



Assistance Grants – Access to Industry Priority Uses of Agvet Chemicals 2024–25 (Round 10)

Feedback for Applicants

The Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (the department) has provided the following general feedback for applicants of the Assistance Grants - Access to Industry Priority Uses of Agvet Chemicals (Round 10) grant opportunity.

Assessment of applications was in accordance with the procedure detailed in the grant opportunity guidelines (the guidelines) and outlined in the selection process below.

Overview

The application submission period opened on 13 November 2024 and closed on 23 January 2025.

The objective of the grant program is to provide funding to Rural Research and Development Corporations (RDCs) to assist them with data generation to support applications to the APVMA that seek to gain, maintain or broaden access to priority minor uses of agvet chemicals. Priority uses are identified in collaboration with a cross-industry forum.

Selection Process

The Community Grants Hub (the Hub) undertook the initial screening for organisation eligibility and compliance against the requirements outlined in the guidelines. This information was provided to the department's grant opportunity delegate for final decisions on whether an application met the eligibility and compliance criteria.

The department assessed and considered eligible and compliant applications through a Closed Non-Competitive grant process.

The selection advisory panel (panel) established by the department, comprised of subject matter experts who assessed applications and provided advice to inform the funding recommendations to the Financial Delegate.

The panel's consideration of assessed applications was, based on:

- meeting the compliance requirements outlined in the guidelines
- meeting the eligibility requirements outline in the guidelines
- how well application responses met the assessment criteria
- the volume of applications received and the extent to which applications compared against other applications
- the appropriateness of the developmental plan and other requested attachments
- how the proposed activities were prioritised in the 2024 Collaborative Forum

- identified risks and the proposed mitigation strategies for the department and the Commonwealth.

Selection Results

There was a strong interest in the grant opportunity and applications were of a high standard. The preferred applicants demonstrated their ability to meet the grant requirements outlined in the guidelines based on the strength of their responses to the assessment criteria.

The department notified applicants of the outcome in writing, where their applications did not meet the requirements outlined in the guidelines.

This feedback is provided to assist grant applicants to understand what comprised a strong application and what was considered a quality response to the assessment criteria.

Criterion 1

What national priority project will this grant activity address?

- Applicant included the single unique identification code for a project on the Priority and Reserve List 2024–25 (Appendix A).

Strong applications:

- Demonstrated alignment with unmet industry needs.

Criterion 2

How will the grant activity funds be spent?

- Applicant stated total funds requested and attached a completed budget template which outlined the expected activities (including trials) and estimated all costs of the project within the maximum grant amount.

Strong applications:

- Demonstrated value for money through efficient, effective, economical and ethical use of public funding.

Individual feedback

To request individual feedback please follow the instructions as set out in the Grant Opportunity Guidelines section 9.1.