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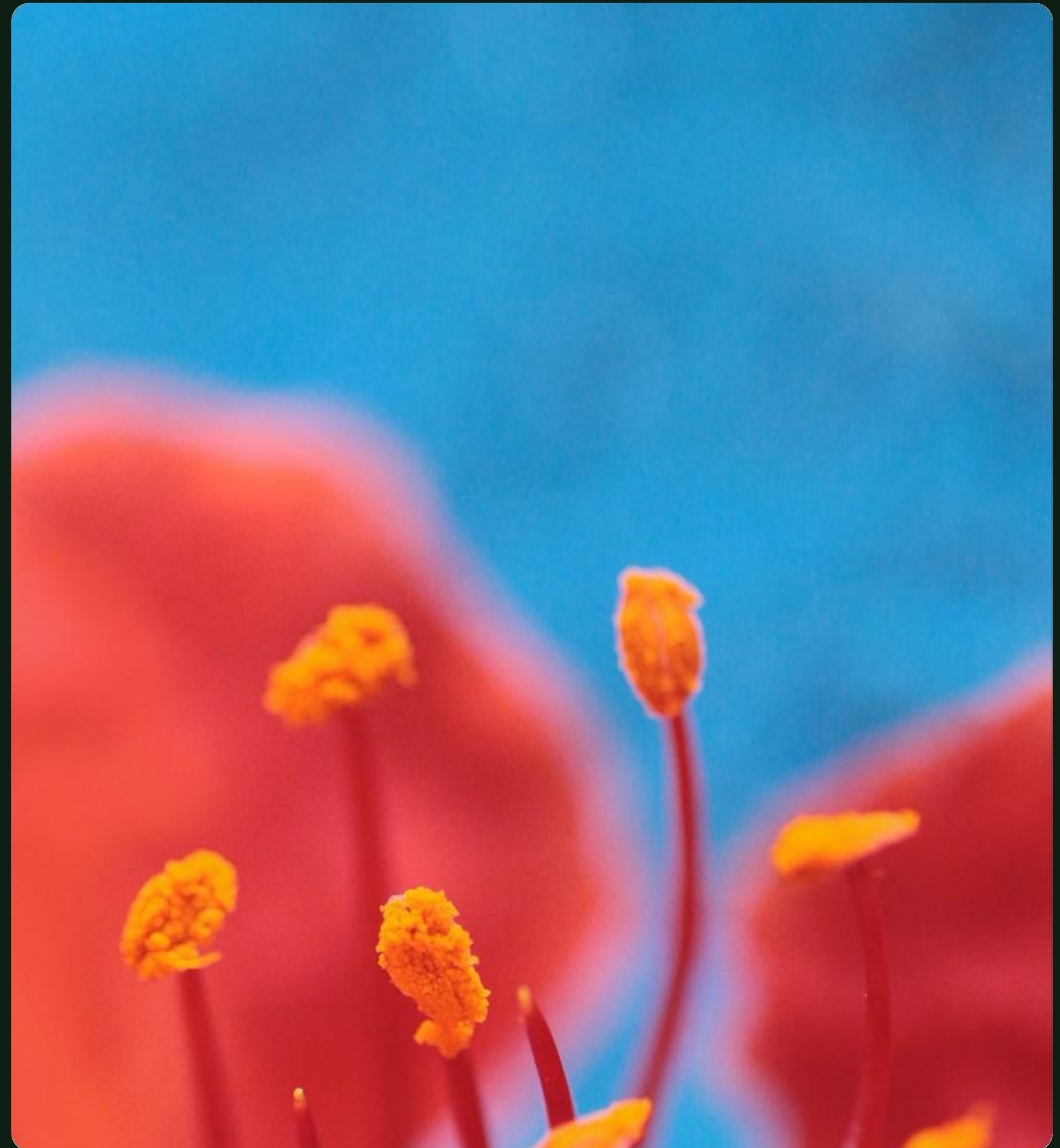


About Anthesis

**Anthesis is the sustainability activator.
We drive performance through
sustainability.**

Anthesis guides clients to sustainable performance through an end-to-end journey that is impact led and solution oriented.

We are committed to accelerating progress towards a world in which businesses thrive in harmony with the environment and global communities, while achieving unprecedented levels of operational success



Grant Opportunities



What's out there

What's Out There? | Who is out There? | What's on Offer?

A bird's eye view of generally who is out there – which departments, agencies, and organisations provide funding on a state and federal level and what long-standing programs are out there.

Focus on:

- Climate change, emissions & energy
- Waste & circular economy

Programs

- Emissions Reduction Fund
- [Business.gov.au](https://www.business.gov.au)
- Australian Heritage Grant
- State programs

