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# Regional Connectivity Program—removed projects

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## Regional Connectivity Program – Round 1

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| 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 |
| 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 |
| 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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| Applicant | Project name | Technology type | Location | State | Project description | Grant amount (GST inclusive) |
| 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 |