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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government

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What measures will the Department put in place to promote the timely and effective delivery of community infrastructure programs in the future?

Answer:

Under the Department's new programs, i.e. the Regional Development Australia Fund and Community Infrastructure Grants, the Department requires applicants to provide detailed project and implementation plans in both the application and funding agreement schedules. These plans, in combination with regular progress reports, provide assurance and better risk management of project timeframes and expenditure and promote the timely and effective delivery of community infrastructure programs.