

# Overview of fees for the Office of the Coordinator-General

July 2025

This guideline outlines the fees related to services offered by the Office of the Coordinator-General under the **State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971** (the Act).

This includes the fees associated with:

- the environmental coordination process for ‘coordinated projects’ under Part 4 of the Act (coordinated projects)
- an SDA application in ‘state development areas’ under Part 6, Division 1 of the Act (State development areas)
- a ‘private infrastructure facility’ including an ‘investigator’s authority’ under Part 6, Division 7 of the Act (private infrastructure facilities).

The fees, and when they are payable, are set by the State Development and Public Works Organisation Regulation 2020 (Regulation).

- (1) The fees payable under **part 4** of the **Act** are stated in **schedule 3**.
- (2) The fees payable under **part 4A** of the **Act** are stated in **schedule 4**.
- (3) The fees payable under **part 6, division 1** of the **Act** are stated in **schedule 5**.
- (4) The fees payable under **part 6, division 7** of the **Act** are stated in **schedule 6**.
- (5) The fees payable in relation to a request to take land for particular infrastructure facilities are stated in **schedule 7**.

If any information provided in this document is inconsistent with the Regulation, the Regulation prevails.

## Coordinator-General’s obligations

To make an application or request, the proponent is required to submit:

- all relevant documentation
- payment of the relevant fee.

Applications and requests that do not meet these requirements with the fee paid or waived, cannot be accepted by the Coordinator-General.

For subsequent fees (where relevant), the Coordinator-General’s obligations are suspended until the relevant fee has been paid.

For example, an invoice for a fee will be issued to the proponent when the Coordinator-General has determined that the draft environmental impact statement (EIS) or impact assessment report (IAR) has been satisfactorily prepared. The Coordinator-General's obligations to consider submissions are suspended until the proponent pays the relevant fee.

## Schedule of fees

### Coordinated projects

Fees are dependent on the project scope of the coordinated project. For example, an application for declaration of a resource project for which significant off-tenure approval would be required (e.g. infrastructure supporting a resource project such as a railway) would attract a fee of \$22,979 + \$4,778 = \$27,757 (see Appendix 1, Table 1).

If the project described above is also a 'controlled action' under the *Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* and will be assessed under the assessment bilateral agreement between the State of Queensland and the Australian Government (or another process determined by the Australian Environment Minister), an additional fee applies. The fee payable at the finalisation of a terms of reference for an EIS would be \$68,933 + \$33,424 + \$14,326 = \$116,683 (refer to row 1 of Appendix 1, Table 2).

The fee payable is the amount applicable at the time each payment event occurs, not the amount that applied when the project was declared a coordinated project. To determine when each fee is payable, see column 2 of Appendix 1, Tables 1–5.

### State development areas

Fees apply to all applications and requests made to the Coordinator-General in the following State development areas:

- Abbot Point State Development Area
- Bromelton State Development Area
- Bundaberg State Development Area
- Cairns South State Development Area
- Callide Infrastructure Corridor State Development Area
- Galilee Basin State Development Area
- Gladstone State Development Area
- Mackay State Development Area
- Stanwell-Gladstone Infrastructure Corridor State Development Area
- Surat Basin Infrastructure Corridor State Development Area
- Townsville State Development Area.

Each State development area is subject to a development scheme, a regulatory document that controls planning and development within that State development area.

Each development scheme regulates development differently, depending upon when each development scheme came into effect. It is important to read the relevant development scheme closely to understand the development that is regulated by the development scheme, and the types of applications or requests that may be made under that scheme.

Some development schemes may use different terms than contained within Appendix 2, but the schedule covers all applications and requests within all development schemes.

See Appendix 2, Table 1 for the schedule of fees and Appendix 2, Table 2 for the definition of uses. For developments with more than one aspect of development, a combined fee may be charged.

## Private infrastructure facilities

The fees associated with private infrastructure facilities, including an application for investigator's authority are shown at Appendix 3.

## Additional fees

The Coordinator-General may recover from the proponent, reasonable costs of any services or advice which the Coordinator-General considers necessary to either decide on an application or take other action in relation to the project.

For example, the Coordinator-General may seek to recover from the proponent the costs associated with commissioning an independent expert report into a particular technical aspect of the project that the Coordinator-General considers is necessary to evaluate a project's EIS or IAR. Goods and services tax (GST) is applicable for additional fees.

## Annual adjustment of fees

All fee schedules are adjusted annually to reflect movements in the Consumer Price Index (CPI). The CPI is based on the all-groups index for Brisbane published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics. All fees in the Regulation are exempt from GST.

