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### Program Overview

Investment NSW, through R&D NSW, is offering grants for field ready bushfire technology to be trialled or piloted with NSW fire and emergency coordination and response agencies.

The objectives of the BTPP are to:

- i.** enable NSW businesses to commercialise field-ready technology for bushfire-related applications through the trial or pilot of technology with end-user agencies in NSW.
- ii.** improve end-user agencies awareness of innovation possibilities in bushfire management and operations through exposure to new technology

This inaugural round of the Bushfire Technology Pilot Program is open to eligible entities (refer to A.4 below) with technologies that are ready to be trialled or piloted in an operational environment.

**Trials** - successful applicants will have access to fire agency data, facilities, or environments required to perform technology tests and produce validation data or case studies.

**Pilots** - successful applicants will assist fire agencies to evaluate how they may successfully operationalise the technology through workforce capability development and integration into existing systems and procedures.

Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis after applications are assessed by a panel comprised of experts in bushfire management and operations. Eligible applications will be reviewed against the following set of assessment criteria:

- Feasibility of project proposal
- Ability to fulfil a need in relation to bushfire management and operations
- Technical feasibility of the proposed technology application
- Commercial viability of technology
- Capability of project team
- Benefits of technology to bushfire management and operations in NSW
- Need for funding, demonstrated through a budget breakdown and company financial position.

For further information about the Bushfire Technology Pilots Program, including eligibility and selection criteria, please refer to the Guidelines for Applicants – Bushfire Technology Pilots Program available [Here](#)

This application form must be:

- completed in full and within the word limit
- signed by the project lead or representative of the lead organisation and, submitted electronically through Smarty Grants

### Closing date

The closing date for applications is **5PM 07 February 2022**.

No late applications will be accepted.

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### Submission of applications

Forms can only be submitted electronically through Smarty Grants. Forms submitted by any other means will not be accepted.

### Impacts from COVID-19

R&D NSW is committed to responsible management of COVID-19.

Your project must comply with any COVID-19 guidelines and public health orders in place at the time your project is active. Please refer to official health advice provided by the health authorities in the relevant jurisdiction.

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### Contact Details

#### A1. Name of bushfire technology / product. \*

#### A.2. Organisation or Institute. \*

### A3. Applicant Contact Details

#### Applicant \*

Title      First Name      Last Name

#### Applicant Position \*

#### Organisation/ Institution \*

#### Applicant Primary Email \*

Must be an email address.

#### Applicant Primary Phone Number \*

Must be an Australian phone number.

#### Fax \*

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Must be a number.

### **Applicant Mobile Phone Number \***

Must be an Australian phone number.

## Organisation Details

### **Organisation ABN \***

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity name	
ABN status	
Entity type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	
ATO Charity Type	<a href="#">More information</a>
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	
Main business location	

Must be an ABN.

### **Organisation Primary Address \***

Address

  

### **Organisation Postal Address \***

Address

  

## A4. Eligibility Criteria

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Applicants must meet all criteria (a) to (e) (mark below) to be deemed eligible for assessment:

**Does the applicant have an Australian Business Number (ABN)? \***

- Yes  No

**Applicant is one of the following entities: \***

- A company, or  
 An individual or partnership, provided you agree to form a company incorporated in Australia to enter into a grant agreement, or  
 A NSW public research organisation applying through its appropriate technology transfer office, provided you agree to form a company incorporated in Australia to enter into a grant agreement.

**Applicant meets one of the following criteria: \***

- Is headquartered in NSW, or  
 Conducts the majority of business research and development and production operations in NSW.

**Does the applicant hold the Intellectual Property or the rights to commercialise the proposed solution? \***

- Yes  No

**If successful, undertake to conduct BTPP program-related research and development work in NSW. \***

- Yes  No

## Project Details

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**B1. Presence in NSW - where is your business located in NSW? If not located in NSW, describe your business and/or commercialisation activity within NSW? \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

**B2. Type of technology - what stage of bushfire response does your technology address. \***

- Prevention  
 Detection  
 Response  
 Recovery  
 Other:

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**B3. Description of technology - identify the problem that the technology is intended to solve, how it works and how it will be applied in bushfire management and operation. \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 350 words.

