

ANZAC MEMORIAL, SYDNEY
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#### PLANNING, INDUSTRY AND ENVIRONMENT

## REGIONAL DIGITAL CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM

\$400 million in capital funding from the \$4.2 billion Snowy Hydro Legacy Fund for the Regional Digital Connectivity Program to provide mobile black spot towers and data centres to improve internet connectivity and reliability in the State's regions.

#### IMPROVING INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES IN ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES

- \$55 million over four years under the Roads to Home Program to deliver local road infrastructure upgrades and subdivision in collaboration with Local Aboriginal Land Councils in ten Aboriginal communities across New South Wales, to improve access and increase economic opportunities. Communities include:
  - Bellwood Reserve, Nambucca Shire
  - Bowraville Reserve, Nambucca Shire
  - Cabarita Reserve, Mid Coast
  - Gingie, Walgett Shire
  - Gulargambone Top, Coonamble Shire
  - La Perouse Mission, Randwick

#### Namoi Reserve, Walgett Shire

- Narwan Village, Armidale
   Dumaresq Shire
- Three Ways, Griffith
- Wallaga Lake Koori Village, Furobodalla Shire.

## ESTABLISH A REGIONAL YOUTH PORTFOLIO

- Establish a Minister for Regional Youth, who will give voice to young people in regional areas, including delivery of a Regional Youth Strategy, establishment of a Regional Youth Taskforce and an Office for Regional Youth.
- \$100 million allocated for round three of the Stronger Country Communities Fund for projects and programs in the regions, including \$50 million aimed at supporting young people.

#### WILD DOG EXCLUSION FENCE

• **\$37.5 million** over three years to extend the Wild Dog Exclusion Fence in western New South Wales to prevent wild dogs entering the state.

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### \$150 MILLION

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#### **OPEN SPACES AND GREENER SYDNEY**

- **\$150 million** over five years for the acquisition and embellishment of green and open spaces to improve the liveability of New South Wales communities as part of the Government's Strategic Open Spaces program.
- As part of this package, \$50 million will be used to turn existing Government-owned land into new and upgraded parks, including:
  - **\$10 million** for the Nepean River Parklands in Penrith
  - \$10 million for George Kendall Riverside Park at Ermington
  - \$9 million for walking tracks and bike trails in Frenchs Forest
  - \$6 million for a new running track or playground at Kempt Field in Hurstville
  - \$5 million for 60 hectares of new parklands and green space in Appin
  - **\$4 million** for new open space at Leppington
  - \$4 million to add nature trails to open space in Beaumont Hills
  - **\$2 million** for Carrawood Oval in Carramar.
- **\$100 million** to secure new parks to be developed across Sydney. This funding will be used to purchase open space in strategic locations to improve community access to green space, such as new open space in Newport for the residents of Pittwater.



TARONGA ZOO LEARNING HUB CLASSROOM

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# PLANNING, INDUSTRY AND ENVIRONMENT CLUSTER CONT.

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#### **DOPPLER RADARS**

\$24.4 million to deliver three new Doppler radars in western New South Wales. The new radar stations will provide real time rainfall data and wind observations to 34 local government areas in Western New South Wales, covering almost 30 per cent of the state by 2022.

#### PARTNERING WITH LANDCARE COMMUNITIES IN NEW SOUTH WALES

 \$22.4 million over four years to expand the Local Landcare Coordinator Initiative, which will see a continuation of an ongoing partnership between Local Land Services and Landcare NSW, supporting ongoing sustainability and oversight of Landcare NSW.

#### **NSW KOALA STRATEGY**

 Continue to deliver the \$45 million New South Wales Koala Strategy, including setting aside more than 24,000 hectares of new koala reserves.

# ESTABLISH AN INDEPENDENT AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER

\$2 million over four years to establish an independent Agriculture Commissioner, with legislated powers to protect the Right to Farm, allowing farmers to undertake lawful agricultural practices whilst reducing conflict with other land users.

## SUPPORTING DAIRY FARMERS

 \$3.5 million over four years to establish a Dairy Business Advisory Unit to continue industry support services and identify immediate and necessary actions for the sector.

## INVESTING IN THE FORESTRY INDUSTRY

\* \$40 million to support the forestry industry, including \$34 million as part of round two of the New South Wales Forest Industries Innovation Fund loan scheme and \$3.5 million to support training and certification.

