

8.7 Acceptance of NSW Grant Funding

REPORT BY THE MANAGER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
TO 13 DECEMBER 2023 ORDINARY MEETING
GOV400103, GRA300060

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. receive the report by the Manager Economic Development on the Acceptance of NSW Grant Funding;
2. if successful, accept the grant funding from the following grant funding bodies:

Grant Fund	Project	Grant Amount
NSW NLIS (Sheep and Goats) eID Infrastructure Saleyard Rebate Scheme	Mudgee Saleyards - Purchase and installation of sheep and goat electronic identification tagging equipment.	\$48,000
Crown Reserves Improvement Fund 2023-24	Cudgegong Waters Park amenities building (with camp kitchen) construction, and boom gate relocation	\$646,210

3. if successful, amend the 2023/24 and 2024/25 budgets as follows:
 - 3.1 2023/24 set an expenditure budget of \$48,000 to be funded by grants for the purchase and installation of sheep and goat eID tagging equipment;
 - 3.2 Combine the two existing projects listed below into one budget named Cudgegong Waters amenities, camp kitchen and boom gate relocation.
 - Cudgegong Waters - Public Toilets (Requires Grant) – project 75158
 - Cudgegong Waters Park Camp Kitchen (Requires Grant) – Project 75162;
 - 3.3 move the income and expenditure budgets for funding of the Cudgegong Waters amenities, camp kitchen and boom gate relocation from 2023/2024 to 2024/2025;
 - 3.4 increase the expenditure budget of the Cudgegong Waters amenities, camp kitchen and boom gate relocation in 2024/2025 by \$215,705 to be funded by grants;
 - 3.5 increase the grant funding budget of the Cudgegong Waters amenities, camp kitchen and boom gate relocation by \$30,505; and
 4. authorise the General Manager to finalise and sign the funding agreements.
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Executive summary

Council have applied to multiple funding bodies for projects identified in the Operational Plan that will support the overall goals of the Community Plan.

The funding bodies identified in this report include:

- NSW NLIS (Sheep and Goats) eID Infrastructure Saleyard Rebate Scheme
- Crown Reserves Improvement Fund 2023-24

It is recommended that if Mid-Western Regional Council is successful in any of the above applications, that Council accepts the grant funding, and authorises the General Manager to sign the funding agreements and amend Council's Budgets for 2023/24 and 2024/25.

Disclosure of Interest

Nil

Detailed report

NSW NLIS (Sheep and Goats) eID Infrastructure Saleyard Rebate Scheme – Saleyards

The NSW NLIS (Sheep and Goats) eID Infrastructure Saleyard Rebate Scheme provides funding to eligible industry participants for the costs associated with the purchase and installation of mandatory individual electronic identification (eID) tagging for sheep and farmed goats within NSW.

The following project was identified as relevant and meeting the criteria of the grant fund:

- Mudgee Saleyards - Purchase and installation of sheep and goat electronic identification tagging equipment.

Crown Reserves Improvement Fund 2023-24

The Crown Reserves Improvement Fund 2023-24 provides financial support for the maintenance, improvement or development of Crown reserves.

The following project was identified as relevant and meeting the criteria of the grant fund:

- Cudgegong Waters Park amenities building (with camp kitchen) construction, and boom gate relocation.

Community Plan implications

Theme	Looking After Our Community
Goal	Effective and efficient delivery of infrastructure
Strategy	Provide infrastructure and services to cater for the current and future needs of our community

Strategic implications

Council Strategies

The identified projects support a number of Council strategies as identified in the Community Plan including:

- Support networks, programs and facilities which promote health and wellbeing and encourage healthy lifestyles;
- Provide infrastructure and services to cater for the current and future needs of our community;
- Provide equitable access to a range of places and spaces for all in the community;
- Promote the region as a great place to live, work, invest and visit; and
- Provide leadership on economic development initiatives and identify resources and infrastructure required to drive investment and economic growth in the region.

Council Policies

Nil

Legislation

Nil

Financial implications

If successful:

NSW NLIS (Sheep and Goats) eID Infrastructure Planning & Design Grant

Saleyards - Purchase and installation of sheep and goat electronic identification tagging equipment.

In 2023/24 set an expenditure budget of \$48,000 to be funded by grants.

Crown Reserves Improvement Fund 2023-24

Cudgegong Waters Park amenities building (with camp kitchen) construction, and boom gate relocation.

- Combine the two existing projects listed below into one budget named Cudgegong Waters amenities, camp kitchen and boom gate relocation
 - Cudgegong Waters - Public Toilets (Requires Grant) – Project 75158
 - Cudgegong Waters Park Camp Kitchen (Requires Grant) – Project 75162;
- move the income and expenditure budgets for this funding from 2023/2024 to 2024/2025;
- increase the expenditure budget in 2024/2025 by \$215,705 to be funded by grants; and
- increase the grant funding budget by \$30,505.

Budget Year	Operating Performance Ratio	Own Source Revenue	Building & Infrastructure Renewal
2023/24	-	✘	✘
Future Years	-	✘	✓

Associated Risks

If the grant funding for the above-named projects is successful and not accepted by Council, the projects may not be able to proceed or may be delayed due to funding restraints. There is a project delivery risk for each project. These risks are managed through Council’s policies and procedures.

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27 November 2023

Attachments: Nil

APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION:

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GENERAL MANAGER