

AUSTRALIAN INDUSTRY PARTICIPATION



Overview

The Australian Industry Participation (AIP) policy aims to ensure that Australian industry has full, fair and reasonable opportunity to bid for work utilising AIP Plans.

The Applicability for AIP Plans to be completed on Projects

- Major Projects under the Australian Jobs Act 2013: Projects establishing or upgrading eligible Australian facilities with a capital expenditure of \$500 million or more must prepare an AIP plan
- Commonwealth-funded projects (CAIP): Projects receiving \$20 million or more in Australian Government contracts, grants, or investments may require a CAIP plan

This obligation extends to principal contractors engaged under contracts valued at \$1 million or more.

What if I do not comply?

The AIP Authority have a range of consequences that they may exercise. Examples are, but not limited to:

- **Public notices** (AIP non-compliance register)
- **Performance and restraining injunctions**

Visit the AIP website for more details.



MANAGING & IMPLEMENTING YOUR PLAN

ICN is Here to Support You

ICN is your essential partner in your AIP journey, providing knowledge and connection to Australia's largest supplier database.

- Help you create your AIP Plan
- Advertise opportunities on Gateway by ICN to 80,000+ suppliers
- ICN manages supplier EOI registrations and communication
- ICN coordinates your project briefings, including event logistics

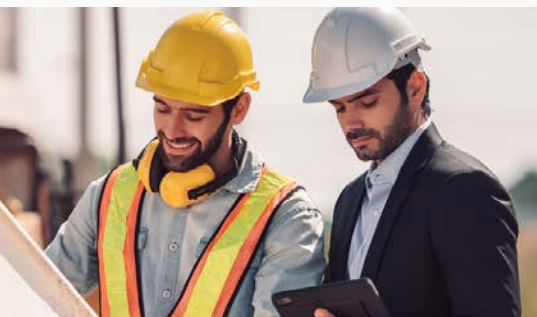
In 2025–26,

8,100+ companies

\$3.21B+ awarded

113 projects

2,500+ packages



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STEP 1: NOTIFY THE AIP AUTHORITY

You must submit a project notification form **within 60 days** of the earliest of the following events:

- The project concept design begins.
- A project proponent starts an environmental assessment.
- A project proponent enters into a contract with another person to carry out an environmental assessment of the project.
- The raw materials for the project are estimated.
- The utility consumption for the project is estimated.

At any other time, you become aware of your project may be a major project, you must notify **within 14 days**.

To submit a project notification to the AIP Authority, you must lodge a project notification form through the **Industry Forms Portal**.

Once your project notification form is received the AIP Authority will confirm the project trigger date with you.

STEP 2: DEVELOP & SUBMIT YOUR AIP PLAN

A draft AIP Plan is to be submitted **at least 90 days before** the project's trigger date. The plan has to be submitted regardless of outstanding conditions or approvals. The draft AIP Plan is to be prepared using the **Industry Forms Portal**.

Your AIP Plan is to contain the following key Core Requirements:

- Description of Project
- Include project contact details and project website addresses
- Indicative list of Key Goods and Services for the Project
- Engagement and Communication
 - Clearly advertise opportunities to Australian suppliers
 - Provide pre-qualification requirements and guidance on how suppliers can participate
 - Feedback to unsuccessful Australian bidders
- Capability Development
 - Support Australian suppliers to develop skills and integrate into global supply chains
 - Include strategies for training, mentoring, or technical
 - assistance where appropriate

STEP 3: APPROVAL

The AIP Authority will take all reasonable steps to make a decision **within 30 days** of receiving your plan.

They will email you to advise you about any decisions regarding the approval of the plan. If they approve your draft AIP plan, it then becomes the approved AIP plan for the project from the date of approval.

Refer to the **AIP webpage** to learn more about the AIP policy and for further information.

