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\$8 MILLION IN GRANTS FOR LOCAL SPORTS FIELDS

Local sporting fields and facilities across NSW will be upgraded with the first \$8 million round of the revamped Category 3 ClubGRANTS now open for expressions of interest (EOI).

Over the next four years local suburbs and towns will benefit from \$50 million in ClubGRANTS Category 3 funding including:

- \$32 million for sports and recreation infrastructure;
- \$10 million cultural infrastructure; and
- \$8 million for emergency services infrastructure.

Deputy Premier Troy Grant said the NSW Liberals & Nationals government is delivering on its election commitment to focus Category 3 ClubGRANTS on community sports and cultural facilities and disaster preparedness and relief projects.

"Local sport facilities are a key hub to any community and I know many of these facilities are in dire need of an upgrade," Mr Grant said.

"This new fund is designed to help those facilities with a particular focus on projects that can benefit disadvantaged, regional and remote communities."

Up to 16 projects will be supported in this round for sports and recreation infrastructure and grants will range from \$500,000 up to a maximum of \$1 million.

An application information pack, including new guidelines for applicants, is now available on the Office of Liquor, Gaming & Racing website (www.olgr.nsw.gov.au).

EOIs will close on 8 October 2015, after which approved applicants will be invited to lodge formal applications by 16 December 2015. Successful projects will be announced in early 2016 with the cultural and emergency services rounds to open in the coming months.

All applications will be assessed by the independent ClubGRANTS Fund Committee which is made-up of representatives from Sport NSW, Clubs NSW, OLGR, Arts NSW, the Office of Regional Development, the Office of Emergency Management.

For the first time the committee will also include rotating sport association representatives with rugby league, netball, soccer and cricket selected for this round.

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