

DRFAWA FACT SHEET

KEY TERMS

INFORMATION FOR PEOPLE READING ABOUT THE DRFAWA

This fact sheet includes key terms used in the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements Western Australia (DRFAWA), Recovery Funding fact sheets and other associated documents. Not all terms used in the DRFAWA are included in this fact sheet. Please refer to the DRFAWA Guideline for the full list.



Term	Definition
Eligible disaster	A <i>natural disaster</i> or <i>terrorist act</i> for which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a coordinated multi-agency response was required, and state expenditure exceeds the small disaster criterion
Eligible undertaking	A body that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> is one of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a department or other agency of a state government, or established by or under state legislation for public purposes (for example, a local government), and in the operation of the asset provides services free of charge or at a rate that is 50 per cent or less of the cost to provide those services.
Emergency works	Urgent activities necessary following an eligible disaster to temporarily restore an essential public asset to enable it to operate/be operated at an acceptable level of efficiency to support the immediate recovery of a community, and take place: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> prior to the state commencing essential public asset reconstruction works in accordance with these arrangements, or prior to or at the same time as immediate reconstruction works and where no essential public asset reconstruction works are required.
Essential public asset	An asset which must be a transport or public infrastructure asset that the State considers is an integral part of the state's infrastructure and normal functioning of a community and is owned and maintained, or operated and maintained, by an eligible undertaking.
Essential public asset reconstruction works	Reconstruction works on an essential public asset directly damaged by an eligible disaster for which an estimated reconstruction cost has been developed.
Essential Public Asset Function Framework	The Essential Public Asset Function Framework as defined by these arrangements (refer to clause 6.3).
Immediate reconstruction works	Immediate reconstruction activities following an eligible disaster to fully reconstruct an essential public asset, and where no essential public asset reconstruction works are required.
Natural disaster	A natural disaster is one, or a combination of the following rapid onset events:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • bushfire • earthquake • flood • storm • cyclone • storm surge • landslide • tsunami • meteorite strike, or • tornado.
Pre-disaster function	As defined by the Essential Public Asset Function Framework.
Public infrastructure	An asset that is an integral part of a state's infrastructure and is associated with health, education, justice or welfare.
Small disaster criterion	For the purposes of these arrangements, the amount of \$240,000 or an amount as published by the department.
Terrorist act	<p>An action or a series of actions committed in Australia which the Minister has determined is a terrorist act for the purposes of an eligible disaster under these arrangements.</p> <p>Without limiting the matters to which the Minister may have regard in determining whether the action or series of actions is a terrorist act, the Minister may have regard to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the definition of a terrorist act under section 100.1 of the Criminal Code Act 1995, and • if available, the advice of other Commonwealth agencies. <p>In the event of one or more acts, the Minister may determine two or more related acts to be a single terrorist act.</p>
Transport	An asset that is an integral part of a state's infrastructure and includes essential public assets associated with roads, road infrastructure (including footpaths, bike lanes, and pedestrian bridges), bridges, tunnels and culverts.

Further information and contacts

The full suite of DRFAWA fact sheets and other related documents are available on the DFES website in the Recovery Funding section.

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