



**The Hon. Paul Toole MP**  
Deputy Premier  
Minister for Regional New South Wales  
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Dear Clr Doolan,

### **Resources for Regions – Round Nine**

I am pleased to confirm the NSW Government's commitment to a new \$140 million Round Nine of the Resources for Regions program as part of the \$3.3 billion Regional Growth Fund.

The Resources for Regions program was introduced by the NSW Government in 2012 to assist mining communities. To date, the Resources for Regions program has invested \$420 million in 242 projects in mining communities. This investment recognises the enormous contribution mining makes to the NSW economy.

Round Nine of the program will provide a total of \$140 million for community programs and infrastructure projects, including an expanded level of support for communities where gas exploration may occur.

A dedicated envelope of \$1,555,555 is available to the Warrumbungle Local Government Area. This is the total amount of funding allocated based on the prevalence of tenements.

Only Council will be allocated funding under the program, acknowledging its understanding of the needs of the Warrumbungle community and having planned for them in your Community Strategic Plan. However, Council may give their Joint Organisation of Councils authority to apply on its behalf. Council should work with community groups to identify priority projects and may submit applications on behalf of these organisations.

### **Round Nine of Resources for Regions will open on 12 August 2022**

Round Nine will be open for applications for 7 weeks from 12 August 2022. Applications will close on at 5pm on 30 September 2022.

### **How to apply**

Please visit <https://r4r.smartygrants.com.au/R4R9> to make an application to Round Nine of the Resources for Regions Program.

### **Assistance to prepare applications**

Program information on Round Nine including details on the application process, Program Guidelines and other resources will be available to assist applicants on the Resources for Regions website: [www.nsw.gov.au/resourcesforregions](http://www.nsw.gov.au/resourcesforregions).

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Council is encouraged to work with the Department of Regional NSW to put forward eligible projects and/or programs that align with the program's objectives to support the ongoing and long-term prosperity of mining communities in regional NSW.

Your local Business Development Manager is Angela Shephard who can be contacted on [angela.shephard@regional.nsw.gov.au](mailto:angela.shephard@regional.nsw.gov.au) or 0429 833 131 to provide information on the program and to assist you to develop applications.

I welcome our ongoing collaboration on delivering positive outcomes for your community and I look forward to seeing your community's Round Nine projects come to life.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul Toole". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'P'.

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