Organisations

- ARENA
- CEFC
- Regional Investment Corporation



Major Federal Funding Schemes



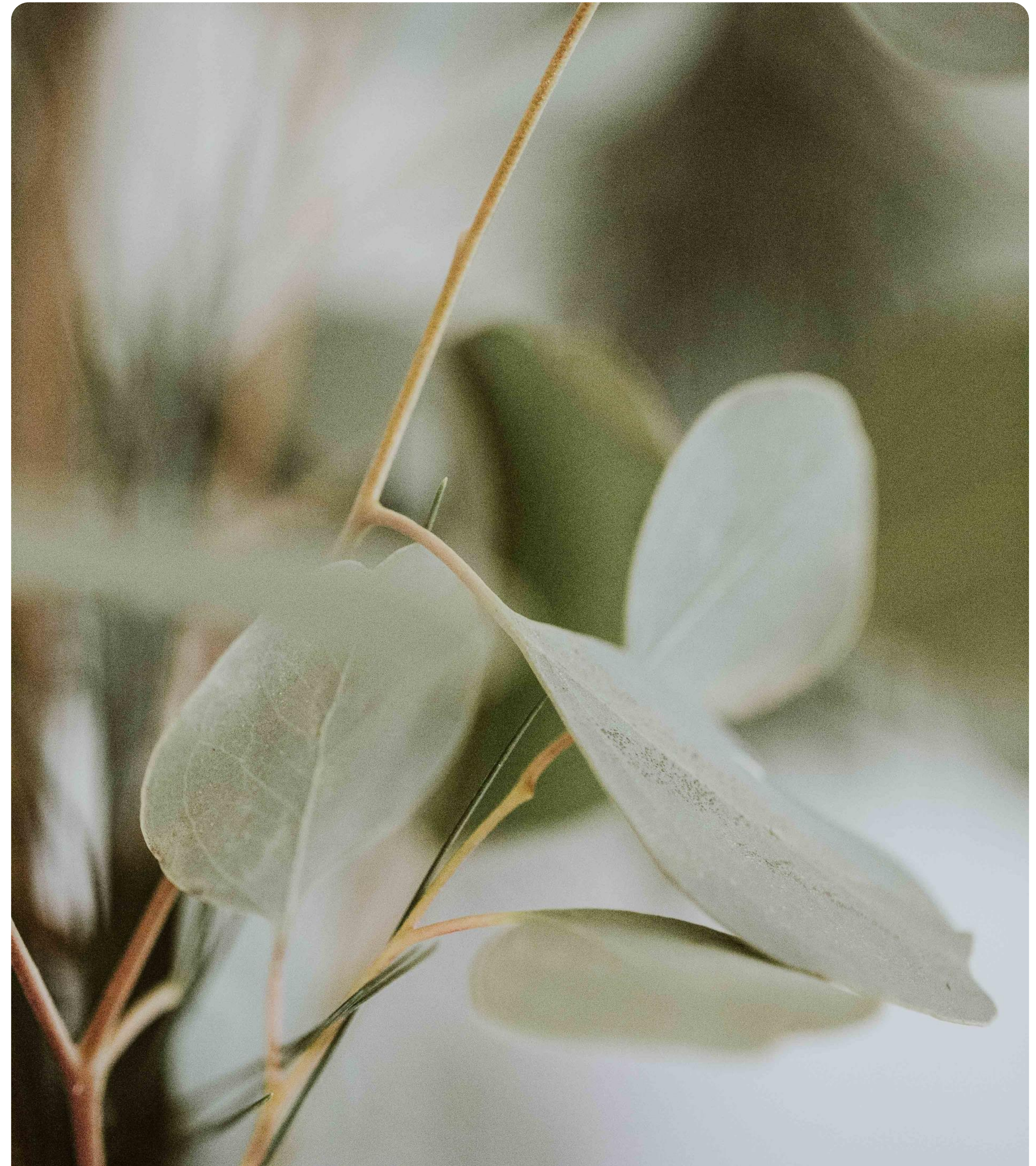
Major Federal Funding Schemes

[Clean Energy Finance Corporation](#) (CEFC)

- \$19b Rewiring the Nation Fund (high voltage transmission, long duration grid storage, electricity distribution)
- \$1b Household Energy Upgrades Fund
- \$500m Powering Aus Tech Fund

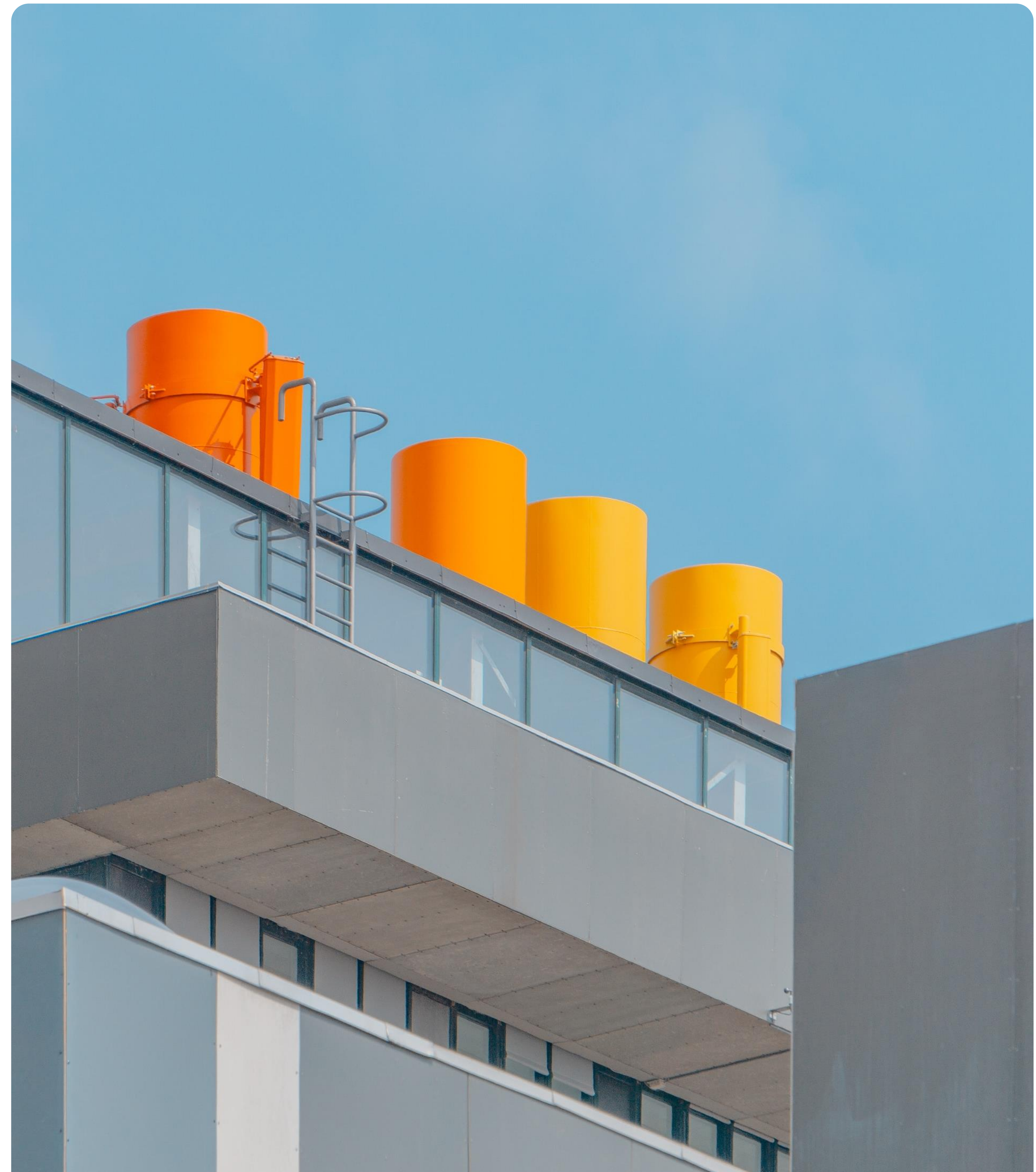
[ARENA Advancing Renewables Program](#)

