

When to use this form

This is an application form for grant funding for exploration drilling under the fourth round of the NSW Government's New Frontiers Cooperative Drilling grants program.

Applications for round four open on 1 July 2021. A total of \$2.2 million in funding is available, with a maximum grant amount of \$200,000 available to successful applicants.

How to submit this form

Completed grant application forms must be received before **5pm AEST 31 August 2021**.

Email: cooperative.drilling@geoscience.nsw.gov.au

Receipt of applications will be acknowledged by email.

More Information

Please read the [Guidelines](#).

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Note

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You may apply to the Department to access and correct any personal information the Department holds about you if that information is inaccurate, incomplete, not relevant or out of date.

3. Applicant details

Organisation type – select one	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Companies (incorporated under the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i> – may be not-for-profit or for-profit proprietary company or public companies limited by shares or by guarantee)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Incorporated Associations (incorporated under state/territory legislation, commonly have 'Association' or 'Incorporated' or 'Inc' in its legal name)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Incorporated Cooperatives (also incorporated under state/territory legislation, commonly have "Cooperative" in its legal name)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Partnerships
<input type="checkbox"/>	Trustee on behalf of a Trust
<input type="checkbox"/>	Unincorporated Joint Venture
<input type="checkbox"/>	Individual or individuals (jointly and separately)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please specify)

Any correspondence in relation to this application will be sent to this person.

Contact Details	
Contact name	
Position held	
Company	
Postal address	
Phone (incl area code)	
Mobile	
Email	

Your preferred contact method

- Email (for companies – provide a company email address which is regularly monitored rather than an individual employee's email address)
- Phone/mobile
- I agree to receive email correspondence relating to future rounds of cooperative drilling.

Applicants are required to have the insurances listed below. Tick to confirm and attach certificates of currency to your submission.

Insurance required	Minimum sum insured
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Liability	\$10 million for any single occurrence and unlimited in the aggregate as to the number of occurrences
<input type="checkbox"/> Workers Compensation	As required by the law of each relevant state and territory

Insurance required	Minimum sum insured
<input type="checkbox"/> Incorporated Cooperatives (also incorporated under State/territory legislation, commonly have "Cooperative" in its legal name)	Comprehensive motor vehicle insurance if company vehicles used

4. Project / Prospect details

Details	
Project/Prospect Name	
Licence type and number	
Exploration target	
Commodity type(s)	

4.1. Map of Project / Prospect location

Provide a map showing the location of the project/prospect and proposed drill hole location(s) subject to this application.

Indicate whether you have inserted your map in the field below or attached it separately.

- I have attached a map
- I have inserted my map below:

4.2. Project / prospect description and drilling plan

(A) Provide a brief overview of the geology and past exploration in the region of your application, and the tenement (500 words maximum).

(B) Describe the exploration program for the current term and how the proposed drilling would form part of the program (500 words maximum).

(C) Provide a work plan summary of the proposed drilling program including the target(s) (100 words maximum).

Hole name / number	Azimuth	Dip	Collar RL	Final depth (m)	Open Hole (m)	RC (m)	Diamond (m)	Other (m)	Proposed sample size/weight	Proposed start date	Proposed end date

(D) Has approval for the proposed drilling program been given or applied for? (provide details and supporting documentation, maximum 100 words).

(E) Provide a project budget for the proposed drilling program. Include direct cost estimates for drilling and associated on-costs. Please attach additional files as required.

(F) What is the dollar amount of funding (GST exclusive) being requested in this application? The maximum that can be requested is 50% of the total per metre drilling cost and is capped at \$200,000.

5. Technical assessment criteria

(A) Proposed drilling programs must test new geoscience frontiers:

Describe how your proposed program tests sound geological models and innovative concepts and ideas (500 words maximum).

This question has a 30% weighting in the technical assessment.

(B) Describe how your proposed program advances exploration in previously under-explored areas? For example, does the program test an area previously untested, undrilled, under-drilled or where previous work was ineffective? (500 words maximum).

This question has a 35% weighting in the technical assessment.

(C) Describe the work you have already undertaken to define the drill target(s)? (500 words maximum).

Attach an exploration rationale, including relevant plans, cross-sections, geophysical and geochemical surveys that have identified the proposed target.

This question has a 25% weighting in the technical assessment.

(D) Provide details of the proposed work program and the anticipated information that will be acquired as part of the exploration program (e.g. element suite to be assayed, downhole geophysical methods, petrology, geochronology, isotopic analysis etc). (300 words maximum).

This question has a 10% weighting in the technical assessment.

6. Fees

There are no fees for the submission or assessment of this application.

7. Declaration

Each applicant (or the authorised officer or agent) must complete the declaration below and sign this form.

- (For companies and agents) I declare that I am authorised to complete and lodge this application.
- I certify that the information provided is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand under the *Crimes Act 1900 NSW* Part 5A, that knowingly or recklessly giving false or misleading information is a serious offence, and under the *Mining Act 1992* section 378C, any person who provides information that the person knows to be false or misleading is guilty of an offence, for which they may be subject to prosecution.

1 st Applicant details	
Name	
Position/title	
Date	
Signature	

2 nd Applicant details (if needed)	
Name	
Position/title	
Date	
Signature	

3 rd Applicant details (if needed)	
Name	
Position/title	
Date	
Signature	

Checklist for applicants

Item	Completed
Completed the Application form	<input type="checkbox"/>
Attached organisation type information if required	<input type="checkbox"/>
Attached map and project information (if not included on application)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Attached Public Liability Insurance, Workers Compensation and Comprehensive Motor Vehicle certificates	<input type="checkbox"/>
Declaration signed on the Application Form	<input type="checkbox"/>