Priority Design Treatments

Cycle Network Local Government Grants

Scope
The Cycle Network Local Government Grants program (the Program) provides funding to councils to deliver cycling and supporting infrastructure on the Principal Cycle Network. 100 percent grant funding is available for councils to design projects which will deliver one of the following priority design treatments:

1. Retrofit of devices to physically separate bicycles from motor vehicle traffic on an existing on-road cycle facility.
2. New on-road bike lanes which are physically separated from motor vehicle traffic (also called cycle tracks).
3. Advisory lane or cycle street treatment.

The Queensland Cycling Strategy 2017-2027 has a vision for more cycling, more often. The Program is targeting funding towards achieving this vision, specifically towards using design treatments which are nationally and internationally recognised as best practice for providing a safe environment, leading to greater participation from people of all ages and abilities.

Funding requirements
100 percent grant funding is available for identified priority design treatments. Please note, a maximum of 50 percent grant funding still applies to the construction of these facilities. Construction funding applications should be submitted separately, upon finalisation of the project design.

Application requirements
To apply for 100 percent grant funding for a priority design treatment project, councils should complete all fields in the normal Program application form. The following details should be included to register it as a priority design treatment project application:

- Project summary – identify which of the applicable treatment options the project will undertake (dot points 1-3 outlined above).
- Construction type – select design as your Infrastructure Type (only design projects will be considered for 100 percent grant funding. A construction application can be submitted next round once the design project is complete).
- Project cost – provide a project cost estimate and list full amount under state contribution.
- Project description – clearly identify the scope of the project.
- Provide a preliminary concept design for the route.

Deliverables
The project must deliver a detailed design plan for a project(s) on a High Priority Route on the Principal Cycle Network.

It is your council’s decision as to whether the design is undertaken in-house or by a contractor. If you would like advice on contractors with relevant experience in designing separated cycling facilities, please contact the Program team.
The Department of Transport and Main Roads’ technical advisors are able to provide input on project briefs and technical requirements for the purpose of tendering a contract if required.

Projects approved for funding should be rolled out through the following steps:

- **Step 1** – Re-submit a concept design for approval, if required. Identify staged delivery for detailed design, where relevant.
- **Step 2** – Regularly check-in with appointed departmental technical advisor (advisors will provide design assistance on best practice design treatments as project progresses)
- **Step 3** – Submit a draft design plan for review.
- **Step 4** – Submit a final detailed design plan for approval.
- **Step 5** – Apply for construction funding as part of the next Program funding round, where appropriate and possible.

All designs must comply with the *Active Transport Investment Program Technical Requirements*. Please note this document includes specific guidance on priority design treatments.

**Contact information**

If you have any further enquiries, please contact the Program team:

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