

## **Clarence Way between Woodenbong and Urbenville to be rebuilt**

The Clarence Way between Woodenbong and Urbenville will be rebuilt as part of a \$5million project jointly funded by Kyogle Council and the Federal Government.

Council will receive \$2 million through the Federal Government's Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program to upgrade the 9.75km section of the Clarence Way. Council will put up the remaining \$3 million.

Kyogle Council Mayor Cr Danielle Mulholland described the funding announcement as great news for Clarence Way communities and thanked Member for Page Kevin Hogan for putting his support behind the project.

"Council has been lobbying very hard for funding for the Clarence Way and we are pleased to receive this money to address part of the road's problems from Urbenville to Woodenbong," Cr Mulholland said.

"We will continue to lobby for funding to upgrade the Clarence Way from the Bruxner Highway to Urbenville and are hopeful a \$33 million grant application we have submitted to State Government will be successful.

"Meanwhile, this \$5 million investment in the Clarence Way will improve connectivity and activate tourism in the communities on this route.

"I'd like to recognise Kevin Hogan for his representations for us in this matter and thank the Federal Government for recognising how much we need this funding."

The funds for the Clarence Way were part of a suite of Federal Government grants for Kyogle Council valued at \$4.55 million announced by Mr Hogan on Tuesday 29 September.

Other grants announced under the Bridge Renewal Program were:

- \$1,148,083 under the Bridge Renewal Program to replace three bridges on Capeen Creek Road - Council will match the grant dollar for dollar
- \$387,745 under the Bridge Renewal Program to replace the Collins Valley Road bridge at Lynches Creek - Council will match the grant dollar for dollar

Council will also receive just over \$1 million under the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program which will include:

- \$280,000 to upgrade Bonalbo BMX track to an asphalt pump track and replace and upgrade sports ground lighting.

- \$181,156 to refurbish existing amenities, pathway at rear of pool and upgrade BMX track to an asphalt pump track in Woodenbong.
- \$170,000 for new disabled amenities building, construction of an asphalt pump track with landscaping and tree planting in Tabulam.
- \$160,000 for improvements to multi-purpose area, resurfacing of one of the tennis courts and carparking on the Recreation Reserve at Old Bonalbo.
- \$130,000 to upgrade sports oval lighting at Mallanganee
- \$78,000 for Anzac Park for an additional barbecue at skate park shelter, additional lighting for park facilities and shade sail over existing playground, Kyogle.
- \$25,000 to the Kyogle and District Historical Museum to construct an additional storage area for museum and Historical Society collections at existing Museum building site.

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