

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Issued by Authority of the Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development

Subject - *National Land Transport Act 2014*

Roads to Recovery Funding Conditions 2014

The Australian Government has extended the Roads to Recovery Programme from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2019.

As required under Subsection 90(1) of the *National Land Transport Act 2014* (the Act), this instrument determines the conditions under which payments will be made under the Roads to Recovery Programme after 30 June 2014 and the conditions with which funding recipients, mostly councils, must comply as they spend Roads to Recovery payments.

The conditions determined for the funding period 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2014 will continue to apply to payments made during that period.

In line with the policy which has operated since the programme began in 2001, the conditions determined in this instrument continue to give funding recipients the right to choose the projects to be funded from their allocations (provided that they are road projects as defined in the Act) and maintain the current simple administrative arrangements, with which councils are familiar, while ensuring proper accountability for the funds provided.

The Australian Local Government Association was asked to provide a national perspective; and the Australian Rural Roads Group and all State Local Government Associations were asked to canvass the views of their member councils on the (2009-2014) Roads to Recovery Programme in the context of programme administration for the funding period covered by this instrument and responses were addressed in the development of these conditions.

The instrument commences on the day after registration.

Authority: Subsection 90(1) of the
*National Land
Transport Act 2014*