivity
Sam Grunhard

Triple Zero Custodian
Jennie Hood*

Territories
Kim Forbes

Finance, Strategy, Budget and Research
Phil Smith (CFO)

Information Technology and Data
Jeff Goedecke (CIO)

Legal and Integrity
Christie McClure

Enabling Services
Susan Charles (CPO)

First Nations Partnerships
Lil Gordon

BRANCH (Assistant Secretary / SES Band 1)

Arts Development and Investment
Julia Balkwell*

National Cultural Policy and Programs
Sharon Powney*

Collections and Cultural Heritage
Kartika Medcraft-Smith

Creative Industries
Jason Potkins*

First Nations Policy
David Doble*

Domestic Policy and Programs
Nicole Power

Western Sydney Airport Regulatory Policy
Danny Namgyal*

Land Transport Policy
Sally Todd

Sydney Airport Slots & Consumer Aviation Reforms
Ben Meagher

International Aviation
Jim Wolfe*

Maritime and Shipping
Romy Collier*

Airports
Sarah Nattey

Airport Environment
Sonia Bradley

Safety and Future Technology
Mike Hogben

Transport Accessibility and Future Fuels
Brendon Buckley

Reducing Surface Transport Emissions
Merryn Cavenagh*

Strategic Fleet
David Jansen

Airservices Financial Strategy
Jeewantha (Jee) Karunarathna

Road User Charging (RUC) Taskforce
Lulu Ou*

Office of Northern Australia
Kynan Gowland*

Vehicle Safety Policy and Partnerships
Melissa Cashman

Intermodals, Strategic Infrastructure Projects & Governance
David Muldoon

QLD Infrastructure Investment and Brisbane 2032 Games Venues
Bill Brummitt

National Programs
Paul Cutting

Vehicle Safety Operations
Drew Ward*

Rail Delivery
Rachel Figurski

Budget, Policy and Assurance
Simon Milnes

Regional Development and Local Government
Tori Wright

New Vehicle Efficiency Standards Regulator
Karen Najjar

WSI Delivery, High Speed Rail & Infrastructure Advisory
Chiara McNabb*

WA and NT Infrastructure Investment
Melony Czajor

Community Infrastructure & Major Projects
Jacinta McDonald

Transport Partnerships and Emerging Technology
Mike Makin

Office of Road Safety & Programs
John Bowdery*

NSW and ACT Infrastructure Investment
Lok Potticary

Northern Territory Projects Taskforce
Joanna Piva

VIC, TAS and SA Infrastructure Investment
Jane Butler*

Infrastructure Investment Reform
Toby Robinson

National Sports Tribunal
Glenn Turnor (Dep CEO)

Sport Policy and Programs
Greg Perrett

Major Sporting Events
Carolyn Paterson

Online Safety
Nolan Noeng*

Classification
Mitchell Cole

Broadband and Post
Shanyn Sparreboom

Telecommunications Industry
Andrew Irwin

Connectivity Programs
Deb Fearns*

Consumer Safeguards& Regulator Governance
Kate McMullan

Custodian Operations & Oversight
Kimberley Wilson

Triple Zero Access & Assurance
Andrew Johnson

Multilateral Engagement and AI
Ian Sheldon*

Digital Platforms
Andrew Hyles

Gambling Reforms Taskforce
Ruvani Panagoda*

Universal Telecommunications Services Policy and Delivery
Andreas Bleich

Telecommunications Deployment & Preparedness
Beth Duncan*

Broadcasting & Media Reform
James Penprase

Inclusion, News & Media Diversity
Naa Opoku

Indian Ocean Territories
Ben Vincent

Territories Enabling Services
Michael Gregory

Norfolk Island & Mainland Territories
Bec Rush

Territories Strategy & Legislation
Jo Neuling

Budget Engagement & Strategy
Chiew Lee*

Financial Management
Emily Jasprizza*

BITRE & BCARR
Georgia O'Cianain

Strategy, Economic Policy, Performance & Evaluation
Simon O'Mahony*

Strategy, Architecture & Cyber Security
Rob Doughty

Digital Delivery
Julia Pennington*

Data, AI, Governance & Information Management
Kim Paterson*

Commercial Law
Kathryn (Katy) Grimes

Public Law
Caterina (Cate) Laria*

Integrity
Andrew Burke

Communication
Cathie Kennedy

Integrated Services
Kylie Donovan

Enterprise Resource Planning Program
Anthony Howatson

Government & Business Services
Adrienne Lucas*

People
Melina Saunders

Projects, Policy and Coordination
John Tapim*

Culture, Capability and Collaboration
Nick Scrymgour*

PORTFOLIO ENTITY / OFFICAL

- Australian National Maritime Museum
- National Gallery of Australia
- Screen Australia
- Creative Australia
- Australian Film, Television and Radio School
- National Archives of Australia
- Bundanon Trust
- National Library of Australia
- National Film and Sound Archive
- National Museum of Australia
- National Portrait Gallery of Australia
- Museum of Australian Democracy

- Airservices Australia
- Australian Transport Safety Bureau
- Civil Aviation Safety Authority
- Australian Maritime Safety Authority

- Northern Australia Infrastructure Facility
- National Transport Commission
- High Speed Rail Authority
- Infrastructure Australia
- National Intermodal Corporation Ltd
- Australian Rail Track Corporation Ltd
- WSA Co. Ltd

- Australian Sports Commission
- Sport Integrity Australia
- Australian Sports Foundation
- National Sports Tribunal
- eSafety Commissioner
- Australian Postal Corporation
- NBN Co. Ltd
- Australian Communications and Media Authority
- Australian Broadcasting Corporation
- Special Broadcasting Service Corporation

- National Capital Authority