



## OFCP Information Service

### **Description**



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## • Here to assist with the OFCP rebate program

The National Farmers Federation and Regional Tech Hub are supporting the Australian Government's \$53 million On Farm Connectivity Program through a dedicated information service. Producers can utilise the Regional Tech Hub's 1:1 communication channels to ask questions and seek expert advice. You can get in touch by contacting our 1800 hotline, or fill out a simple form and we will get back to you with more information.

The Australian Government's [On Farm Connectivity Program page](#) provides the latest information about the rebate program.

### Latest News

**14/01/25** A third (3) round of grant funding for the On Farm Connectivity Program has been announced. A total of \$20 million will be available for Round 3, with applications opening later in 2025, with grant funding to be delivered in 2025-26.

The department are currently consulting with a wide range of key stakeholders. Such consultations will inform the drafting of a discussion paper relating to the design of Round 3. The discussion paper will enable wider industry and stakeholder engagement through a public consultation process.

Given the feedback received on the Program since 2023, it is likely that Round 3 will see several design changes. Therefore, the List of Eligible Equipment, and prior rounds' Grant Opportunity Guidelines should not be used as a reference point for Round 3.

At this stage, rebates for Round 3 are more likely to proceed towards the end of the 2025 calendar year.

**17/07/25** Public consultation on Round 3 is now open. The Australian Government's department has released a Discussion Paper which outlines proposed changes to the Program.

**26/08/25** Formal public consultation opened on 17 July 2025 and has now closed. The department is reviewing all submissions, and the feedback received will inform the development of the final program design and grant opportunity guidelines.

### How to Keep Informed

Primary producers and suppliers who wish to be included on the department's email list to receive updates or information about consultation for Round 3, should send an email to



[OFCP@infrastructure.gov.au.](mailto:OFCP@infrastructure.gov.au)

- ○ Case Studies  
May 23, 2024

### **On Farm Connectivity Case Study: Automated and portable cattle weighing system**

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### **On Farm Connectivity case study: Comprehensive on-farm security system**

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### **On Farm Connectivity case study: Digital water monitoring infrastructure**

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June 21, 2024

### **On Farm Connectivity: Water monitoring on remote NT station**

## **• Frequently asked questions**

- ○ 1When will the third round of the OFCP open?

At this stage the third roundâ??s dates for opening have not been announced.

It is expected that the round will open **later in 2025**. When the date is announced this page will be updated, otherwise follow the departments [webpage](#).

- 2Can I buy something now and claim it when Round 3 opens?

No. Any products purchased before the round opens, or before an application has been approved under the round, is **not eligible** for a rebate.



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The department strongly suggests you do not purchase any equipment or connectivity solutions until your rebate application has been approved following opening of the round. Prior to this point, there is no guarantee your purchase will be eligible under the Program.

- 3I received a rebate in a previous round, am I eligible to apply for a rebate in Round 3?

Yes, primary producers who received a rebate in previous rounds can apply in Round 3 as long as they continue to meet the eligibility requirements, noting these may change for Round 3.

- 4What equipment will be eligible for the OFCP rebate?

The department is unable to provide specific details about what will be included in the final list of approved equipment for Round 3, as this is dependent on the outcomes of the public consultation process,. Once finalised, the grant opportunity guidelines will be released later in 2025.

- 5Who can I speak to about my farmâ??s phone and internet connectivity?

The Regional Tech Hub are here to assist you, with a fully staffed help desk. Each member of the help desk are based in regional Australia, providing free independent expert advice.

Reach out to our hotline (1300 081 029) or send a message via the [contact us webform](#)

## • Looking for more ag-connectivity advice?

The Regional Tech Hub supports the agricultural industry through a dedicated knowledge hub.

The page helps farmers navigate the connectivity investment landscape and make informed decisions for their business by providing free and independent advice on producersâ?? connectivity options.

- **Ag-Connectivity Knowledge:** clear explanations of connectivity options, tailored to rural, regional, and remote conditions.
- **Building Connectivity Literacy:** online resources, toolkits, and practical tips to help you get the most out of connectivity and agritech solutions.
- **Learning through Case Studies:** real-world examples showing how farmers have improved operations through better connectivity and smart technology choices.



