

Media Release

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UPGRADES AT HOPETOUN AIRSTRIP

A much needed \$250,000 upgrade will take place at the Hopetoun Airstrip after the regional runway was successful under Round 5 of the Remote Airstrip Upgrade Program.

Federal Member for Mallee, Andrew Broad has warmly welcomed the upgrade and is looking forward to the start of the project,

“This upgrade will see the runway surface regulated and resurfaced, improving the airstrip’s safety and reliability. This is especially important as we see the air ambulance using the Hopetoun airstrip quite regularly during local emergencies.”

“It will also welcome more general aviation to the region, keeping our local region well-connected across the Wimmera Mallee,” Mr Broad said.

The Yarriambiack Shire Council is also contributing a further \$12,000 to the project.

The Hopetoun Airstrip is one of 31 projects allocated funding under Round 5 of the Remote Airstrip Program sharing in \$7 million of funding.

“Our regional airports are vital to keeping our small communities connected, upgrades such as these are a fantastic investment in the Wimmera Mallee region,” Mr Broad said.

For more information on the program visit

<https://infrastructure.gov.au/aviation/regional/raug.aspx>.

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