Mr Keenan said the Australian and Northern Territory Governments are committed to working together to help the people of Central Australia recover from this widespread flooding event.

“The assistance announced today will be provided through the jointly-funded Commonwealth-State Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA),” Mr Keenan said.

“This support will ensure local and state government agencies have the support they need to restore essential infrastructure, such as local roads damaged in the flash flooding.”

Mr Giles said heavy rains in Central Australia late last year caused relief amongst many Centralians and local cattlemen, but the after effects also created widespread flooding in areas such as Kulgera, the West MacDonnell Ranges and at various communities.

“The financial support announced today will assist local agencies to restore vital infrastructure, and will create local jobs and opportunities for more work participation,” Mr Giles said.

“This flooding took a toll on essential local infrastructure making it harder for people to get around, so this funding will make a real difference in Central Australia.”

Information about the available assistance can be found on the Northern Territory Government’s emergency information and response website securent.nt.gov.au and on the Australian Government’s Disaster Assist website disasterassist.gov.au.

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