- Funds low emissions projects and activities at development, demonstration and pre-commercial stage in renewable energy technology.



Powering the Regions Fund

- \$1.9 billion fund to support decarbonising existing industries + creation of clean energy industries.
- 3 funding streams designed in consultation with stakeholders:
 - \$600m - [Safeguard Transformation Stream \(STS\)](#) to support decarbonising investments at trade-exposed facilities covered by SGM.
 - \$400m - [Industrial Transformation Stream \(ITS\)](#) to support reducing emissions at existing industrial facilities and clean energy developments in regional Aus.
 - \$400m Critical Inputs to Clean Energy Industries (CICEI) program to support domestic manufacturing of industries producing inputs (primary steel production, cement, lime, alumina, aluminium).
 - \$200m announced in Jan 24 for the primary steel production sector.



Climate Solutions Fund - Emissions Reduction Fund (ERF)

- Australian Carbon Credit Unit Scheme (ACCU) – formally ERF.
- Register and run a project to earn ACCUs for emissions avoidance or storage in vegetation and soil.
- 1 ACCU = 1 tonne of tCO₂-e GHG emissions stored or avoided.
- Sell ACCUs to purchasers incl. businesses and state govs through:
 - fixed commercial agreement (\$17.12) or;
 - on the spot market at market price (\$38).
- Linked to the Safeguard Mechanism, which requires Australia's largest GHG emitters to keep their net emissions below a baseline with a gradual yearly reduction to help Australia achieve net zero emissions by 2050.
- 2023 independent review of integrity of ACCUs concluded ACCU Scheme arrangements are essentially sound, incorporating mechanisms for regular review and improvement.



Major State Funding Schemes



Major State Funding Schemes Victoria

[Victorian Energy Upgrades \(VEU\)*](#)

- Energy-efficient products and services made available to homes and businesses at a discount by Accredited Providers.
- Providers can generate Victorian Energy Efficiency Certificates (VEECs) based on GHG savings associated with Prescribed Activities they undertake.

[Sustainability Fund](#)

- Current programs cover a range of portfolios e.g., renewable energy, protecting Vic's environment and biodiversity, recycling infrastructure and supporting new sectors with legislation and new policies.

[Environmental Upgrade Finance](#)

- Building owner borrows money for environmental building upgrades from a financier, makes repayments through the local council rates system.
- For businesses that A) own a building and require longer term financing with low monthly payments, B) don't own the property and have a long-term tenancy of their site.



Major State Funding Schemes New South Wales

[Energy Efficiency Grants for Small and Medium Enterprises Round 2](#)

- Small and medium businesses up to \$25,000 to purchase energy efficient equipment to reduce and manage energy usage and costs. **Closes Monday, 8 April 2024.**

[Energy Savings Scheme*](#)

