

## Response to Senator Sterle Request dated 4 February 2022

Program allocation profile over the life of the program is as below, and includes funding for grant rounds not yet finalised – data as at 31 December 2021.

FINANCIAL TRACKING – Building Better Regions Fund							
Appropriation	Pre-2020-21	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	Total
Budget	\$308,111,779	\$158,235,008	\$273,243,305	\$318,991,009	\$249,147,000	\$75,000,000	\$1,382,728,101
Contracted Funds	\$308,111,779	\$158,235,008	\$244,310,042	\$80,933,867	\$5,037,783	-	\$796,628,479
Uncontracted funds	-	-	28,328,946	\$153,188,880	\$124,962,217	-	\$306,480,043
Unallocated	-	-	\$604,317*	\$84,868,262**	\$119,147,000**	\$75,000,000**	\$279,619,579**

\* to be managed through budget profiling processes.

\*\* Includes funding for Round 6.

Current Appropriation profile for the program life cycle (excluding the additional \$100 million for BBRF announced as part of the 2021-22 MYEFO process) is below – data as at Budget, 11 May 2021.

FINANCIAL TRACKING – Building Better Regions Fund							
Appropriation	Pre-2020-21	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	Total
Budget	\$308,111,779	\$205,015,000	\$226,463,305	\$268,991,009	\$199,147,000	\$75,000,000	\$1,282,728,093

### Regional Recovery Partnerships

On 30 September 2020, the Australian Government announced its commitment of \$100 million over two years from 2020-21 to fund the Regional Recovery Partnerships (Partnerships).

The Partnerships support existing plans and priorities within the regions – investing in places and priorities other levels of government are also seeking to develop.

The 10 regions are: (NSW) the Snowy Mountains, Hunter and Newcastle, and Parkes Regions; (QLD) Cairns and Tropical North Queensland, Gladstone, and Mackay-Isaac-Whitsunday Regions; (TAS) all of Tasmania; (VIC) Gippsland Region; (SA) Kangaroo Island; (WA) South West Region.

This program has now been fully committed. A listing of the announced projects funded through the Partnerships to date is contained at Attachment A. Not all committed projects have been announced.

FINANCIAL TRACKING – Regional Recovery Partnerships				
Appropriation	Pre-2020-21	2020-21	2021-22	Total
Budget	-	\$48,840,000	\$51,160,000	\$100,000,000
Contracted Funds	-	\$48,840,000	\$31,000,000	\$79,840,000
Committed funds	-	\$48,840,000	\$51,160,000	\$100,000,000

Current Appropriation profile for the program life cycle is below – data as at Budget, 11 May 2021.

FINANCIAL TRACKING - Regional Recovery Partnerships				
Appropriation	Pre 2020-21	2020-21	2021-22	Total
Budget 2021-22	-	50,000,000	50,000,000	<b>100,000,000</b>