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Fourteen water saving projects funded in New England

Independent Member for New England, Tony Windsor has welcomed the announcement by the Commonwealth Government of 14 water saving projects in the New England electorate worth \$725,000.

Mr Windsor said that the payments under the latest round of Community Water Grants are aimed at saving, re-using or improving the health of local water resources.

“At this time of drought and ever diminishing levels in our dams, all these projects will help to save water in our area.

“The projects will also be largely installed with community volunteer labour helping to promote the need to save water to the entire community.

“I am particularly pleased to see primary and high schools and sporting bodies taking up the challenge,” Mr Windsor said.

For more information on the Community Water Grants programme and the next funding round or a full list of projects funded in Round 2 visit: www.australia.gov.au/communitywatergrants.

The following projects in the electorate of New England have been successful in receiving grants in Round 2 of the Community Water Grants

Glen Innes Golf Club Ltd This project will recycle water at Glen Innes Golf Club. Greywater and blackwater from a nearby effluent plant will be piped to the club. The irrigation and piping system at the course will also be upgraded and a new pump will be installed. This project will save 8,000,000 litres of water per year **\$45,455 (excl GST)**

Gwydir Shire Council This project will recycle water within the Gwydir Shire by installing tanks to store harvested rainwater and stormwater for grounds maintenance and toilet flushing. Toilet facilities will be retrofitted with dual flush toilets to increase water savings. This project will save 592,800 litres of mains and bore water a year **\$10,273 (excl GST)**

Barraba Golf Club Ltd This project will save water at Barraba Golf Club by upgrading the existing irrigation system. Timers and moisture sensors will allow night watering. This project will save 2,000,000 litres of water per year **\$25,969 (excl GST)**

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Tamworth Anglican College This project will save water at Tamworth Anglican College by installing a water tank. Stormwater will be diverted to the tank and used for irrigation and toilet flushing. This will reduce levels of discharge entering the gully, reducing erosion. This project will save 1,275,000 litres of water per year. **\$44,636 (excl GST)**

Tamworth Regional Council This project will recycle settled backwash water from the Calala Water Treatment Plant. The water will be used to irrigate the Tamworth Regional Sporting Complex and the Australian Equine and Livestock Centre. The project will reduce the use of mains water by 60,000,000 litres per year. **\$227,273 (excl GST)**

KA Durant & R G Howie and V A Howie This project will recycle water at a Tamworth car wash. The water will be treated before reuse. Water tanks will be installed and the toilet facilities upgraded using water efficient urinals. This project will save 56,527 litres a year **\$24,468 (excl GST)**

Walcha Bowling and Recreation Club Ltd This project will save water at Walcha Bowling and Recreation Club through the installation of a synthetic green. The club will no longer use water from Apsley River to irrigate their greens. The project will save 56,320,000 litres of water per year. **\$45,452 (excl GST)**

Uralla Bowling and Recreation Club Ltd This project will save water at Uralla Bowling and Recreation Club by installing water tanks to recycle stormwater for irrigation. The project will save 1,000,000 litres of water a year **\$45,317 (excl GST)**

TAFE NSW New England Institute This project will save water at the New England TAFE Institute through the installation of water tanks. The harvested rainwater will be used for indoor and outdoor purposes. The existing toilet facilities will be upgraded with slow flow devices, dual flush toilets and waterless urinals. The irrigation system will also be upgraded to save water. The project will save 46,920 litres of water per year **\$28,861 (excl GST)**

Girraween Public School P & C Assoc This project will save water at Girraween Public School by upgrading the amenities block, installing dual flushing toilets and slow flow devices. This project will save 495,000 litres of water per year **\$44,594 (excl GST)**

Nundle Sport and Recreation Club Ltd This project will save water at Nundle Sport and Recreation Club by installing water tanks. The harvested water will be used to irrigate the grounds. The irrigation system will also be upgraded to save water. This project will save 1,200,000 litres of water per year **\$44,873 (excl GST)**

Tamworth Regional Council This project will recycle water from industrial sources at the Tamworth Regional Sporting Complex. The recycled water will be used to irrigate the complex. The irrigation system will also be upgraded to increase efficiency. This project will save 40,000,000 litres of water per year. **\$45,094 (excl GST)**

Walcha Central School This project will save at Walcha Central School by installing a tank to store rainwater which will be used to flush toilets. The toilet facilities will be upgraded with waterless urinals, dual flush toilets and flow control valves. This project will save 559,650 litres of water per year. **\$45,287 (excl GST)**

Pirates Rugby Club Inc Tamworth This project will save water at the Pirates Rugby Club by installing water tanks and upgrading the irrigation system. Stormwater will be collected and used for irrigation. This project will save 408,000 litres of water per year **\$48,178 (excl GST)**