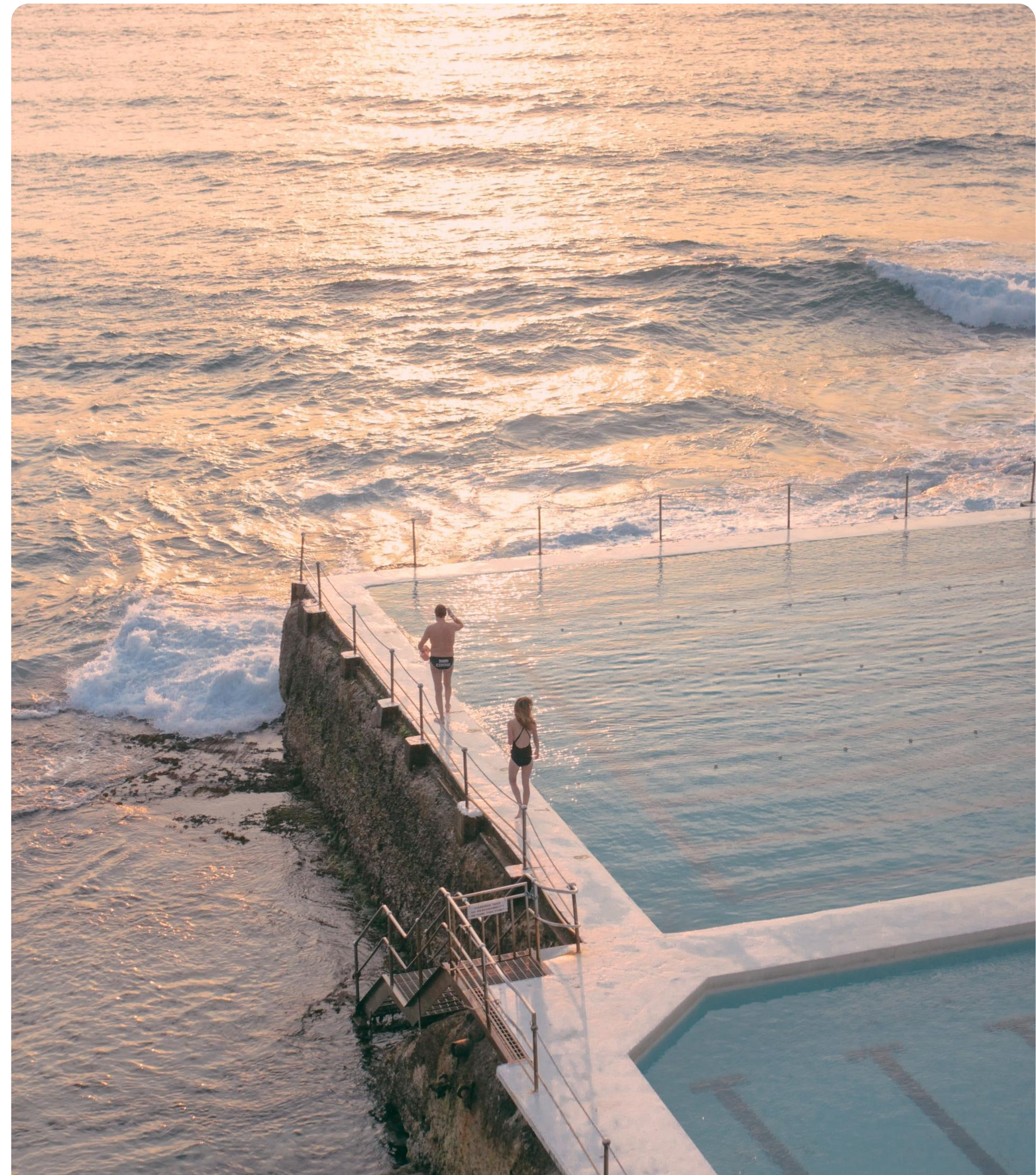
- Financial incentives for organisations to invest in projects to install, improve or replace energy savings equipment.
- Partner with or become an Accredited Certificate Provider (ACP) to undertake energy savings activities and generate energy savings certificates (ESCs).

[Peak Demand Reduction Scheme \(PDRS\)](#)

- Households and businesses receive discount on activities that reduce peak electricity demand through Accredited Certificate Provider (ACP).

[Sustainability Advantage NSW](#)

- Membership for access to expertise, training, business tools to identify and implement projects.
- Focus on projects integrating environmental strategies.



Major State Funding Schemes New South Wales – Continued

[Bin Trim Rebate](#)

- Rebates of up to \$50,000 covering up to 50% of the capital cost of small-scale, on-site recycling equipment or technology.
- Eligible for businesses that have commercial and industrial (C&I) waste service at a site in NSW. Free waste assessment to determine eligibility.

[Building Upgrade Finance](#)

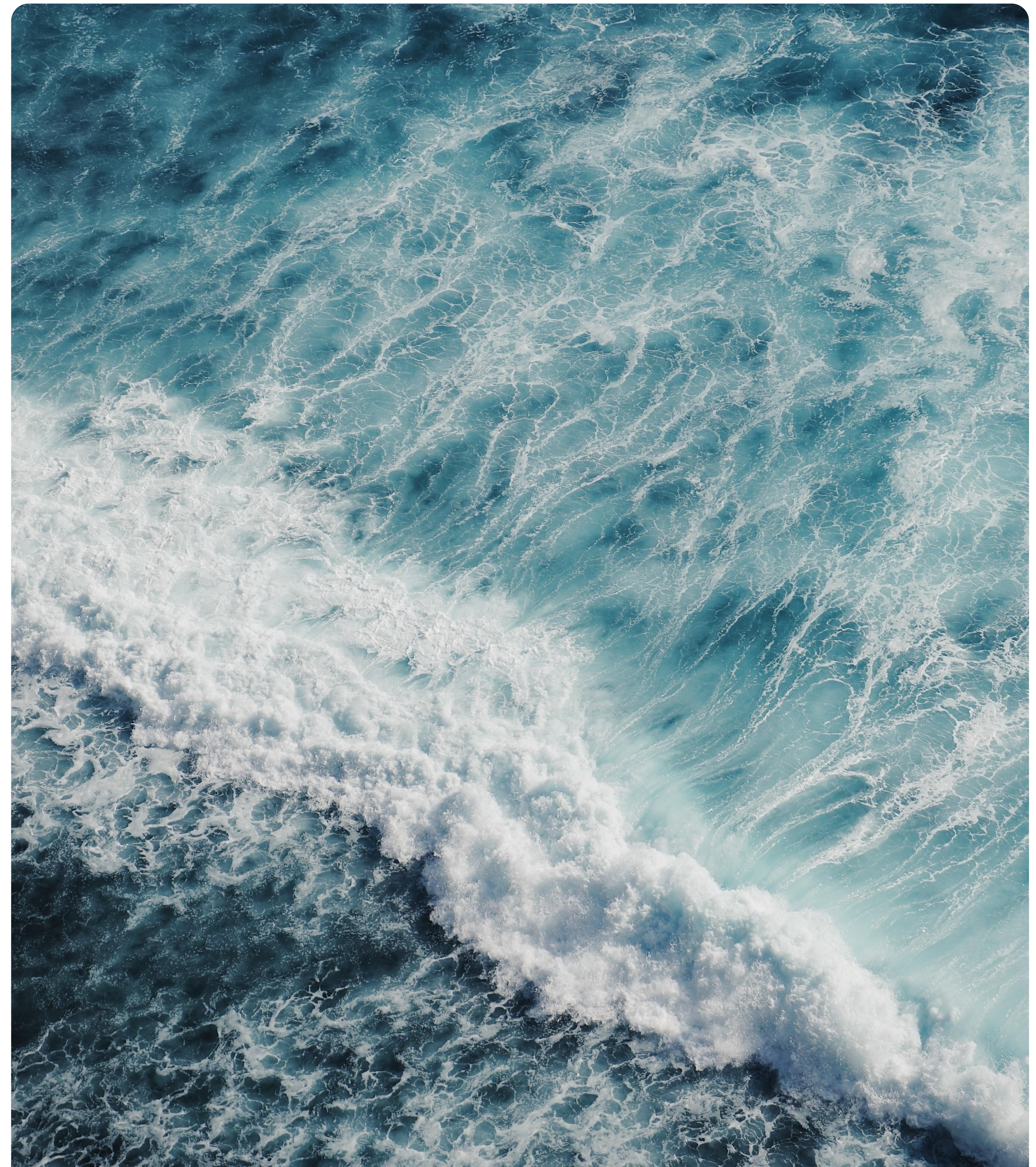
- Unique finance product designed to assist building owners with environmental upgrades to non-residential buildings (e.g. improve energy, water or sustainability).
- Building must be an existing, non-residential building, located in a participating council area.

