Tasmanian Flood Mapping Project – Stage 3 - Detailed Flood Studies Grant Program

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the DFS Grant Program about and when does it open?

The Tasmanian Strategic Flood Maps help to understand flood risks by

- all Tasmanian communities
- emergency management agencies, and
- planners.

But there are some high-priority locations where there are gaps or outdated data. Updated detailed data can help make communities safer.

This one-off, competitive grant program supports detailed flood studies in priority areas. This targeted initiative aims to

- help understand flood risk
- guide emergency management and future planning, and
- strengthen community resilience.

The program completes the third and final stage of the Tasmanian Flood Mapping Project (TFMP).

SES invites eligible councils to submit proposals that address the Program Guidelines and demonstrate

- technical expertise
- robust methodology, and
- clear community benefit.

The Program opens on 9 November 2026 and closes on 14 December 2026.

Who is eligible to apply?

Municipal Councils identified as high-priority can apply. SES will invite these councils to apply for the Program.

SES determined the high-priority list using a methodology that

- considered high risk locations where flooding is a known issue, and
- where a new detailed flood study can fill knowledge gaps.

The flood studies will provide the data and insights needed to

- make communities safer

- inform planning, and
- prepare for future flood events.

Who is managing the Program?

The Department of Police, Fire and Emergency Management's - State Emergency Service (SES) manages the Program. A steering committee oversees the Program. The steering committee may have representatives from

- the Department of Premier and Cabinet (DPAC)
- the Local Government Association Tasmania (LGAT), and
- SES.

The Program Manager is SES – Flood Risk Unit's, Flood Policy and Planning Analyst – Ann Stewart.

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Where are the guidelines and application forms?

See the Program documents on the SES website Support for local detailed flood studies - Tasmania State Emergency Service . The documents include the TSFM Stage 3 – Detailed Flood Study Grant Program

- Guidelines
- Application Form
- Quarterly Report Form
- Variation request Form
- Final Report Form
- Generic Technical Brief template

What are the funding details?

SES designed the Program as a once only (non-recurring) targeted competitive program. It is likely to be oversubscribed for the total amount of funding available.

The Program has been structured to include one-third funding from Council and two-thirds funded by the Tasmanian and Australian governments. **Councils will need to fund a third of the cost.**

For more information see the program guidelines.

After reading the Guidelines, if you still have questions, please contact the Program Manager.