

3. Federal Government Regional and Local Community program funding application

This report lists projects to be submitted to the 2008/09 funding program.

Group Manager, Infrastructure

BACKGROUND

Council has been advised that \$1,043,000 in funding is available under this Federal Government program.

Following a process of community consultation and two reports/workshops, held on 9 December 2008 and 23 December 2008, Council has resolved that 29 projects be submitted for funding and that an additional six projects be listed for consideration in any subsequent rounds of funding.

Those projects are:

- Bermagui safety fencing around children's playground (Apex Park) \$20,000
- Merimbula footpath and fence \$280,000
- Beauty Point Jetty - additional rock work \$8,500
- Bega netball courts seating \$2,000
- Bega/Angledale cricket shed \$9,500
- Bemboka pathway project \$10,000
- Bermagui pre school solar project \$6,000
- Berrambool AFL Sportsground upgrade \$35,000
- Bermagui Blue Pool viewing platform \$10,000
- Candelo pool path and river walk projects \$56,000
- Eden/Chandos St island landscape adjacent to toilet refurbishment \$56,000
- Cobargo - footpath to preschool \$30,000
- Cobargo - walkway to bridge handrail \$5,000
- Pambula cycle/pedestrian pathway - Narregol to Dingo \$60,000
- Merimbula Fish Pen park rock wall \$80,000
- Eden George Brown Sportsground second stage \$85,000
- Eden Imlay Street trip hazards (footpaths) \$50,000
- Kalaru bus shelter footpath \$7,500
- Bega Kisses Lagoon path \$10,000
- Nethercote reserve \$12,000
- Pambula playground behind Post Office Pambula \$30,000

- Quaama Park fence and shelter power \$9,500
- Merimbula safety barriers on road leading to Merimbula Wharf \$20,000
- Tathra upgrade and augment - Lawrence Park seating \$6,000
- Tathra upgrade - Tathra walking track headland to Kianniny \$10,000
- Wyndham sportsground and pony club \$12,000
- Bega sk8 park \$40,000
- Cobargo playground fence - Apex Park \$16,600
- Tathra landscape foreshore area around Taylor Square \$35,000

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With a total recommended expenditure of \$1,011,600, and subject to additional project management of \$100,000, any shortfall will be met from existing Section 94 contributions.

The following projects that have not been funded in this round will be given priority consideration for subsequent rounds of this program:

- Ben Boyd heritage walk
- Aslings Beach walkway
- Bega Town Centre to River bike path
- Dickinson Park sportsground
- Dilkeria Road – Andy Poole Drive steps
- Gipps Street Youth Centre.

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Staff have commenced work on completing the application submissions for each of the projects which need to be lodged with the Department of Transport and Regional Services. Applications need to demonstrate compliance with the funding guidelines and must be with DoTaRs by the 30 /1/09.

The guidelines are:

- The projects require immediate attention; and
- Which as part of their implementation will increase local employment
- Projects must be completed by 30 September 2009
- Project are not in Councils current year capital works program.

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ISSUES

Consultation

There has been considerable media, direct contact and indirect contact with a wide variety of community organisations across the Shire. Staff continue to consult with community groups and representatives on the nominated project eg meeting with MACA 14/1/09 to finalise details of the Merimbula footpath and fence project, to firm up the details, estimates and capability of proponents to complete the projects.

Financial

70 The funds will be directed to the key projects adopted through this report and to project management to achieve those projects within the allocated timeframe.

Resources (including staff)

As previously reported this program will mobilise a considerable volunteer commitment on a number of projects. This will require management through Council's volunteer management process. The overall project will also require specific project management for which expressions of interest have been sought.

Operational Plan

The funding proposed is in addition to those currently identified in the adopted operational plan.

80 CONCLUSION

These projects are considered to comply with guidelines and achievable within the timeframe. Their successful implementation will make a significant contribution to the local town and village sporting and public use assets.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the following projects be submitted to the 2008/09 Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program.
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