The fees associated with coordinated projects and State development areas are updated annually on 1 July. The CPI calculation is over the previous 12 months ending in the March quarter of each year. On 1 July 2025, the relevant CPI rate applied to increase these fees was 2.7%.

The fees associated with Private infrastructure facilities are updated annually on 1 January. The CPI calculation is over the previous 12 months ending in the September quarter of each year. On 1 January 2025, the relevant CPI rate applied to increase these fees was 1.8%.

## Request for waiver or refund

### Waivers

Prior to making an application or request, a proponent may, in writing, request that the Coordinator-General waive all or part of the relevant fee. This request must provide sufficient grounds for the waiver.

In determining whether all or part of the fee should be waived, the Coordinator-General will consider the following matters:

- whether the proposed development has already undergone a separate assessment process
- whether the proposed use is ancillary<sup>1</sup> to the predominant existing use
- whether strict application of the schedule of fees would be unreasonable in the circumstances

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<sup>1</sup> 'Ancillary' means the use of premises associated with, but incidental and subordinate to, the predominant existing use. The Coordinator-General decides whether a proposed use is an ancillary use.

- whether the development is proposed by a local government or Queensland Government agency and is associated with the predominant existing development of the site and the development is in the public interest.

If a waiver is granted by the Coordinator-General it is only valid for six months, despite any future variations to the fees and this Guideline.

## Refunds

If a proponent has incorrectly lodged or overpaid a fee or decides to withdraw their application or request, they may ask the Coordinator-General in writing to refund all or part of the application or request fee.

For incorrectly lodged or overpaid fees, the proponent must request the full refund as soon as possible before any assessment has been undertaken by the Office of the Coordinator-General.

If assessment has commenced and if the Coordinator-General agrees to a partial refund, the amount refunded will be based on how far through the assessment process the application or request has progressed or any other relevant matter, such as the extent of work that has been undertaken by the Office of the Coordinator-General.

The request for a refund associated with a withdrawal of an application or request must be lodged at least two days before the Coordinator-General's decision; fees are not refundable once a decision has been made.

## How to pay

For applications and requests for State development areas, payment by Visa, MasterCard or American Express can be made via the Commonwealth Bank BPoint facility in the [secure online form](#) or payment can be made via direct deposit.

For coordinated projects and private infrastructure facilities, the department will issue a tax invoice upon receipt of the application or request, and when relevant for matters other than applications and requests.

### Details of the Department's bank account

Account name:	State Development and Infrastructure
BSB:	064-013
Account number:	10007096
Reference:	OCG Proponent's name e.g. OCGSmithJonesPL
ABN:	29 230 178 530

If paying by direct deposit, please notify the Office of the Coordinator-General when the payment is made.

## Further information

For further information or to request a pre-lodgement meeting please contact the Office of the Coordinator-General on 1800 001 048 or via email:

Coordinated projects: [cpdinfo@coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au](mailto:cpdinfo@coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au)  
State development areas: [sdainfo@coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au](mailto:sdainfo@coordinatorgeneral.qld.gov.au)

[www.statedevelopment.qld.gov.au/cg](http://www.statedevelopment.qld.gov.au/cg)

# Appendix 1- Coordinated projects fees

**Table 1: Coordinated project declaration**

Matter for which fee is payable	Event when payment is required	Amount of general fee (up to 30 June 2026)	Amount of fee if under EPBC Act assessment* (up to 30 June 2026)	Amount of fee if a resource project with a significant off-tenure project component (up to 30 June 2026)
Considering an application for declaration of coordinated project	Making the application	\$22,979	Nil	\$4778

\* For controlling provisions assessed under either an assessment bilateral agreement or another process accredited by the Commonwealth Environment Minister.

**Table 2: Coordinated project EIS process**

Matter for which fee is payable	Event when payment is required	Amount of general fee (up to 30 June 2026)	Amount of fee if under EPBC Act assessment* (up to 30 June 2026)	Amount of fee if a resource project with a significant off-tenure project component (up to 30 June 2026)
Notice of requirement for EIS, finalising the terms of reference for the EIS and considering advice from other entities	Giving the proponent a copy of the finalised terms of reference	\$68,933	\$33,424	\$14,326
Considering the draft EIS and submissions on the draft EIS (other than a revised draft EIS) up until the 18-month declaration lapse date, and preparing a report evaluating the EIS	The Coordinator-General decides that the proponent has prepared a draft EIS to his/her satisfaction	\$116,974	\$42,538	\$24,310
If decision is that the draft EIS is not a final EIS— instructing the proponent on additional information required, considering a revised draft EIS and any submissions and advice on a revised draft EIS	Giving the proponent notice of the decision not to accept the draft EIS	\$61,038	—	—

\* For controlling provisions assessed under either an assessment bilateral agreement or another process accredited by the Commonwealth Environment Minister.

