



REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Weekly Report 27 August to 31 August 2018

Date:	31 August 2018	Priority:	Medium
Security classification:	In Confidence	Tracking number:	0811 18-19

Action sought		
	Action sought	Deadline
Hon Shane Jones Minister for Regional Economic Development	Discuss at the next officials meeting	N/A
Fletcher Tabuteau Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Minister for Regional Economic Development	Discuss at the next officials meeting	N/A

Contact for telephone discussion (if required)			
Name	Position	Telephone	1st contact
Nigel Bickle	Head of Provincial Development Unit	Privacy of natural persons	
Ben Dalton	Head of Regions and Project Delivery		
AJ Millward	General Manager Strategy and Governance		✓
Robert Pigou	Acting Head of Investment Management		



1. Provincial Growth Fund Proposals

Taranaki

Comment:

Taranaki Crossing Experience - Feasibility underway

Work will commence next week on the Taranaki Crossing Experience feasibility work. The Taranaki Crossing Evaluation Panel (which comprises of representatives from local iwi, the Department of Conservation, and the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment) have selected a preferred supplier to undertake this work.

A report outlining options for upgrading components of the crossing is due to be completed in December 2018. Regional Economic Development Ministers have conditionally approved \$13.5 million for the upgrade, dependent on the outcome of the feasibility work.

Taranaki - Just Transitions

The next workshop of the Taranaki Transitions Working Group will take place on 7 September 2018. Clean energy will be a key focus of the discussion, with the aim of broadening the previous workshop discussion on the key enablers of a sustainable clean energy sector in Taranaki.

Venture Taranaki's Transitional Economy Manager, recently funded through the Provincial Growth Fund (PGF) will attend the workshop, and will help to shape next steps for the region. The workshop will be preceded by separate youth outreach and union (E Tū) outreach events.

Responsible Manager: Ben Dalton, Privacy of natural persons

Next Steps:

Feasibility work for the Taranaki Crossing Experience is underway and is expected to be completed by December 2018.

Top of the South – Te Tau Ihu

Comment:

Wellbeing Living Standards

Regional stakeholders including councils, the regional economic development agency, and Ministry of Social Development are meeting this week with Conal Smith from Kōtātā Insight to learn how the work of The Treasury, in developing Intergenerational Wellbeing Living Standards, can help shape a Data Dashboard of measures relevant to Te Tau Ihu.

Responsible Manager: Ben Dalton, Privacy of natural persons

Next Steps:

The Provincial Development Unit (PDU) will update you on any outcomes from the meeting

Waikato

Comment:

Following your visit to Thames-Coromandel, Hauraki and Matamata-Piako districts in early August, a number of proposals have been received from the three districts:

- Expression of Interest (EoI) from Coromandel Marine Farmers' Association to expand Sugar Loaf Wharf to meet future industry needs. The PDU is currently working with other government agencies to review the EoI. Advice is also

Next Steps:

Officials will work with applicants to progress these projects through the PGF process.

Further Waikato proposals are expected to emerge following the Waikato



expected from Land Information New Zealand (LINZ) this week around ownership of the wharf.

- EoI from Hauraki Historical Maritime Park to turn the Park into a commercially-focused, multi-purpose tourist attraction. The applicant has notified the PDU that it now intends to submit a new application by October Commercial Information [redacted].
- Application from Matamata-Piako District Council to develop Waharoa as an industrial hub.
- Application from Matamata-Piako District Council to develop Te Aroha as a boutique health and wellbeing-focused tourism precinct.

PDU will assess these new applications next week.

Responsible Manager: Ben Dalton, Privacy of natural persons [redacted]

Economic Summit on 30-31 August 2018.

Tairāwhiti

Comment:

On 7 September 2018, Minister Jones and the Prime Minister will be in Tairāwhiti to announce a package of PGF funding for the region. Plans for the event are well underway and the PDU is working with local stakeholders.

Responsible Manager: Ben Dalton, Privacy of natural persons [redacted]

Next Steps:

A full event briefing as well as draft media statements will be provided to your office by 4 September.

Hicks Bay

Commercial Information - application withdrawn



2. Provincial Development Unit

PipeDrive Update

Comment:

As at 27 August 2018, 459 projects had been lodged in PipeDrive, 17 are new projects as of this week. Of the 459 projects, 219 are EoIs, 238 are applications and two are enquiries. Of the 238 applications, 100 have had funding committed.

