



Who else will participate in the Pacific Seasonal Worker Pilot Scheme?

State government involvement

State government agencies will play an important role in the operations of the Pacific Seasonal Worker Pilot Scheme (the Pilot).

- State OH&S authorities will work with the community to achieve safe workplaces and effective return to work for injured workers.
- In addition, other state agencies such as health, law enforcement and industrial relations may have supporting roles in ensuring the Pilot is a success.

Local government

Local government will play an important role in the Pilot.

- Councils participate in the local advisory bodies (where present)—established to provide advice to the Australian Government and to be a local focus for the Pilot.
- Additionally, local councils along with the local advisory bodies will be a focus for community activities.
- Councils have an important role in encouraging developments to assist the local horticulture industry including access to transport services and provision of suitable accommodation for Pacific seasonal workers.
- Local government bodies and not-for-profit incorporated organisations are eligible to apply to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship for Diverse Australia Program funding, in order to support community activities.

Community organisations

Community organisations in selected locations will play an important role in the Pilot.

- They may have a role in local advisory bodies (where present) and provide advice to the Australian Government on the local operations of the Pilot.
- They may have a particular focus on pastoral care for Pacific seasonal workers, particularly church organisations who may provide both religious and community services to Pacific seasonal workers.
- In addition, specific organisations representing Pacific Islanders in Australia may help to broaden Pacific island communities' understanding of the Pilot.
- Trade Unions will play an important role in the Pilot. They will have membership in the local advisory bodies (where present) and play a role in providing independent advice to workers.