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The Hon Ruth Forrest MLC
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Estimates Committee 'A'
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Dear Ms Forrest

APPROPRIATION BILL (No. 1) 2025

Thank you for your letter dated 17 November 2025, requesting additional information following examination of my portfolio by the Legislative Council Select Budget Estimates Committee 'A'. Please find the requested information below for noting.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE GROWTH
Output Group 7 – Renewables, Climate and Future Industries Tasmania
7.2 Climate Change

1. Can you provide the table that shows the breakdown of funding - for the 2025/26 - 2028/29 year to deliver programs or projects to be delivered under the six resilience plans.

Funded Emissions Reduction Resilience Plan (ERRP) Programs by Sector						
		Status at November 2025	Total funding allocated \$'000	Total funding expended \$'000	2025-26 Budget allocation \$'000	Lead/Partner
Cross-cutting						
1	Climate Change Business Innovation Grant Program to support businesses to take action on climate change, focusing on local innovation, collaboration and partnerships.	In progress	550	....	550	Climate Change Office
2	Business and Industry Climate Change Innovation Forum to showcase the innovative work underway across Tasmania, provide information about emerging opportunities and risks, and encourage networking and information sharing between sectors.	In progress	50	....	50	Climate Change Office
3	Climate Change Champions Program to develop ways to recognise innovative, best practice climate action across all sectors.	In progress	150	150	....	Climate Change Office / Brand Tasmania
4	Climate Reporting Support Program to support small- to medium-sized businesses to better understand climate-related risks to meet changing regulatory and market demands, including measuring and reporting on their emissions.	In progress	200	....	200	Climate Change Office
Transport						
5	Financial support for Tasmanians to purchase electric bikes (E-bikes included in Energy Saver Loan Scheme).	Complete	 ¹	....	....	Climate Change Office
6	Support small businesses to purchase cargo e-bikes for last mile deliveries (Deliver-e grant).	Complete	300	300	....	Climate Change Office
7	Support small businesses to purchase electric delivery vans (Deliver-e grant) ² .	Complete	....	....	....	Climate Change Office
8	Fund pilot sites for secure bike parking.	In progress	200	....	200	Climate Change Office
9	Grants to support the expansion of the state's electric vehicle (EV) charging network (ChargeSmart 3). ³	Complete	500	500	....	Climate Change Office

¹ Funding of \$250,000 was originally allocated for electric vehicle charging infrastructure under Tasmania's Climate Change Action Plan 2023-25 but was reallocated to the energy saver loan scheme. This funding is not included in the total funding for ERRP implementation.

² This program's funding is addressed through program number 6.

³ The actual amount of grants awarded was \$567,000, utilising unexpended funds from the previous round of ChargeSmart.

Funded Emissions Reduction Resilience Plan (ERRP) Programs by Sector							Lead/Partner
	Status at November 2025	Total funding allocated \$'000	Total funding expended \$'000	2025-26 Budget allocation \$'000			
10	Support the Australian Electric Vehicle Association (AEVA) National Conference and the Energy, Efficiency, Electric Expo in Hobart.	73	73	....			Climate Change Office
11	Develop public education resources about driving electric vehicles in Tasmanian conditions, EV tourism materials, and resources for small business.	200	50	150			Climate Change Office
12	Support industry to develop a skills transition plan to support the switch to electric vehicles, delivered through funding for TasTAFE to subsidise EV-related automotive training for the Tasmanian automotive industry.	200	200	....			Climate Change Office / TasTAFE
Waste							
13	Collaborate with the Waste and Resource Recovery Board and other key stakeholders to consider emissions reduction and resilience in waste policies and projects.	....	....	....			Climate Change Office/WRR Board
IPPU							
18	Work with partners to support research and development to reduce emissions across the IPPU sector (Heavy Industries Low-Emissions Technology CRC membership).	200	200	....			Climate Change Office / HILT CRC
19	Hold roundtable meetings to share information and learnings about existing technology options to decarbonise ⁴.	....	....	....			Climate Change Office/TMEC/HILT CRC
IPPU and Energy							
20	Expand engagement with Tasmanian major industrial businesses to support our large emitters to reduce emissions and achieve their decarbonisation plans ⁵.	....	....	....			Climate Change Office
21	Work with relevant peak bodies and industry to map the strategic transition requirements for Tasmanian businesses to reduce emissions from their energy use and industrial processes.	100	....	100			Climate Change Office / TMEC
Energy							
22	Develop information and resources to support landlords to improve energy efficiency in rental properties.	50	....	50			Climate Change Office
23	Work with partners to support households to make informed decisions about reducing or electrifying their gas and other fossil fuel use.	50	....	50			Climate Change Office
24	Work with partners to deliver workshops for community sector professionals to assist vulnerable clients to manage their energy use and power bills.	50	....	50			Climate Change Office
Agriculture							

