

# FACT SHEET

## Minor reconstruction works

Clause 6.3.4 of the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements-Western Australia 2018

This fact sheet aims to provide clarity as to the definition of **minor reconstruction works** and the verification requirements associated with these activities, as outlined in clause 6.3.4.

*“Where the state carries out minor reconstruction works that result in no change to the pre-disaster function of the essential public asset – for example, gravel re-sheeting, patching, grading, road infrastructure replacement of drainage repair – the state is not required to document that primary asset function and the asset classification under the Essential Public Asset Function Framework.”*

- This may **sound** like asset owners don't need to complete any pre-disaster function information, but this is incorrect.
- The Pre-disaster function requirement involves detailing the Primary Function (Category & Purpose) and Classification (Type, Capacity, Layout and Materials) of the Asset.
- Clause 6.3.4 is misleading and the lack of clarity has been raised with the Commonwealth who have indicated some evidence of function is required for minor reconstruction works. As a result, the term minor reconstruction works does not impact on what is required for pre-disaster function information. When repairing damaged assets the options are:
  - Emergency Works – No pre-disaster information is required. All works must be completed within 3 months of the event, or from the date of access to the damaged asset.
  - Immediate Works - No pre-disaster information is required. All works must be completed within 3 months of the event, or from the date of access to the damaged asset.
  - Restoration of Essential Public Assets: For all essential public asset reconstruction the options to provide evidence of pre-disaster function include:
    - Completing the simple [Template - Pre-Disaster Function](#), that has been developed and is available from the DFES website.
    - If you choose to provide the Pre-Disaster Function information in another format, then use the Template - Pre-Disaster Function as a guide, to ensure the information you're providing meets the assurance requirements of the State and Commonwealth, and submit your information with the damage assessment template.



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- Use your asset database to run a function and classification report. The information required in this report is detailed in the [Fact Sheet – Pre-disaster function](#)
- Support your information with photographic evidence as required.

**Conclusion:** Asset owners will need to submit pre-disaster function information, in relation to minor reconstruction works. Due to the lack of clarity on this issue, the DRFA-WA recommends that the simple [Template – Pre-Disaster Function](#) is used for minor reconstruction works.

More information about the process for *defining essential public asset pre-disaster function* can be found in the [Fact Sheet - Pre-disaster function](#).

## References:

- [DRFA-WA Homepage](#)
- [DRFA-WA Guideline](#)

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