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Background:

The Member for Wagga Wagga has made representations to the Minister on behalf of the Australian Clay Target Association (ACTA) regarding funding for the International standard shooting facility in Wagga Wagga.

ACTA has advised that it has completed stages 1 and 2 of its plan to develop the facilities to an International standard capable of conducting competitions in all disciplines of events conducted at the Olympic and Commonwealth Games.

ACTA is seeking funding for its stage 3 development which has been estimated to cost around \$6.1m. The ACTA has advised it has committed \$1.2m of funds towards stage 3 of the project. Stage 3 works include, Olympic Discipline Traps, International standard stands and covers, a clubhouse which will be the National administrative headquarters, roads and drainage works.

The facility, if developed further would be suitable for the holding of World Championship events.

ACTA had previously sought funding from Sport and Recreation towards the facility. In 2012, Sport and Recreation provided a list of its funding priorities to NSW Treasury for 2013/14 which included the ACTA's proposal to construct a facility in Wagga Wagga. However, the proposal was not part of the Treasurer's announcement and funds were not made available to assist with the project. The then Minister for Sport and Recreation, Graham Annesley MP, forwarded a letter to the Member for Wagga Wagga on 3 July 2013 to provide this advice (Ref: 1276/13 TAB A).

The project has not been included in the 2016/17 New Policy Proposals being put forward to Treasury.

Wagga Wagga Council is participating in the Future Needs of Sport Infrastructure Study however, the above project has not been identified as one of their priorities.