⁴ This program's funding is addressed through program number 18.

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Funded Emissions Reduction Resilience Plan (ERRP) Programs by Sector							Status at November 2025	Total funding allocated \$'000	Total funding expended \$'000	2025-26 Budget allocation \$'000	Lead/Partner
25	Develop a program to support agri-food businesses to better understand climate-related risks to meet changing regulatory and market demands.	In progress	200	....	200	Climate Change Office					
26	Seek opportunities for Tasmania through the Australian Government's commitment to accelerate on-ground action through training, education and capacity building.	Scoping	200	....	200	Climate Change Office / NRET					
27	Partner in the Zero Net Emissions Agriculture Cooperative Research Centre (CRC) ⁶ .	Complete	....	....	....	Climate Change Office / NRET					
28	Consider climate change impacts as part of Tasmania's annual Agribusiness Insights Report ⁷ .	In progress	....	....	....	Climate Change Office / NRET					
29	Review the \$250,000 Carbon Farming Advice Rebate Pilot Program to ensure it complements new national approaches ⁸ .	In progress	....	....	....	Climate Change Office / NRET					
30	Establish a group or partner with existing networks to coordinate action between Tasmania's primary industries ⁹ .	Scoping	....	....	....	Climate Change Office / NRET					
	LULUCF										
31	Work with key partners to develop resources to increase understanding for landowners to participate in carbon and other emerging markets.	In progress	150	150	....	Climate Change Office					
32	Work with local government, regional development authorities and other institutions to plant climate-tolerant trees in urban environments, to increase carbon storage and build resilience during high temperatures.	In progress	200	....	200	Climate Change Office					
33	Undertake a gap analysis and audit of Tasmania's seed bank capacity to support research into seed sourcing, to improve the resilience of native forests and plantations under the changing climate.	Scoping	50	....	50	Climate Change Office / partner organisation					
34	Work with the Australian Government to improve transparency of LULUCF emission reporting, for example in relation to native forest harvesting and bushfires ¹⁰ .	Ongoing	....	....	....	Climate Change Office					
Total funding allocated			3 673	1 623	2 050						

⁶ This program is delivered through an in-kind contribution.

⁷ This program is delivered in collaboration with the Department of Natural Resources Tasmania using existing resources.

⁸ This program is funded through the Department of Natural Resources Tasmania.

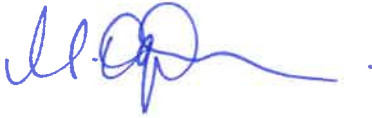
⁹ This program is delivered in collaboration with the Department of Natural Resources Tasmania using existing resources.

¹⁰ This program is delivered applying existing resources within the Department of State Growth.

2. Which, if any, projects extend beyond 2028-29?

None of the above programs have funding that will extend beyond 2028-29. All remaining funding for the programs is allocated in 2025-26. All programs are expected to be initiated within this timeframe with ongoing activities progressing across the forward estimates for some of these programs. If there is a need to adjust cash flows as programs progress, this will be addressed through standard departmental budget processes.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Ogilvie', followed by a horizontal flourish.

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Minister for Environment