**B4. Provide imagery that demonstrates your technology in action. \***

Attach a file:

You may choose to include photographs or a link to a demonstration video clip on YouTube

**Please provide any links in the box below.**

**B5. Description of product development history - outline the process and timeframe taken to develop the technology, to date. Include detail of any patents applied for and/or held. \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

**B6. Pilot Project - outline your project proposal**

**How do you propose to test or pilot the technology? \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

**What resources (including access to equipment, data, personnel and environments) will be required. \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

Please provide specific details to assist with thorough consideration of the required data and site access requirements by the partner agencies. Note that project budget is addressed below in B14.

**What data will you collect and how will you evaluate the performance of your technology? \***

Word count:

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Must be no more than 200 words.

### B7. Key Personnel

**Summarise the key personnel involved in the proposed project and their roles. \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

**Please attach full CVs for each person identified. \***

Attach a file:

**B8. Cost of product - indicate the anticipated retail price of your technology in Australian dollars, exclusive of GST. \***

\$

Must be a dollar amount.

**B9. Customers - describe who are the anticipated end users of your technology (maximum 100 words). \***

Must be no more than 100 words.

**B10. Customer engagement - please provide details of your engagement with potential customers of your technology. To date, has anyone tested or committed to test your product in the field. \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

**B11. Competition - who are the main competitors for this technology, if any. \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 150 words.

**B12. Anticipated benefits - describe how the technology will deliver improvements to bushfire management and operations in NSW. \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

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### Project Budget

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**B13. Funding request - please indicate how much funding you are requesting from R&D NSW and for what purposes these will be used. \***

\$

Must be a dollar amount.

The maximum amount available per grant is \$100,000.

**B14. Budget breakdown**

Item	Incoming funds	\$	Outgoing costs	\$
		\$		\$
		\$		\$
		\$		\$
		\$		\$

### Budget Totals

**Total Income Amount**

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

**Total Expenditure Amount**

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

**Income - Expenditure**

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

**B15. Other sources of funding - please detail additional sources of project funding, for example, sources of co-funding and in-kind contributions. \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

**B16. Company financial position - please provide a summary of your financial position and attach an audited profit and loss statement for your company for the last financial year. \***

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

**Please upload an Audited Profit & Loss statement for the last financial year. \***

Attach a file:

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### Terms and Conditions

#### T&Cs

##### Your application

- 1.By submitting an application to the Crown in the Right of the State of New South Wales acting through Investment NSW (ABN 78 520 401 237) (Investment NSW) constitutes an acceptance by you of the Terms and you agree to be bound by the Terms.
- 2.Funding will be provided for eligible and approved projects until the first of:

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- available funding is exhausted, or
- final deadline for applications: 5PM 07 February 2022

- 1.Applications that are incomplete or do not comply with the instructions provided in the application form are invalid and may not be accepted by Investment NSW.
- 2.You agree to bear the costs of preparing and submitting your application without recourse to Investment NSW.
- 3.You confirm that all of the information provided as part of the application is true, correct and valid as at the date of your application.
- 4.You agree to indemnify Investment NSW against and in respect of all damages, losses, expenses and costs (including legal costs on an indemnity basis) which arise out of or relate to any incorrect or invalid information that you provide to Investment NSW through this application.
- 5.If you are found to have made false or misleading claims or statements, or to have obtained improper assistance in relation to your application, Investment NSW may exclude your application from the evaluation process. You should be aware that giving false or misleading information to Investment NSW is a serious offence under the Criminal Code Act 1995 (Cth).
- 6.An application submitted electronically will be treated in accordance with the Electronic Transactions Act 2000 (NSW).

##### Assessment and approval of your application.

- 1.Investment NSW reserves the right to verify the information provided by you as part of your application and determine your eligibility for funding.
- 2.Submitting an application does not guarantee approval of funding. Approval of funding is at the sole discretion of the Investment NSW.
- 3.Nothing in this request for applications or your application will be construed as giving rise to any contractual obligations or rights, express or implied, by the issue of this request for applications or the submission of an application by you (other than your agreement to these Terms).
- 4.If your application is successful, the information provided in this application will form part of a funding agreement to be separately agreed and signed with Investment NSW. Until a funding agreement is agreed and signed you are not eligible for any funding.