[Better Business Partnership](#)

- Advice and resources to improve sustainability for businesses in Sydney's North Shore region, including the Ku-ring-gai, North Sydney and Willoughby City Council areas.

[High-emitting industries funding](#)

- \$305m grant funding to help these sectors significantly reduce their emissions and strengthen their resilience into the future.
- Support to develop and deploy decarbonisation projects, from feasibility studies through to commissioning for manufacturing ✨ or mining facilities emitting more than 0.09 MtCO₂e per year.



Major State Funding Schemes Queensland

[Ecobiz*](#)

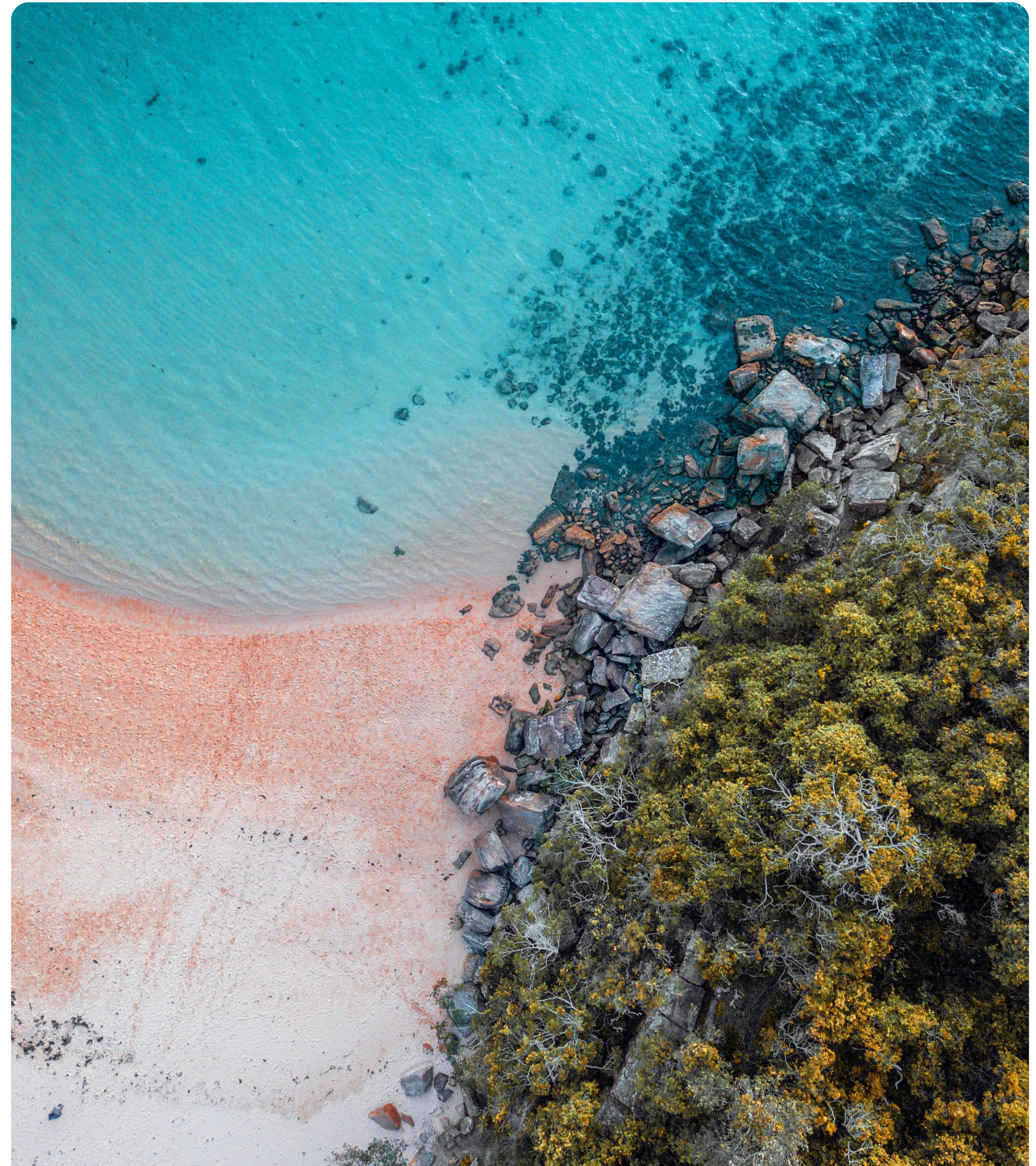
- Businesses register for a free assessment on energy, water and waste.
- One-on-one coaching session for personalised recommendations on practical and tangible solutions to better manage energy, water and waste.

