



## **The Hon Andrew Broad MP**

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### **\$16.8 MILLION INFRASTRUCTURE BOOST TO GROW OUR REGIONS**

\$16.8 million in funding will help develop 11 key regional infrastructure projects across seven Local Government Areas in the Mallee and Farrer regions with an official invitation to submit full business cases under the Coalition Governments \$272.2 million Regional Growth Fund.

Assistant Minister to the Deputy Prime Minister and Federal Member for Mallee Andrew Broad said the Regional Growth Fund will unlock huge regional development opportunities for the Swan Hill Rural City Council and the Gannawarra, Buloke and Loddon Shires in the electorate of Mallee.

“This is a fantastic outcome for our region and if successful in the coming stages it will help to deliver eleven different projects across our region including the construction of the Swan Hill Foreshore Redevelopment, an upgrade to Kangaroo Lake, the replacement of weir boards in Charlton, the development of the Bridgewater foreshore, and upgrades to the Boort, Wedderburn and Pyramid Hill caravan parks,” Mr Broad said.

“I want to commend our local councils who have put in the hard work for this joint application; I’m very excited to see this progress to the next stage for our local communities.”

“This \$16.8 million dollar grant will support long-term economic growth in our patch, it will create jobs in our regional areas, it will drive tourism and it will continue to make regional Victoria a great place to live and work.”



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Assistant Minister for Regional Development and Territories and Federal Member for Farrer Sussan Ley said the crossing place foreshore at Deniliquin, Balranald's river bend, and another five sites through the Murray River Council area can all be revitalised under the project.

"The Murray, Edward and Murrumbidgee Rivers draw thousands of visitors annually - providing locals and tourists with a modern and welcoming amenity in key local towns is vital to the region's future economic growth," Ms Ley said.

"I want to congratulate each of my local councils for combining their resources on this funding bid and wish them every success as their application progresses."

Just 16 projects across Australia have been invited to proceed to the next stage of the application with funding only one step away.

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