Responsible Manager: Robert Pigou, Privacy of natural persons

Update on PGF funding

Comment:

As of 24 August, \$227 million of funding for PGF proposals has been approved by Regional Economic Development Ministers or Senior Regional Officials. This is broken down by Tier as follows:

- Tier 1: Regional projects and capability: \$44,355,799
- Tier 2: Sectors: \$128,809,600.
- Tier 3: Enabling Infrastructure: \$56,815,100.

The total amount that has been committed, meaning a legal contract has also been signed, is \$38,852,025. The total amount paid is \$2,249,833.

Responsible Manager: Robert Pigou, Privacy of natural persons

BNZ / PwC

Comment:

We have been working with the Bank of New Zealand (BNZ) and PwC for some months in support of their initiative to undertake a series of workshops around the country utilising the BNZ Partner's client network. As with other private sector relationships, we have made it clear to both BNZ and PwC that this is not an exclusive arrangement - PDU will be working with all major banks and professional services firms.

Below are the dates and locations of the BNZ / PwC sessions:

- Hastings: 12 September
- Gisborne: 13 September
- Palmerston North: 19 September
- Whanganui: 20 September
- Tauranga: 26 September
- Whakatane: 27 September.

Responsible Manager: Robert Pigou, Privacy of natural persons

Next Steps:

The PDU is working with BNZ and PwC to finalise details for the first event on 12 September 2018



3. Employment

He Poutama Rangatahi

Comment:

On Wednesday 29 August 2018 the Minister of Employment, Hon Willie Jackson, announced funding for three He Poutama Rangatahi (HPR) initiatives in Tairāwhiti. These projects will be managed by the Eastern Institute of Technology Aoteaora Social Enterprise Trust and Turanga Ararau.

With this announcement there will now be 19 HPR projects in operation. These projects are aiming to support around 2,300 rangatahi over two years on pathways to sustained employment in the four targeted regions; Eastern Bay of Plenty, Tairāwhiti, Te Taitokerau and Hawke's Bay.

HPR principles of using pastoral care (targeted support to overcome individual barriers and also employer needs) and Sector Workforce Engagement Programme led industry strategies are being considered in a number of central initiatives to tackle long term unemployment. Implementation of these principles needs to take into account local barriers, and filling the gaps caused by funding constraints and practical limitations faced by local agencies.

Responsible Manager: Kate Fiddell, Privacy of natural persons

Next Steps:

HPR is moving into implementation phase.

There continues to be strong local demand for HPR type initiatives, both for youth not in employment, education or training and for other groups needing support to get to sustained employment. Ways of addressing this demand are currently being considered, including through the PGF where appropriate.

4. Media and Communications Schedule

Event or announcement date	Activity	Speech / media release due	MBIE Contact
7 September 2018	Prime Minister and Minister Jones will be in Tairāwhiti to announce a package of PGF funding announcements	Your office will be provided with media releases and speaking notes for the Prime Minister.	Yvette McKinley



5. Upcoming Meetings and Events

Meeting / Event	Support
Monday, 3 September 2018	
4.30pm-5.00pm Minister Jones Meeting with <small>Privacy of natural persons</small>	MoT to provide briefing material
5.00pm-6.00pm Minister Jones RED Ministers meeting	Briefing sent 29 August
Tuesday, 4 September 2018	
Wednesday, 5 September 2018	
3.30pm-4.30pm Minister Jones – PDU Officials meeting	
4.30pm-5.30pm USEC – PDU Officials meeting	
Thursday, 6 September 2018	
USEC – NZ Tourism Awards	Briefing due 3 September
Friday, 7 September 2018	
All day Minister Jones and USEC – visit to Tairāwhiti	Briefing due 4 September

September

- 17 - Independent Advisory Panel meeting
- 25 - Wood Processing and Manufacturing Association event (USEC)
- 27 - Senior Regional Officials meeting
- 27 - He kai kei aku ringa, Rangatahi Business Challenge (USEC)

November

- 5 - RED Ministers meeting
- 16 - Independent Advisory Panel meeting
- 22 - Senior Regional Officials meeting
- 29 - West Coast visit

