BUDGET ENSURES HEALTH OF SOUTHERN NSW

The 2019-20 NSW Budget delivers major investment in a wide range of areas for Southern NSW.

Key highlights from the 2019-20 Budget include:

- $88 million to continue construction of the Princes Highway Batemans Bay Bridge replacement;
- $71.3 million in 2019-20 (as part of a $431.4 million project) for the Wagga Wagga Base Hospital Redevelopment;
- $59 million to continue Barton Highway improvements (State and Federal funded);
- $47.8 million in 2019-20 (as part of a $150 million project) for the Goulburn Hospital Redevelopment;
- $42.2 million in 2019-20 (as part of a $68.7 million project) for the Bowral Hospital Redevelopment;
- $36 million in 2019-20 for the New South Wales Government’s contribution towards the new Cobb Highway bridge over the Murray River between Echuca and Moama;
- $32 million over three years to continue upgrades and improvements to the Snowies Iconic Great Walk, Murrarang South Coast Walk, Thredbo Valley Track and Light to Light Great Walk;
- $31 million to complete construction of the Ellerton Drive extension to provide a bypass of the Queanbeyan central business district (State, Federal and Local Government funded);
- $25 million for a new police station in Goulburn;
- $20 million in 2019-20 (as part of a $30 million project) for the Albury Base Hospital Emergency Department Expansion;
- $14.2 million in 2019-20 (as part of a $250 million project) for the Griffith Hospital Redevelopment;
- $13 million for a new police station in Bega;
- $13 million committed to build new police stations in the Jindabyne area. Projects will commence on 1 July 2020;
- $9.3 million in 2019-20 (as part of a $18.6 million project) for the Cooma Hospital Redevelopment;
- $9 million in 2019-20 committed to refurbish and upgrade the Queanbeyan Courthouse;
- $7 million allocated in 2019-20 to develop the Goulburn Aquatic Centre;
• **$3.5 million** in 2019-20 (as part of a $50.0 million project) for the Tumut Hospital Redevelopment;

• **$1.2 million** allocated in 2019-20 for the upgrade and refurbishment of Griffith Court.

**Quotes attributable to Deputy Premier and Member for Monaro John Barilaro:**
“The 2019-20 NSW Budget continues to invest in Regional NSW. With $14.2 million for the Griffith Hospital Redevelopment and $71.3 million for the Wagga Wagga Base Hospital Redevelopment we’re putting the health of the people in Regional NSW first.”

**Quotes attributable to Member for Goulburn Wendy Tuckerman:**
“This is a strong Budget for the Goulburn electorate, whether it be funding for a new police station or the Hospital Redevelopment, this demonstrates our commitment to investing in safer, stronger, and healthier communities.”

**Quotes attributable to Member for Albury Justin Clancy:**
“The Albury Base Hospital Emergency Department Expansion is a vital project for our community. It’s great to see improved health services coming on line.”

**Quotes attributable to Member for Bega Andrew Constance:**
“This budget sees a significant investment for a new police station in Bega. This investment will make Bega a stronger, safer community. This is a project that is long overdue in our area and can only be delivered because of the strong financial management of this government.”