## ESTABLISH THE SYDNEY QUANTUM ACADEMY

\$15.4 million over five years to create the Sydney Quantum Academy, putting New South Wales at the forefront of the quantum computing industry, in partnership with the State's leading universities.

## IMPROVING THE ACCESSIBILITY OF RECREATIONAL FISHING

 Improve the accessibility of recreational fishing in Batemans Bay and Batemans Marine Park by fast-tracking consultation on a range of issues and creating a new large recreational fishing platform.

## EMPOWERING HOMES PROGRAM

 A new program to support the rollout of solar panels and battery systems for up to 300,000 households across New South Wales, improving energy reliability and reducing the cost of living.

#### **RENEWABLE ENERGY BOOST**

\*30 million over four years to co-fund new on-demand clean energy projects with the private sector through the Emerging Energy Program, including \$10 million to pilot initiatives to recycle and re-use materials in solar panels and battery systems.

## ROLL-OUT OF SOLAR PANELS ON GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

 Accelerate the roll-out of solar panels on government buildings, such as schools and hospitals, with a target to reach 55,000 megawatt hours per year by 2024.

# FINANCIAL RELIEF ON POWER BILLS FOR INDEPENDENT RETIREES

 Introduce an annual \$200 energy rebate from 1 July 2019 for eligible independent retirees to meet cost of living pressures.

## ESTABLISH A MINISTER FOR PUBLIC SPACES

Establish a Minister for Public Spaces who will have responsibility for enhancing and expanding the State's parks, gardens and open spaces, ensuring that there is sufficient open space across New South Wales and that public spaces are welcoming and attractive.

## PRESERVING LAND AT WEST RYDE

 Preserve land at West Ryde that is not required for Sydney Water operations for community use.

## PURCHASE BLUES POINT RESERVE

 Purchase One Henry Lawson Ave, McMahons Point, to bring the whole Blues Point Reserve into public ownership.

## PROTECTING CROWN LAND FOR THE PUBLIC INTEREST

 Further strengthen legislation to ensure Crown Land reserved for recreational purposes cannot be sold, leased or change purpose without approval by the Minister, ensuring changes are in the public interest.

## UPGRADING SYDNEY MOTORSPORT PARK

• \$33.4 million to implement the New South Wales Motor Sport Strategy, including a Motor Sport Centre for Excellence, installation of permanent lighting at Sydney Motorsport Park and upgrades to the Sydney International Dragway.

## ADDITIONAL RECREATIONAL SPACES IN WESTERN SYDNEY PARKLANDS

 \$157 million over four years to undertake improvement works at Western Sydney Parklands, including works at Bungarribee Park, cycle and walking tracks, native tree planting, picnic and barbecue areas and additional car parking.

## INFRASTRUCTURE WORKS AT MOUNT PENANG PARKLANDS

 \$16 million to deliver a comprehensive package of essential infrastructure works at Mount Penang Parklands, including road and footpath upgrades and water and sewer provision.

## IMPROVING ACCESS TO NATIONAL PARKS

 \$149.5 million over four years to improve access to New South Wales national parks, through upgrading and extending walking trails, improving visitor infrastructure and facilities and introducing online and digital tools for virtual tours.



\$22.4

#### **MILLION**

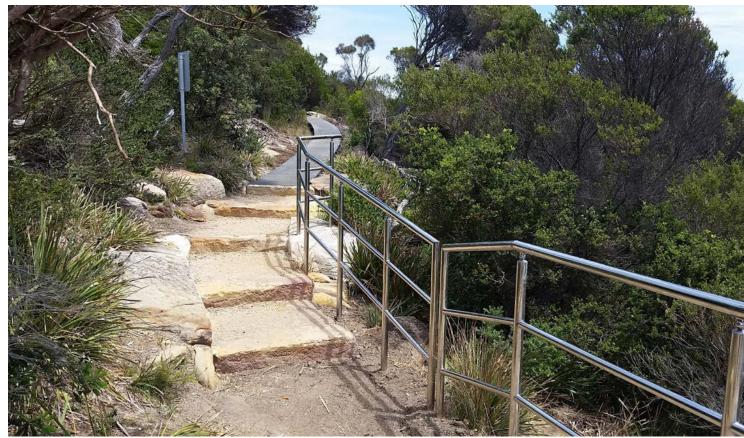
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WATTAMOLLA BEACH Photo credit: Department of Planning, Industry and Environment

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#### NEW SHARED TRAIL FOR JINDABYNE

 \$11.8 million to construct a Jindabyne shared cycling and walking trail.