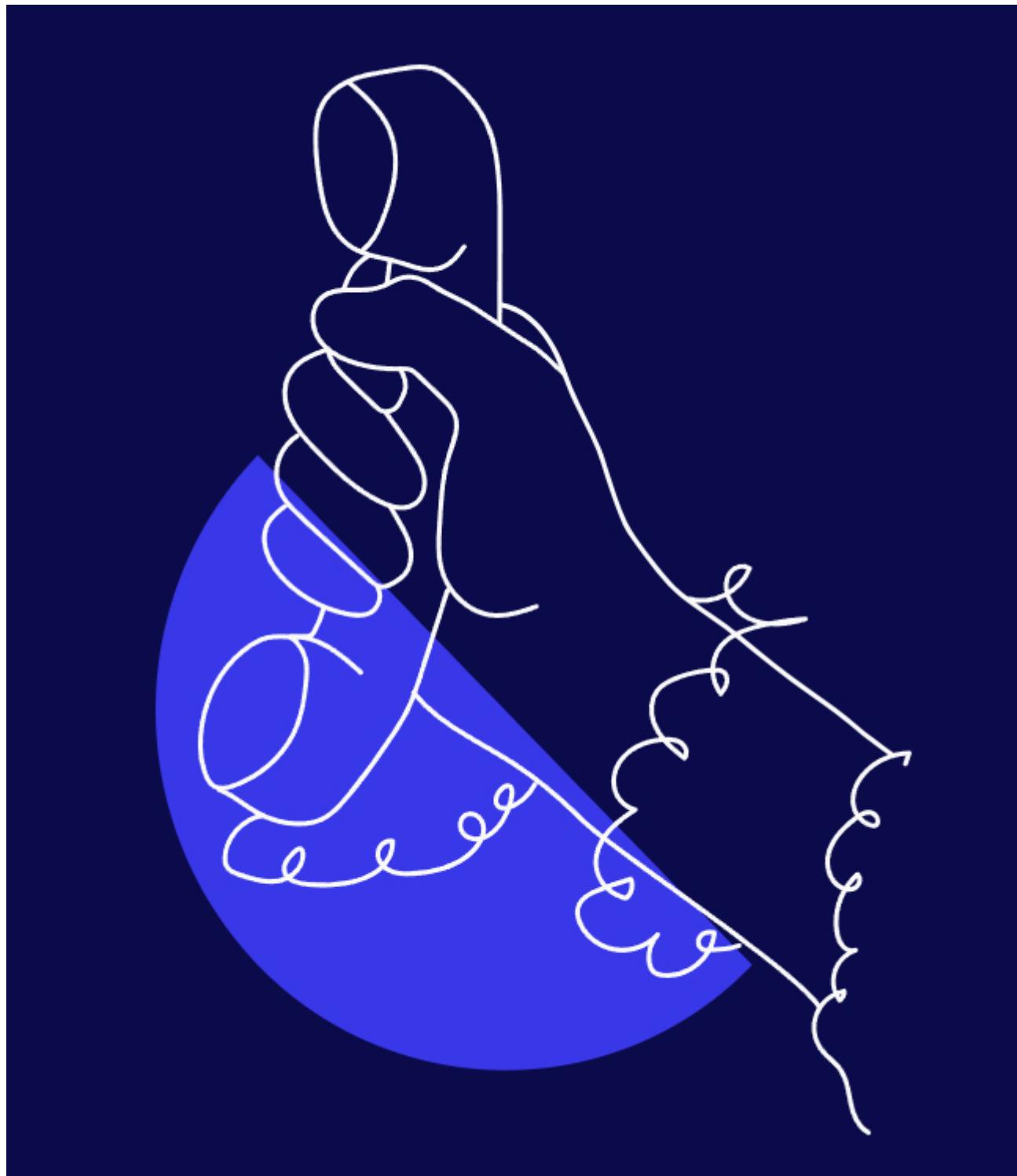
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**Want to know more?**



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Reach out to the On Farm Connectivity Information Service if you have any questions about how the program works or what connectivity solutions might be right for you. Simply, visit our website or call us on 1300 081 029.

[Contact us now](#)

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