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Another \$2.5m for UNE

\$5.5m in two days!!

The University of New England has again featured in funding announcements with another \$2.5m being announced today to enable it to upgrade student accommodation at Robb College over the next two years with the announcement being welcomed by Independent Member for New England, Tony Windsor saying he was sure that the students would appreciate and benefit from the upgrade.

The announcement made by the Hon Julie Bishop Minister for Education Science and Technology is being made available under the Capital Development Pool (CDP) allocations for 2008 and 2009 as part of the current round of CDP funding.

“Robb College has a strong history of offering excellent on-campus accommodation and experiences for its students and I’m sure current and future students will really appreciate and benefit from the proposed upgrade.

I am very pleased that this funding announcement follows so closely the agreement by the Minister to release the Australian Government’s \$3m in funds for the UNE Medical School bringing the total funding announced to \$5.5m in the last two days.

Congratulations to the UNE for their continuing commitment to making the learning experience to be had at UNE right up there with the best universities in Australia and thank you to the Government for recognising the value of supporting the University of New England in this way,” Mr Windsor said.