HPSR Application Form
Form Preview

Have you previously applied?

* indicates a required field

Have you previously been approved and received payment for a grant under the Victorian Horticulture Producer Storm Recovery Grants (2026) program? *
- ○ Yes
- ○ No

ATTENTION: DO NOT CONTINUE TO SUBMIT THIS FORM

If you are an existing applicant who has not been approved for your full grant allocation, and are wanting to add **Subsequent Claims** to your existing application, you **do not** need to continue filling out a new application.

Please email admin@ruralfinance.com.au to have a **Subsequent Claims form** attached to your original application number.

Applicant Details

* indicates a required field

Business Details

Business/Trading Entity Name *
Organisation Name

This should match the entity name of your ABN

ABN (Number only) *

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity Name	
ABN Status	
Entity Type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	
ATO Charity Type	More information
ACNC Registration	

Tax Concessions
Main Business Location
Must be an active ABN

Industry *

Industry where the majority of your primary production income is generated

Gross annual primary production income *

$
Must be a dollar amount.
Approximate only.

Property size (Ha) *

Must be a number.

How many employees does your primary production enterprise have? *

Must be a number.

Has your primary production enterprise been trading for at least one full financial year? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No

What year was your primary production enterprise established? *

Farm property address (Select from dropdown list once entered) *
Address

Select from dropdown list once entered. Ensure this is the full address on your rates notice, lease etc.

Local Government Area (shire)

WARNING: IF THIS SECTION DOES NOT POPULATE PLEASE CHECK YOUR ADDRESS ABOVE

Associated Contacts

Primary contact name *
First Name Last Name

Your role in the primary production business (e.g. Director, Partner, Sole Trader, Manager, etc)

Mobile *

Must be an Australian phone number.

Telephone

Must be an Australian phone number.

Email *

Must be an email address.

Secondary contact name

First Name Last Name

Secondary contact mobile

Must be an Australian phone number.

Secondary contact email

Must be an email address.

Third Party Authorisation (if applicable)

Authorised Third Party

First Name Last Name

Mobile

Must be an Australian phone number.

Telephone

Must be an Australian phone number.

Email

Must be an email address.

Occupation

Please select from the above list

Do you allow for this Third Party contact to receive correspondence relating to your application?

○ Yes ○ No

Eligibility Criteria

* indicates a required field

Please enter your previous application number (e.g. RF-1234-HPSR) *

Your application number will have been emailed to you when you submitted your first application for this grant

How you meet the Eligibility Criteria

Have you read and understood the Program Guidelines associated with this program? *

○ Yes
○ No

Is your horticulture production enterprise located in the defined disaster area for the eligible disaster and have suffered direct damage as a result of the eligible disaster? *

○ Yes
○ No

Do you devote part of your labour to the horticulture production enterprise? *

○ Yes
○ No

Do you derive more than 50% of your gross income from the horticulture production enterprise in an average year or do you generate more than $75,000 gross income from the horticulture production business in an average year? *

○ Yes
○ No

Does your business hold a current Australian Business Number (ABN) and have held that ABN at the time of the time of the disaster (March 2026)? *

○ Yes
○ No

Were you engaged in carrying on the horticulture production enterprise when affected by the disaster? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No

Are you primarily responsible for meeting the costs claimed in this application? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ No

Do you believe you may be eligible on another basis in line with the Program Guidelines (for example 4.2 or 4.3 of the Guidelines)? *

- ○ Yes
- ○ Not Applicable

If Yes, please outline here: *

Claim Details

* indicates a required field

Direct Damage Caused to the Horticulture Production Enterprise

Please describe the direct damages to your horticulture production enterprise that occurred as a result of the disaster. This section should be accompanied by photos confirming the damage where possible. *

List of costs to be incurred as a result of the disaster

Please refer to the Program Guidelines for more information about how the grant funding can be used to help pay for the costs of clean-up and reinstatement of your horticulture production enterprise.

A total of up to three claims may be submitted up to the maximum grant amount available. Should an initial application be for less than the maximum grant amount, up to two additional claims may be submitted. Any additional claims will be considered by Rural Finance on a case by case basis.

Grant claims can only be for costs that are not covered by insurance or other government programs.

ACTIVITIES AND WORKS TO BE UNDERTA Cost: ($ - Excluding GST)
KEN TO REINSTATE THE HORTICULTURE
PRODUCTION ENTERPRISE (please list ac

tivities, including explanatory notes whe re required).