October

- 16 - Independent Advisory Panel meeting
- 18 - RED Ministers meeting
- 25 - Senior Regional Officials meeting

December

- 6 - Independent Advisory Panel meeting



6. Completed Briefings, Aides Memoire and Reports

Tracker number	Title	Minister/US EC	Signed out by	Date delivered
0712 18-19	Event briefing for attending the Waikato Economic Development Summit on 30 August 2018	Minister Jones	AJ Millward	27 August 2018
N/A	Speech notes for the Waikato Economic Development Summit on 30 August 2018	USEC	AJ Millward	27 August 2018
0437 18-19	Update on Capacity and Capability proposals to the PGF	USEC	AJ Millward	28 August 2018
0673 18-19	Briefing for RED Ministers meeting 3 September 2018	Minister Jones	Robert Pigou	28 August 2018
0789 18-19	Event briefing for Napier Aquarium announcement on 31 August 2018	USEC	Ben Dalton	29 August 2018

7. Upcoming Cabinet Papers, Briefings, Aides Memoire and Reports

Tracker number	Title	Minister/USEC	Signed out by	Delivery Date
0806 18-19	Event briefing for attending and presenting at the Tourism Industry Awards on 6 September	USEC	Hinemaua Rikirangi	3 September 2018
0656 18-19	PGF Cabinet papers	Minister Jones	AJ Millward	4 September 2018
0803 18-19	Event briefing for the Prime Minister's visit to Tairāwhiti on 7 September 2018	Minister Jones	Ben Dalton	4 September 2018
0802 18-19	Event briefing for Minister Jones' visit to Tairāwhiti on 7 September 2018	Minister Jones	Ben Dalton	4 September 2018
0801 18-19	Event briefing for the other Ministers visit to Tairāwhiti on 7 September 2018	Minister Jones	Ben Dalton	4 September 2018
TBC	Event Briefing for USEC's speaking engagement at the Wood Processing and Manufacturing Association event in Rotorua on 25 September 2018	USEC	Ben Dalton	21 September 2018



Tracker number	Title	Minister/ USEC	Signed out by	Delivery Date
TBC	How to provide PGF funding to assist EDAs to improve their capacity and capability.	USEC	AJ Millward	17 September 2018
TBC	Event briefing and a speech for the He kai kei aku ringa, Rangatahi Business Challenge on 27 September	USEC	Hinemaia Rikirangi	21 September 2018

PROACTIVELY RELEASED



8. Ministerial Servicing

Ministerial OIAs						
Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office	Date due to requestor	Status	Request
OIA117	Privacy of natural persons	15 Aug 2018	29 Aug 2018	5 Sep 2018	Sign out	List of briefings referenced in parliamentary questions regarding Northland
OIA113		7 Aug 2018	30 Aug 2018	6 Sep 2018 (to be extended)	Consultation	Event briefing for Acting PM's visit to Taranaki, Update on West Coast economic development issues, Factors impacting on the international competitiveness of New Zealand's sawmilling industry, engagement with Taranaki by the Provincial Development Unit and the Just Transition Unit
OIA120		17 Aug 2018	5 Sep 2018	12 Sep 2018	Collating documents	I request a copy of the Investment Statement
OIA112		7 Aug 2018	7 Sep 2018	14 Sep 2018	Consultation	Event briefing for meeting with Min Faafoi re: Kāpiti Air Services, Progressing RBI2/MBSF Expansion, Wider RED Ministers Agenda and papers Advice on hospital related requests for PGF funding, Manawatū-Whanganui Provincial Growth Fund Announcements
OIA104		26 Jul 2018	10 Sep 2018	17 Sep 2018	Consultation	A copy of: Accelerating processing of low-value PGF applications, How Ministers are informed of Provincial Growth Fund proposals, RED Officials meeting 27 June – agenda and papers – 25 June, IAP Advice for 2 July RED Ministers meeting – 28 June, RED Ministers meeting 2 July – agenda and papers – 28 June



Ministerial OIAs						
Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office	Date due to requestor	Status	Request
OIA122	Privacy of natural persons	27-Aug-18	12-Sep-18	19 Sep 2018	Scoping	I request the following information: Any and all advice, written and verbal, received regarding funding decisions relating to the Waitangi National Trust since November 2017
OIA127		28-Aug-18	18-Sep-18	25 Sep 2018	Scoping	I request a copy of the following document: 1. 15 August Progress update on PGF proposal as at 14 August 2018 I also request the agenda, minutes and associated papers prepared for the following meetings: 13 August RED delegated Ministers meeting, 15 August MBIE weekly officials meeting