[Sustainability Loan](#)

- Support to invest in latest infrastructure for farming businesses including activities to improve farming system sustainability, natural resource sustainability and financial sustainability.
- New round of funding available opens 1 July 24.

[Zero Emission Vehicle Rebate Scheme](#)

- Provides eligible Queenslanders rebates of up to \$6,000 for eligible new Zero Emission Vehicles purchased from 21 April 2023.



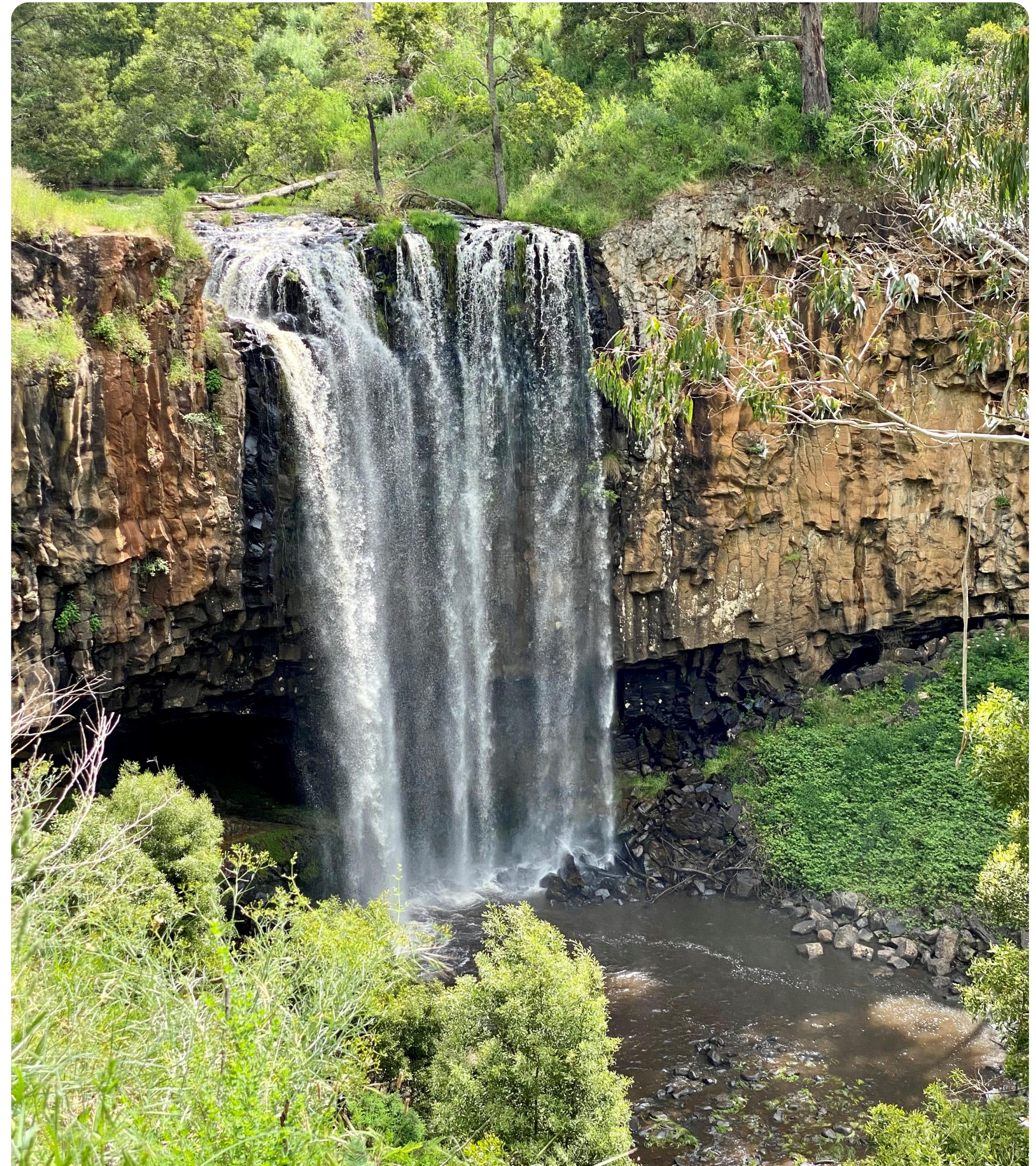
Major State Funding Schemes Western Australia

[Gnangara Horticulture Water Use Efficiency Grants](#)

- Assist horticultural businesses in eligible areas with vouchers to engage professional irrigation consultants to help them improve water use efficiency on their farms
- Up to \$30,000 per applicant available. **Closes 30 June 2024.**

[Zero Emission Vehicle \(ZEV\) Rebate Scheme](#)

- Provides a \$3,500 rebate for purchase of zero emission vehicles.
- Available for 10,000 eligible vehicles, or for 3 years (Saturday 10 May 2025), whichever comes first.



