Assistance to the Aviation Sector

Domestic Airports Security Costs Support (DASCS)

March 2021

Purpose

The objective of the DASCS program is to remove some of the mandated operating costs from the domestic aviation sector to assist participants recover from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, making it more viable for airlines in particular to maintain staffing numbers closer to the levels they will require in a post-COVID environment.

Who

Australian domestic airports that will be receiving Regular Public Transport services and are required to security screen under the *Aviation Transport Security Regulations 2005* (the Regulations) between 29 March and 30 September 2021 will be eligible for DASCS support.

Design

The program provides direct funding to eligible domestic airports to meet fixed costs related to security screening obligations under the Regulations) between 29 March and 30 September 2021. Funding is to be conditional on none of the grant funded costs being passed onto airlines.

Timing

The program runs from 29 March 2021 to 30 September 2021. Eligible domestic airports will be invited to apply for funding under the program in mid-March 2021.

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