(Please list activities, including explanatory notes where required)	Must be a dollar amount.

Estimated Total Costs

This number/amount is calculated.

Total Grant Amount Sought: *

(Do not include $ symbol. Must not be more than $25,000.

Insurance

Has a claim for insurance been made in relation to direct damage caused by the disaster? *

- ○ Yes - please summarise claim below
- ○ No - please indicate why below
- ○ Uninsured
- ○ My/Our policy does not provide cover for the items damaged or damage caused by the disaster

Please provide commentary *

Documentation Checklist and Bank Details

* indicates a required field

To avoid any delay in the processing of your application, please ensure you have provided all the information listed below.

A. Proof of ID –Such as valid Drivers Licence, Passport, Heavy Vehicle Licence

B. Proof of property location – e.g. copy of latest Council Rates, lease documentation, share-farming contract, or other contract that confirms the place where the Horticulture Production Business is operating.

C. Proof of Income – Latest available Tax Return or Financial Statements for your Horticulture Production Business (Notice of Assessments are not acceptable)

D. Proof of direct impact from the March 2026 North-West Victorian Storms – Supporting documents such as photos (jpeg or gif only) and description of direct storm impacts (refer to section 9 of this form)

A. Proof of ID *
Attach a file:

Such as valid Drivers License, Passport, Firearms License

B. Proof of property location *
Attach a file:

e.g. copy of latest Council Rates, lease documentation, share-farming contract, or other contract that confirms the place where the Primary Production Business is operating.

C. Proof of income - Please remove your Tax File Number (TFN) before uploading (Notice of Assessments are not acceptable) *
Attach a file:

Latest available Tax Return or Financial Statements for your Primary Production Business

D. Proof of direct impact from the March 2026 North-West Victorian Storms *
Attach a file:

Supporting documents such as photos (jpeg or gif only), quotations, damage assessments, advisory reports, invoices or receipts.

If you are applying for a grant amount above $5,000 (Tier 2 funding) and already have invoices for claims, please attach evidence of expenditure:

E. Proof of expenditure and payment – Tax Invoices, as well as evidence of payment (e.g. bank transfer(s) and/or bank statement(s) with any relevant official receipt(s) from suppliers or contractors)

NOTE: If you do not have proof of expenditure now, you can only claim up to $5,000 under Tier 1. You can provide proof of expenditure at a later date to access additional Tier 2 funding.

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Attach a file:

Tax Invoices, as well as evidence of payment (e.g. bank transfer(s) and/or bank statement(s) with any relevant official receipt(s) from suppliers or contractors)

New Business Application documents

As you have indicated that your horticulture production enterprise has not been trading for one full financial year, we will require the following documents to assess your eligibility as a new farm business:

- Full farm business plan
- Cashflow forecast including average year (and including assumptions)
- Most recent full personal tax returns of all business owners/partners

- Proof of farm set-up expenses already incurred (e.g. stock purchases, machinery purchases, other input costs etc)

Please **upload** these documents under **C. Proof of Income** above.

Bank Account Details

Bank Account *
Account Name

BSB Number | Account Number

Must be a valid Australian bank account format.
NOTE: Please ensure bank details are correct as this is where your grant funds will be paid.

Privacy Consent and Declaration

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We, Rural Finance and Agriculture Victoria, are collecting your personal information to process your application for the Victorian Horticulture Producer Storm Recovery Grant. We will use the personal information you have provided to assess your eligibility for assistance against the scheme criteria and provide the assistance to you if applicable and for reporting, publicity, evaluation and audit purposes. You do not have to provide this information, but failure to do so means Rural Finance which is a brand used by Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Ltd ABN 11 068 049 178 ("Rural Finance") and/or Agriculture Victoria will not be able to assess your application. You authorise Rural Finance and Agriculture Victoria to obtain in connection with this Application, any personal and other information about your expenditure and your business including your assets, liabilities, income and/or expenditure from third parties (e.g. your accountant).

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By submitting an application as a sole trader, trust, partnership or private company, I have the authority to make this application on its behalf, and do solemnly and sincerely declare that this application is true and correct in every particular and in accordance with the Program Guidelines. I make this declaration with the understanding that if the application is found to be untrue or misleading the matter may be referred to law enforcement and penalties may apply. *

☐ I agree

For further information

Please contact Rural Finance if you have any questions on 1800 260 425.