Major State Funding Schemes South Australia

Building Upgrade Finance

- Unique finance product designed to assist building owners with environmental upgrades to non-residential buildings (e.g. improve energy, water or sustainability).
- Building must be an existing, non-residential building, located in a participating council area.

Incentives for Electric Vehicles SA

- 3-year registration fee exemption for new battery electric and hydrogen fuel cell vehicles.

Circular Economy Market Development Grants*

- For councils, industry associations, not-for-profit orgs, research institutes and businesses that design, apply and scale-up innovative circular economy business models and practices or produce, manufacture, sell or promote SA recycled materials and products.
- Up to \$100,000 (GST exclusive) per applicant.

Assess-Implement-Monitor (AIM) Grants

- Up to \$10,000 for experts to assess/report on practice and sustainability improvement opportunities.
- Funds offered as co-contribution of 2:1 (GISA:Applicant), or 1:1 for energy-only assessments.

- ✻ • \$5000 available on 1:1 basis to implement recommendations.



Major State Funding Schemes ACT

[Energy Efficiency Grants for Small and Medium Enterprises Round 2](#)

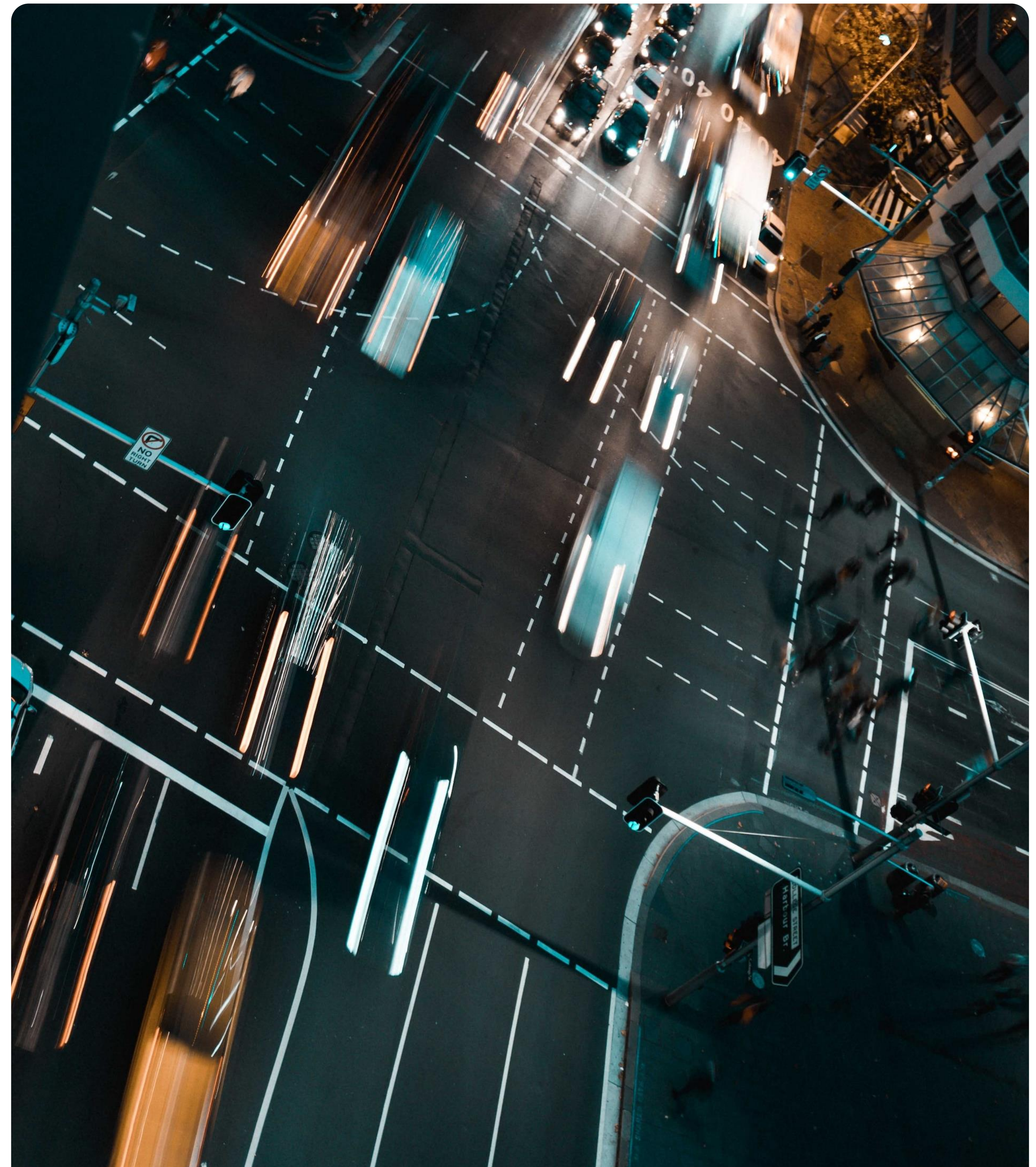
- Small and medium businesses up to \$25,000 to purchase energy efficient equipment to reduce and manage energy usage and costs. **Closes Monday, 8 April 2024.**

[Sustainable Business Program](#)

- Provides rebates, resources, advice and accreditation in areas of:
 - **Energy** - max energy efficiency upgrade rebates \$10,000
 - **Transport** - admin and procurement advice, EV purchasing solutions
 - **Waste** - develop waste management plan, reporting and monitoring
 - **Water** – max energy and water efficiency upgrades \$10,000

[Energy Innovation Fund*](#)

- Formally “Renewable Energy Innovation Fund”.
- Additional \$19 million was committed to the Fund to develop innovative, emerging energy technologies and solutions to support the net zero transformation.
- Includes Technology Demonstration & Energy Ecosystem Grants.



