

Drought Assistance Initiatives

Name of initiative	Synthetic Surfaces Program
Description	The Synthetic Surfaces Program will provide funding for strategically placed and targeted “drought proof” playing and training surfaces to allow a regional sporting competition to continue regardless of availability of water.
Who is eligible?	The Department of Planning and Community Development will work with sports and local government to develop projects at key regional and outer suburban locations. Funding of up to \$300,000 on a \$1 DPCD : \$1 local matched basis, will be provided for establishment of sports facilities with synthetic surface(s) to allow a sport to maintain training and competition across a region.
How to apply / access	<p>Projects funded through this program will not be identified through an application process.</p> <p>The Department of Planning and Community Development will hold discussions with sports and councils to identify possible locations.</p> <p>The Department of Planning and Community Development will then approach the council where a location has been identified and may negotiate a grant of up to \$300,000 for a project.</p>
Website link	www.sport.vic.gov.au

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