PROACTIVELY RELEASED



Departmental OIAs

Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office (if applicable)	Date due to requestor	Status	Request
1819-0101	Privacy of natural persons	20 Jul 2018	N/A	5 Sep 2018	Sign out	A copy of all unredacted documents and correspondence between Mokihinui Lyell Backcountry Trust and MBIE and the relevant Ministers office (Regional Economic Development Minister Shane Jones). DOC West Coast (or DOC Westport) and MBIE (and the Regional Economic Development Minister Shane Jones) during the period of October 2017 and 1 August 2018
1819-0108		23 Jul 2018	11 Sep 2018	17 Sep 2018	Consultation	All documents, including the application, emails, concerning the Dunedin Waterfront Project's PGF application
1819-0261		21 Aug 2018	N/A	18 Sep 2018	Drafting	Copy of Te Hua O Te Kawariki Trust Manea Footprints of Kupe Business Plan
1819-0275		23 Aug 2018	13 Sep 2018	20 Sep 2018	Scoping	Items relating to funding Waitangi National Trust since November 2017
1819-0271		23 Aug 2018	13 Sep 2018	20 Sep 2018	Scoping	All info regarding the decision to set aside \$30million for all weather racing tracks
1819-0296		27 Aug 2018	17 Sep 2018	24 Sep 2018	Scoping	Applications, cases and advice that PDU has provided regarding fund recipients



Documents for Proactive Release

Tracking Number	Name	Due to Minister's Office	Due for release	Status
0637 18-19	Regional Economic Development Weekly report for week ending 17 August 2018	24 Aug 2018	31 Aug 2018	Approved
0688 18-19	Regional Economic Development Weekly report for week ending 24 August 2018	31 Aug 2018	7 Sep 2018	Minister's office
3286 17-18	Northland Announcements – 1 June 2018	31 Aug 2018	7 Sep 2018	Consultation