Major State Funding Schemes Northern Territory

Home and Business Battery Scheme

- Homeowner, business or a not-for-profit orgs, grant to buy and install batteries and inverters.
- Grant of \$400 per kilowatt hour of useable battery system capacity, up to a maximum grant of \$5000.

Smarter Business Solutions*

- Reduce day-to-day energy, water, waste and material costs.
- Offers advice and grants including:
 - Up to 50% of cost for efficiency improvements - max \$20,000
 - Up to 20% for installation of off-grid renewable energy systems - max \$20,000
 - Up to 10% for installation of on-grid renewable energy systems - max of \$10,000.



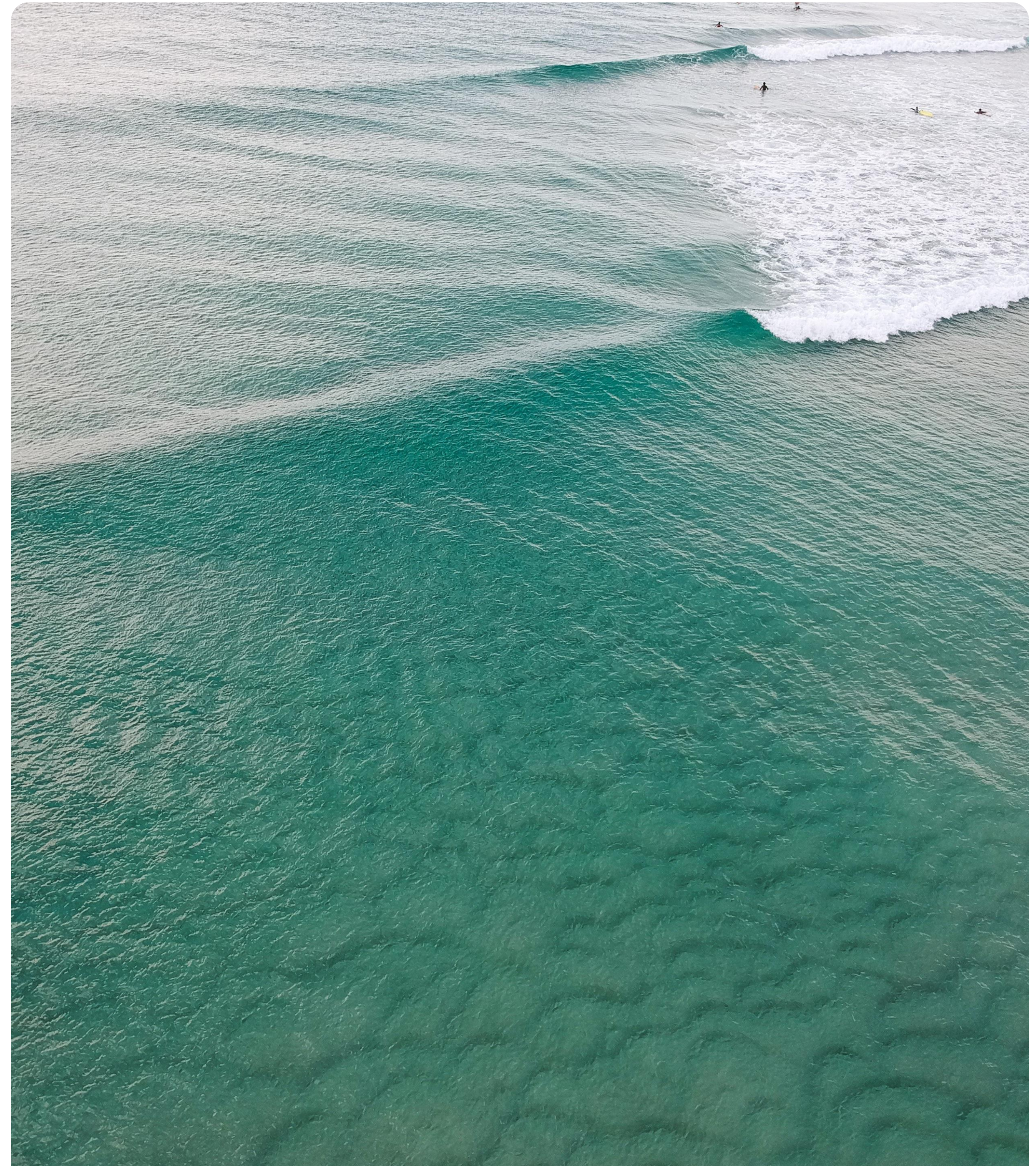
Major State Funding Schemes Tasmania

[AgriGrowth Loan Scheme](#)

- Provide loans from \$100,000 to \$3m for projects otherwise unable to be financed under normal banking arrangements.
- Tasmanian Farm Business (agriculture, horticulture, pastoral, apiculture, or aquaculture) or an Agri-food Business (transform, package or otherwise value-add to primary products).
- Includes Young Farmer Support Package.

[Business Energy Efficiency Scheme*](#)

- Provides loan interest subsidies through once-off grant payment.
- Funds:
 - Full interest costs up to \$10,000 over the first three years, and
 - 5 percentage point interest subsidy for loan amounts over \$10,000 and less than \$60,000 over the first 3 years.





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