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\$17 MILLION AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC RESERVES ACROSS NSW

The NSW Government has announced \$17 million will be available for Crown reserve trusts through the 2018/19 round of the Public Reserves Management Fund (PRMF) program.

Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams is encouraging reserve trust managers to apply for funding when applications open on 5 February 2018.

“The PRMF program provides support for Trust managers throughout NSW to maintain, protect and improve our Crown reserves for the benefit of the entire community,” said Mr Williams.

“Crown reserves include local parks, community halls, regional showgrounds and holiday parks – all vital to the cultural, sporting, economic and recreational life of communities across NSW.”

“Funding is available to support a wide range of activities, including repairs and maintenance, pest and weed control, new recreational infrastructure, and environmental initiatives.

“Demand for funding is highly competitive. Last year 777 applications were received, so I strongly encourage all trust managers to check their eligibility and prepare their applications early.”

Minister for Lands Paul Toole said the NSW Government funded 440 projects under the last round of the program. “Last year \$2.5 million went towards improvements for 38 showgrounds, \$5.85 million was for 98 local parks and reserves projects, and programs to tackle feral pests and weeds received almost \$1.75 million.

“The NSW Government is supporting the growth of regional economies and helping communities preserve their natural environment, and protect our important public assets,” Mr Toole said. “We’re looking for projects across the state that will deliver a real benefit to local communities.”

Applications for the 2018/19 Public Reserves Management Fund Program will open Monday 5 February and close Friday 9 March 2018.

Information on how to apply will be available on the Department of Industry - Lands website at www.crownland.nsw.gov.au

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