#### CREATING A NEW NATIONAL PARK NEAR TUGALONG STATION

 Establish a new national park centred around Tugalong Station to ensure that the vital koala wilderness area is preserved.

#### REVIEW THE PORT STEPHENS-GREAT LAKES MARINE PARK

 Conduct an immediate review of the Port Stephens-Great Lakes Marine Park.

#### BOOST DROUGHT SUPPORT FUNDING

Innovation added to the Farm Innovation Fund, which provides concessional interest rate loans to primary producers to support farming communities affected by the drought, bringing the Fund to \$1 billion and the total investment in drought support to over \$1.8 billion. The Farm Innovation Fund will also be accessible to commercial fishers and aquaculture businesses.

## WATER SECURITY FOR NEW SOUTH WALES

 Develop plans for projects to improve water security in regional communities, including fast tracking regional water strategies, investigating a pipeline from Lostock Dam to Glennies Creek and
 \$32 million over three years to

- investigate the raising of the Wyangala Dam (as part of a \$650 million commitment) with environmental and economic studies to commence this year.
- Investigate potential mass water infrastructure projects that will drought-proof Eastern Australia in the spirit of the Bradfield Scheme, contingent on matched funding from the Commonwealth and other states.

#### GREAT ARTESIAN BASIN INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT (GABII) PROGRAM

 \$13 million over four years to rehabilitate high priority free flowing bores and drains in the Great Artesian Basin to enhance reliability of water supply to reduce the impact of drought.

# IMPROVEMENTS TO BELLINGEN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT

• **\$9.9 million** to the Bellingen Shire Council from the Growing Local Economies fund for the Bellingen Wastewater Treatment Plant to replace existing onsite sewage management systems with connections to the Council's sewerage network.

# INVESTING IN WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

- \$7.5 million from the Housing
   Acceleration Fund to the Central Coast
   Council for vital water and sewer
   infrastructure projects in the Central
   Coast
- \$3.5 million from the Safe and Secure Water Program to the Eurobodalla Shire Council for new water and sewage systems at Nelligen on the South Coast.

## REFRESH VAUCLUSE DIAMOND BAY

 Deliver the Refresh Vaucluse Diamond Bay project to redirect untreated wastewater away from three ocean outfalls at Vaucluse and Diamond Bay and transfer it to the Bondi Wastewater Treatment Plant.

# WATER QUALITY INVESTIGATIONS AT TERRIGAL BEACH AND TUGGERAH LAKES

• **\$700,000** to investigate water quality at Terrigal Beach and Tuggerah Lakes.

## PROTECTING SURFSIDE FROM COASTAL EROSION

 Commit \$5.3 million to fund engineering studies into options for managing coastal erosion on Batemans Bay including Wharf Road, Surfside and Long Beach, and build the best infrastructure solution arising from the engineering studies.

## SPECIAL ACTIVATION PRECINCTS

 \$20 million from Snowy Hydro Legacy Fund to investigate Special Activation Precincts in Parkes, Wagga Wagga and Williamtown and establish a Regional Growth Development Corporation.

## ADDITIONAL INVESTMENT FOR THE VALLA GROWTH AREA

 Invest \$3 million from the Growing Local Economies Fund toward the first stage of development of the new commercial and industrial precinct in the Valla Growth Area to be completed in 2020.



added to the Farm Innovation Fund



### \$8 MILLION

to establish Country Universities Centres across regional NSW

#### **EXPANDING COUNTRY UNIVERSITIES CENTRES**

- \$8 million over four years to establish at least another five Country Universities Centres across regional New South Wales. This investment will be used to:
  - open at least five new regional hubs, established in collaboration with local communities, taking the number of regional centres to 13 across the state
  - expand on existing and developing Centres in Cooma, Broken Hill, Goulburn, Moree/Narrabri, Grafton and Griffith/Leeton
  - provide students at Country University Centres access to specialised services and support currently unavailable via traditional distance education
  - build new university centres in regional locations where currently there are no tertiary facilities.