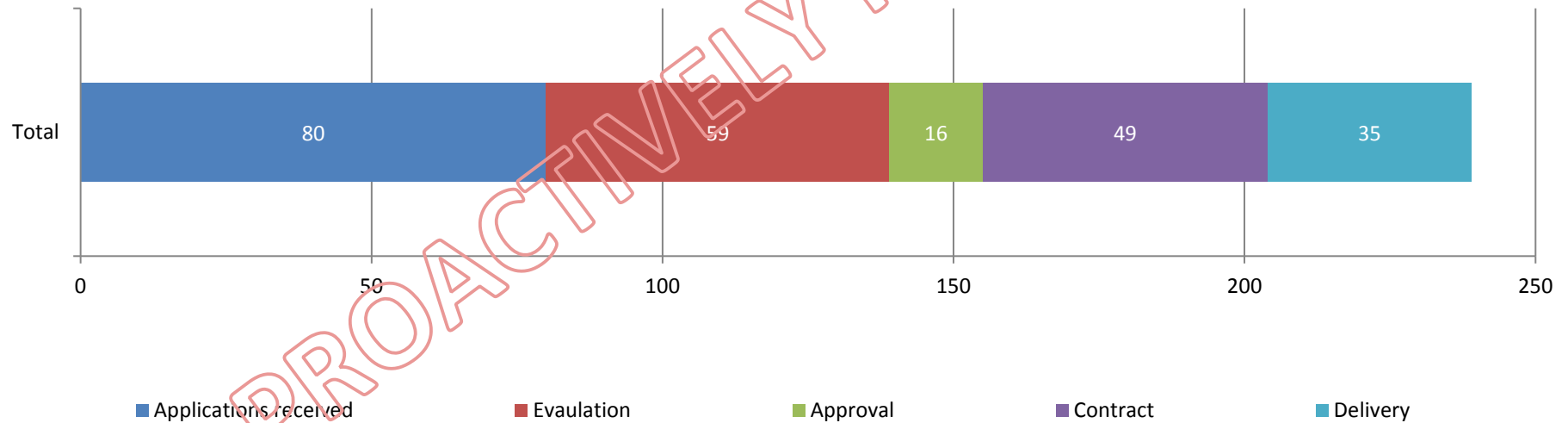
Ministerial Correspondence

Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Due to Minister's Office	Subject
SJ1453	Privacy of natural persons	21 Aug 2018	7 Sep 18	Tasman District Council and the Waimea Dam
SJ1449		21 Aug 2018	7 Sep 18	Tasman District Council and the Waimea Dam
SJ1451		21 Aug 2018	7 Sep 18	Tasman District Council and the Waimea Dam
SJ1464		21 Aug 2018	7 Sep 18	Tasman District Council and the Waimea Dam
SJ1429		21 Aug 2018	7 Sep 18	Tasman District Council and the Waimea Dam
SJ1469		21 Aug 2018	7 Sep 18	Tasman District Council and the Waimea Dam
SJ1470		21 Aug 2018	7 Sep 18	Tasman District Council and the Waimea Dam
SJ1428		21 Aug 2018	10 Sep 18	West Coast Regional Council



9. PGF Update

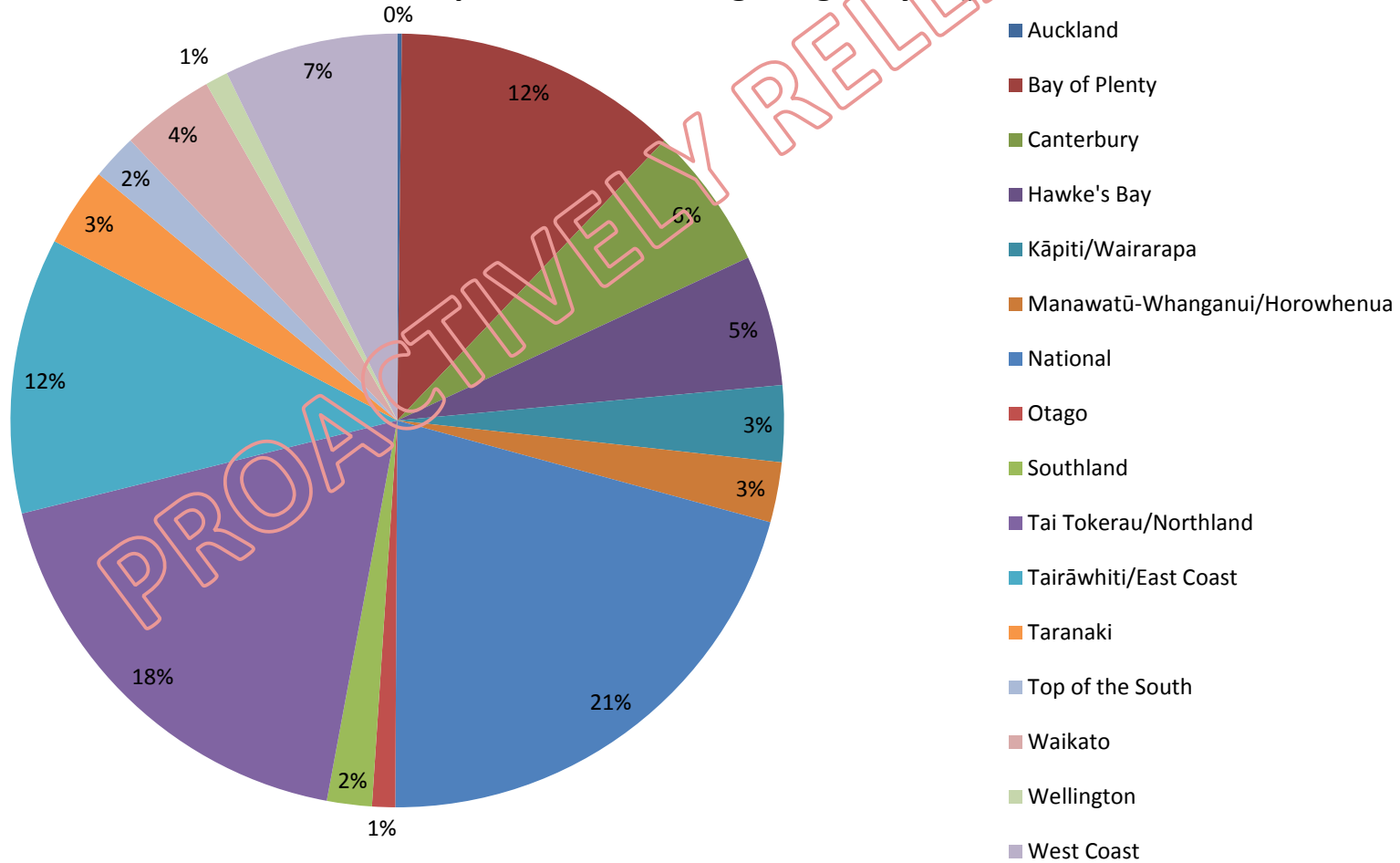
Progress of applications – 27 August 2018