**Table 3: Coordinated project IAR process**

Matter for which fee is payable	Event when payment is required	Amount of general fee (up to 30 June 2026)	Amount of fee if under EPBC Act assessment* (up to 30 June 2026)	Amount of fee if a resource project with a significant off-tenure project component (up to 30 June 2026)
For a draft IAR requiring public notification—considering the draft IAR (other than a revised draft IAR) and submissions and advice on the draft IAR, and preparing a report evaluating the IAR	The Coordinator-General decides that the proponent has prepared a draft IAR to his/her satisfaction	\$113,935	\$22,728	\$9743
For a draft IAR that does not require public notification—considering the draft IAR (other than a revised draft IAR) and any advice on the draft IAR, and preparing a report evaluating the IAR	The Coordinator-General receives the draft IAR	\$94,946	\$18,164	\$7786
Considering a revised draft IAR and any submissions or advice on the revised draft IAR	Giving the proponent notice of a decision not to accept the draft IAR as the final IAR	\$45,847	—	—

\* For controlling provisions assessed under either an assessment bilateral agreement or another process accredited by the Commonwealth Environment Minister.

**Table 4: Evaluation of change to a Coordinated project**

Matter for which fee is payable	Event when payment is required	Amount of fee (up to 30 June 2026)
Application for evaluation of environmental effects of proposed change to a project or because of a Coordinator-General's decision that the project has changed	Making of the application	\$13,838
If the Coordinator-General decides that public notification is not required, and the decision notice does not accompany the Coordinator-General's change report—considering advice from any entity or additional information from the proponent requested by the Coordinator-General, and preparing the change request evaluation report (change report)	Giving the decision notice that no public notification is required	\$29,708
If the Coordinator-General decides that public notification is required—the matters described above, as well as considering any submissions on the change application	Giving the decision notice that public notification is required	\$64,022

**Table 5: Request for extension of lapse date**

Matter for which fee is payable	Event when payment is required	Amount of fee (up to 30 June 2026)
Considering a request to state a later time for the declaration to lapse	Making of the request	\$5699
Continuing administration of the EIS assessment process after the superseded lapse date	Giving notice stating a later time for the declaration to lapse	\$18,720
Continuing administration of the IAR assessment process after the superseded lapse date	Giving notice stating a later time for the declaration to lapse	\$12,356
Evaluating a request to fix a later time for the Coordinator- General's report to lapse	Making of the request	\$9499

## Appendix 2 – State development area fees

**Table 1 State development area schedule of fees**

Matter for which fee is payable	Amount of fee (up to 30 June 2026)
<b>Making an SDA application under an approved development scheme for a State development area — particular uses</b>	
SDA application for a material change of use for any of the following uses <sup>2</sup> —	
a) extractive industry	\$63,441
b) industry other than an extractive industry	\$105,738
c) gas transportation infrastructure facility	\$63,441
d) infrastructure facility other than a gas transportation infrastructure facility	\$91,636
<b>Making an SDA application under an approved development scheme for an SDA—other uses</b>	
Application for approval of any other material change of use under the Act	\$63,441
<b>Making an SDA application under an approved development scheme for an SDA—other development</b>	
SDA application for reconfiguring a lot if the number of lots created is—	
a) 5 or less	\$6785
b) 6 lots	\$7463
c) 7 lots	\$8141
d) 8 lots	\$8819
e) 9 lots	\$9498
f) 10 lots	\$10,175
g) more than 10 lots	\$10,854
SDA application for operational work is—	
a) if the construction work <sup>3</sup> is less than \$500 000	2.5% of the construction cost (minimum of \$5000)
b) if the construction work <sup>3</sup> is \$500 000 or more	\$12,500 and 1.5% of the construction cost that is more than \$500,000 (maximum of \$200,000)
SDA application for all other development	\$61,038

<sup>2</sup> Defined terms that fall under the terms 'extractive industry', 'industry' and 'gas transportation infrastructure facility' uses vary between development schemes see Appendix 2 for further information.

<sup>3</sup> The construction cost of operational work means an amount that is the total cost of the operational work stated in a document and certified by a person registered as a professional engineer under the *Professional Engineers Act 2002*. This document is to be included with the SDA application.

Note: For an SDA application for operational work that is native vegetation clearing not associated with construction, the fee for the application is based upon the total cost of the vegetation clearing to be undertaken. The total cost of the operational work is to be stated in the SDA application and be accompanied by documentation demonstrating the total cost of the work.



