



Australian Government

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Regional Connectivity Program—removed projects

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Regional Connectivity Program – Round 1

Applicant	Project name	Technology type	Location	State	Project description	Grant amount (GST inclusive)
Comscentre WA Pty Ltd	Radio Access Network: Shire of Halls Creek	Fixed Wireless Broadband	Halls Creek	WA	The project will construct a fixed wireless network to deliver reliable, high speed broadband services and public Wi-Fi to the remote Aboriginal communities of Balgo (Wirrimanu), Billiluna (Mindibungu), Mulan and Ringer Soak (Kundat Djaru) located in the Shire of Halls Creek in the East Kimberley region of Western Australia. The network will provide improved connectivity to support access to online learning resources for the schools in these communities, as well as the uptake of new business technologies by local small businesses.	\$1,897,500.00
Country Broadband Network Pty Ltd	Connecting the Outback	Fixed Wireless Broadband	Boggabilla	NSW	The project will extend Country Broadband Network's existing fixed wireless network in the Boggabilla area. The network will provide access to high-speed broadband connectivity for up to 400 people, enabling the uptake of new agricultural and business technologies and improving access to telehealth and education services.	\$130,000.00

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Field Solutions Group	R.A.N: Carathool	Fixed Wireless Broadband	Carathool	NSW	The project will deploy a fixed wireless network in the Carathool region of South Western NSW. The network will extend high-speed broadband connectivity into areas with limited existing coverage, enabling the uptake of new agricultural and business technologies in a crop growing and horticultural area. The project will also enable greater access to telehealth and education services.	\$693,563
Field Solutions Group	R.A.N: Mareeba	Fixed Wireless Broadband	Mareeba	QLD	The project will deploy a fixed wireless network in the wider Mareeba region, west of Cairns. The network will extend high-speed broadband connectivity into areas with limited existing coverage such as Petford and Chillagoe, enabling the uptake of new agricultural and business technologies and improving access to telehealth and education services.	\$2,183,087
Field Solutions Group	R.A.N (Regional Australia Network): Murrumbidgee	Fixed Wireless Broadband	Murrumbidgee	NSW	The project will deploy a fixed wireless network in the Murrumbidgee region, southwest of Leeton. The network will extend high-speed broadband connectivity into areas with limited existing coverage, enabling the uptake of new agricultural and business technologies for local irrigators and tourist providers and improving access to telehealth and education services.	\$720,823
Field Solutions Group	Satellite Backhaul Broadband Services for NT Remote Communities	Satellite Broadband	Arrawerr, Mungkarta, Gan Gan, Wandawuy	NT	The project will deploy a satellite backhaul broadband solution servicing the remote communities of Arrawerr, Gan Gan, Mungkarta and Wandawuy. The service will provide pay-as-you-go broadband data to residents, enabling improved access to telehealth and education services.	\$574,398

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NBN Co Limited	Fixed Wireless to Fibre to the Premises Technology Change: Birregurra	Fibre Broadband	Birregurra	VIC	The project will upgrade the NBN access technology in the Colac-Otway Shire town of Birregurra from Fixed Wireless to Fibre to the Premises. The upgrade will provide improved broadband connectivity to encourage migration to the area and to support the uptake of business technologies for the tourism, health and agriculture industries. Increased connectivity will also enable improved access to education and telehealth services in the community.	\$5,781,664.70
NBN Co Limited	Fixed Wireless to Fibre to the Premises Technology Change: Teesdale	Fibre Broadband	Teesdale	VIC	The project will upgrade the NBN access technology in the Golden Plains Shire town of Teesdale from Fixed Wireless to Fibre to the Premises. The upgrade will provide improved connectivity to support population growth in the town, as well as enabling access to new agricultural, business and education and training technologies for local businesses and residents.	\$2,734,475.00
NBN Co Limited	Fixed Wireless to Fibre to the Premises Technology Change: Timboon	Fibre Broadband	Timboon	VIC	The project will upgrade the NBN access technology in the Corangamite town of Timboon from Fixed Wireless to Fibre to the Premises. The upgrade will provide improved connectivity to support growth opportunities in tourism and hospitality, as well as existing dairying, forestry and lime production operations.	\$2,555,354.10

Regional Connectivity Program – Round 2

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Field Solutions Group (FSG)	R.A.N (Regional Australia Network): Mareeba Cairns Road	Fixed Wireless Broadband	Mareeba	QLD	The project is an extension of a Round 1 RCP project and will deploy a fixed wireless network across the Mareeba local government area.	\$1,846,393
Optus	Satellite Femto Cell Greenfields Western Australia	Mobile Voice & Data	Western Australia	WA	The project will deploy nine new satellite femto cells in Western Australia to provide improved mobile coverage at nine popular and remote surf beaches along the West Australian coast identified as a risk of shark attacks.	\$801,266
Orro Pty Ltd	Radio Access Network: Shire of Halls Creek	Fixed Wireless Broadband	Halls Creek	WA	The project will construct a fixed wireless network to deliver reliable, high speed broadband services and public Wi-Fi to the remote Aboriginal communities of Balgo (Wirrimanu), Billiluna (Mindibungu), Mulan and Ringer Soak (Kundat Djaru) located in the Shire of Halls Creek in the East Kimberley region of Western Australia.	\$2,911,890
Pivotel Mobile Pty Ltd	Dubbo – Digital Connectivity Network	Mobile Voice & Data	Dubbo	NSW	The project will build a 4G ecoSphere network, as well as a mmWave Fixed Wireless Access network in the north-west of Dubbo, providing coverage to the regional towns of Rawsonville, Dickygundi, Minore and Terramungamine.	\$436,300
Pivotel Mobile Pty Ltd	Wimmera Southern Mallee – Digital Connectivity Network	Mobile Voice & Data	Southern Mallee	VIC	The project will build a 4G ecoSphere network, as well as a mmWave Fixed Wireless Access network in the Wimmera Southern Mallee (WSM) region of Western Victoria.	\$2,615,800