Funding by region – 27 August 2018

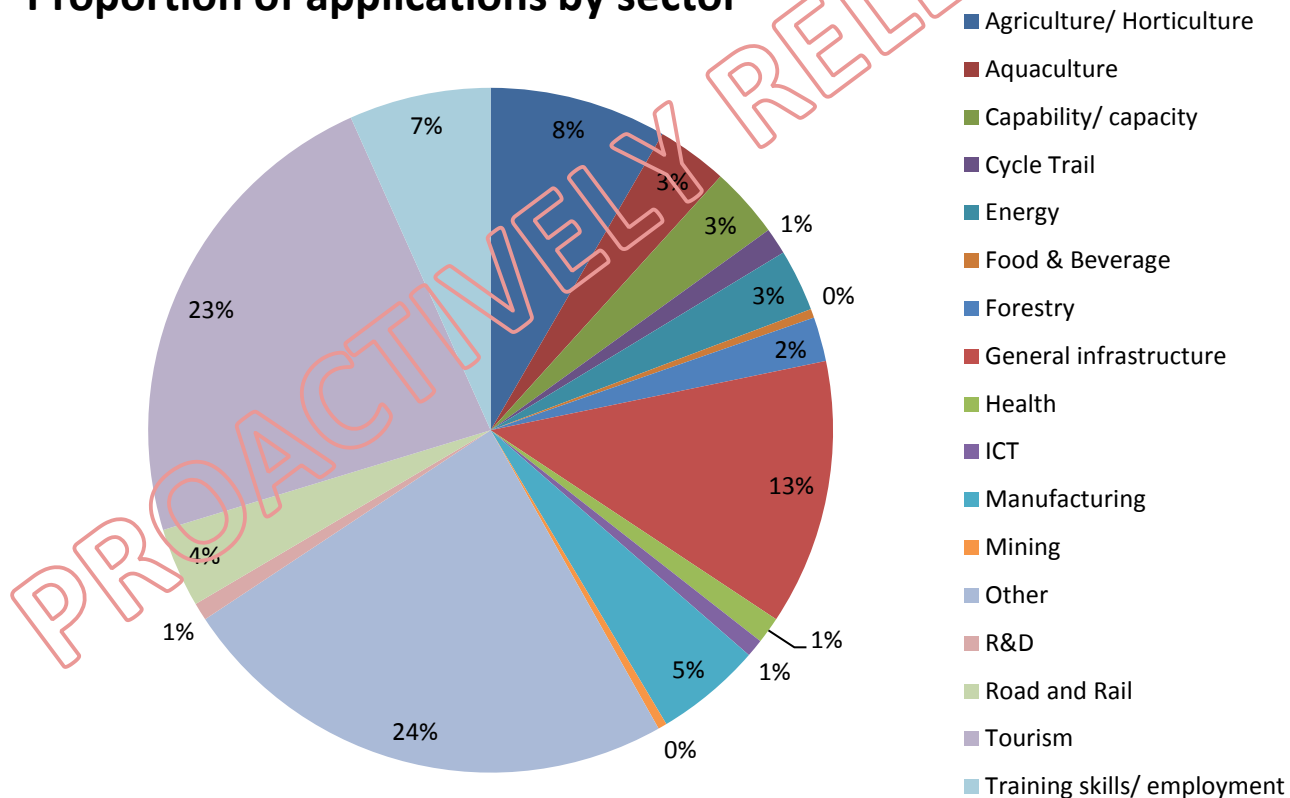
Proportion of funding sought by region





Applications by sector – 27 August 2018

Proportion of applications by sector





Applications by region – 27 August 2018

Proportion of applications by region

