



# Telecommunications Infrastructure

## What is it?

Investment in regional communications to support agribusiness and remote communities.

## Why it's important

Mobile blackspots through regional Australia impede communications for rural businesses and households.

Previous funding rounds have been insufficient to address local blackspot issues.

Limited investment in infrastructure in regional areas by telecommunication suppliers/retailers other than Telstra has resulted in a limited and restricted market.

Market restrictions and limited diversity of suppliers has recently impacted council and other businesses operating in regional areas, particularly when seeking to operate from the Cloud.

Market restrictions puts businesses at risk with increased potential of down time and no alternative supplier.

## What we're seeking

A commitment to the continuation of mobile blackspot funding, coupled with incentivisation for investment in upgrades by telecommunication providers, even colocating on mobile towers.