##### Funding program

- 1.Investment NSW reserves the right to alter, amend, suspend, cancel or withdraw the funding program for any reason and in any circumstances in its sole and absolute discretion and without notice to you. Information
- 2.Subject to any applicable law, Investment NSW make no representation or warranty of any kind, express or implied, in relation to any information or material provided in the application form or funding guidelines.
- 3.The information and material provided by Investment NSW as part of the application form and funding guidelines is of a general nature only and is not legal or other



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professional advice or intended to be comprehensive. You are responsible for determining the validity, quality and relevance of any information or materials and to take appropriate independent advice before acting or relying on any of it to ensure that it meets your particular requirements.

- Investment NSW does not accept responsibility for any loss or damage, howsoever caused (including through negligence or matters outside its control), which you may directly or indirectly suffer in connection with your use of or reliance on, information or materials contained in the application form or the funding guidelines.

### Privacy and disclosure

- Investment NSW collects the information in your application, which may include “personal information” for the purpose of the Privacy and Personal Information Protection Act 1998 (NSW). Investment NSW collects this personal information for the purpose of considering and assessing your application. If your application is successful, your information will also be used to provide the funding to you, assist you in meeting your obligations and for reporting on the programs to which your funding relates.
- Providing your personal information to Investment NSW is voluntary, however if you do not provide this information we will not be able to assess your application and you will not be considered for funding.
- Investment NSW may also disclose your personal information to the following third parties:
  - Our Community Pty Limited being the application portal provider to help administer the program;
  - O’Connor Marsden & Associates Pty Limited being the probity advisors to assist with this program;
  - a representative of an external body to help assess and recommend applications;
  - a credit assessment agency to help complete due diligence checks, and
  - other NSW government agencies to help assess and recommend applications and introduce unsuccessful applicants to other support programs that may be of assistance to them.
- We may also be required to disclose information by law. For example, Investment NSW is subject to the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009 (“GIPA Act”), which means the information you provide may be required to be released in response to a request under the GIPA Act. We may also be required to disclose information to oversight and investigative bodies and to the NSW Parliament.
- Please refer to website <https://www.dpc.nsw.gov.au/privacy/> for more information on Investment NSW’s privacy policy and your rights to access or correct the information.
- By submitting this application form, you consent to Investment NSW collecting, using and disclosing information about you in the manner described above.
- You must comply with the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) in relation to any personal information disclosed to you by Investment NSW in connection with this application or the funding program.
- All applications become the property of Investment NSW on submission. Investment NSW may make copies of the application for any purpose.

## Certification and Declaration

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### Declaration

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**NOTE: Please print this page, sign, scan and email with application.**

By ticking the box identified below:

1. I declare that the information provided in this application form is true and correct.
2. I understand that the information provided in my application will remain confidential and only used for the purposes of assessing the application, evaluating the performance of a grant awarded under the BTPP and evaluating the performance of the BTPP.
3. I understand that if my application is successful, the NSW Government may disclose my entity name and a basic summary of my proposed technology when announcing the awarding of grants.
4. I understand that the NSW Government may disclose confidential information provided in my application if required by law.
5. I understand that my application will be assessed in accordance with the procedure outlined in the BTPP Program Guidelines (available at [www.chiefscientist.nsw.gov.au/XXX](http://www.chiefscientist.nsw.gov.au/XXX)).
6. I understand that the NSW Government may conduct a credit check on my organisation as part of the assessment process.
7. If I receive a grant through the BTPP, I understand that there is no guarantee that the NSW Government will purchase my solution.
8. If I receive a grant through the BTPP program and the NSW Government wishes to purchase my solution, I undertake to conduct negotiations for the sale of that solution in good faith.

**Name \***

Title	First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

**Position \***

**Organisation \***

**Date \***

Must be a date.