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**EXPLANATORY NOTE NO. 1: AMENDMENT TO PROGRAM END DATE FOR INFRASTRUCTURE EMPLOYMENT PROJECTS (IEP)**

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***Current:***

The Jobs Fund Guidelines in relation to the Infrastructure Employment Projects stream state an end date of 30 June 2011.

***Change:***

The end date and eligibility dates (including Gateway Criteria) in relation to the Infrastructure Employment Projects stream will be 30 June 2012.

***Explanation:***

To date the IEP program has been used to fund Australian Government initiated projects which, while varying in size, have tended to be strategic projects which require detailed pre-construction development. These projects have the potential for long term economic and employment benefits but are more complex than was envisaged at the Program's inception. The Jobs Fund - IEP Guidelines have been amended to reflect a revised end date from 30 June 2011 to 30 June 2012 to allow such projects to be considered for funding.

This note should be read in conjunction with the Jobs Fund Guidelines and form an integral part of them for IEP projects only.

**Date of effect:**

The new end date came into effect on 5 July 2010.