Matter for which fee is payable	Amount of fee (up to 30 June 2026)
<b>Applications and requests for other matters under an approved development scheme for a State development area</b>	
Request to state a later currency period <sup>4</sup>	\$2715
Request for a minor change to an SDA application	\$7051
Request to carry out a prior affected development <sup>5</sup>	\$2823
Request for pre-lodgement consideration (written advice) <sup>6</sup>	5% of application fee for proposed development <sup>7</sup>
Change application for an SDA approval	fee payable for an SDA application
Change application for an SDA approval (minor change) <sup>8</sup>	25% of fee payable for an SDA application
Request to approve a plan for a reconfiguration under an SDA approval <sup>9</sup> —	
a) if the plan is for no more than 5 lots	\$342
b) if the plan is for more than 5 lots but less than 11 lots	\$680
c) if the plan is for 11 lots or more	
i for the first 11 lots	\$680
ii for each additional lot	\$137

<sup>4</sup> In some development schemes, this is referred to as a request to change a currency period.

<sup>5</sup> In some development schemes, this is referred to as an application for approval of an authorised use, alternative lawful use or approved use.

<sup>6</sup> No fee for pre-lodgement consideration where written advice is not requested.

<sup>7</sup> The fee will be credited to any subsequent SDA application fee.

<sup>8</sup> In some development schemes, this is referred to as making a minor change to an approval.

<sup>9</sup> In some development schemes, this is referred to as a request for approval of a plan of subdivision.

**Table 2 State development area definition of uses**

Use of land category (as per Appendix 2, Table 1)	State development area	Use referred to in development scheme
Extractive industry	Abbot Point	Extractive industry
	Bromelton	Extractive industry
	Galilee Basin	Extractive industry
	Gladstone	Extractive industry
	Townsville	Extractive industry
Industry other than an extractive industry	Abbot Point	High impact industry Intensive animal industry Intensive horticulture Medium impact industry Special industry
	Bromelton	Aquaculture High impact industry Intensive animal industry Intensive horticulture Medium impact industry Special industry
	Bundaberg	Aquaculture High impact industry Marine industry Medium impact industry Special industry
	Cairns South	High impact industry Intensive horticulture Low impact industry Medium impact industry Special industry
	Galilee Basin	High impact industry Medium impact industry Power station Resource activity Special industry
	Gladstone	High impact industry Low impact industry Medium impact industry Special industry
	Mackay	High impact industry Medium impact industry Special industry
	Townsville	High impact industry Low impact industry Medium impact industry Special industry

Use of land category (as per Appendix 2, Table 1)	State development area	Use referred to in development scheme
Gas transportation infrastructure facility	Callide Infrastructure Corridor	Gas transportation infrastructure
Infrastructure facility other than a gas transportation infrastructure facility	Abbot Point	Air services Infrastructure corridor Linear infrastructure facility Major electricity infrastructure Port facilities Rail infrastructure Renewable energy facility Residue storage facility Substation Telecommunications facility Transport depot Utility installation
	Bromelton	Major electricity infrastructure Renewable energy facility Substation Telecommunication facility Transport depot Utility installation
	Bundaberg	Linear infrastructure facility Major electricity infrastructure Port facilities Renewable energy facility Substation Telecommunication facility Transport depot Utility installation
	Cairns South	Freight terminal Major electricity infrastructure Renewable energy facility Substation Telecommunications facility Transport depot Utility installation
	Callide Infrastructure Corridor	Services infrastructure
	Galilee Basin	Air services Bulk materials transport facility Major electricity infrastructure Other rail infrastructure Rail infrastructure Rail transport infrastructure Substation Telecommunications facility Transport depot

Use of land category (as per Appendix 2, Table 1)	State development area	Use referred to in development scheme
		Utility installations
	Gladstone	Freight terminal Linear infrastructure facility Major electricity infrastructure Port facilities Renewable energy facility Substation Telecommunications facility Transport depot Utility installation
	Mackay	Battery storage facility Food and drink outlet Low impact industry Research and technology industry Renewable energy facility Service industry Service station Substation Telecommunications facility Transport depot Utility installation Warehouse
	Stanwell to Gladstone Infrastructure Corridor	Materials transportation and services infrastructure
	Surat Basin Infrastructure Corridor	Infrastructure facility Rail infrastructure Services infrastructure
	Townsville	Freight terminal Infrastructure facility Renewable energy facility Service station Substation Telecommunications facility Transport depot Utility installation
SDA application for any other material change of use	All State development areas	All other uses not specified above

## Appendix 3 – Private infrastructure facility fees

Matter for which fee is payable	Amount of fee (up to 31 December 2025)
Private infrastructure facility application fee	\$158,449
Investigator's authority application fee	\$43,215
Infrastructure facilities of significance application fee	\$79,226