

The Hon. John Barilaro MP

Deputy Premier
Minister for Regional New South Wales,
Minister for Skills and Minister for Small Business

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The Hon. Dominic Perrottet MP Treasurer GPO Box 5341 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Treasurer

I am writing to advise you that I will be submitting the Recital Hall component of Stage 2 of the Riverina Conservatorium of Music (RCM) project for a funding reservation of up to \$20.5 million through the recently announced \$80 million Regional Communities Development Fund.

The government has previously approved up to \$10 million to fund site master planning and the Stage 1 capital works that will be undertaken by Property NSW working in partnership with RCM.

This new reservation is subject to finalisation of the scope of works for the Recital Hall which will occur as part of the master planning already underway and approval of a funding allocation from the Regional Communities Development Fund by ERC.

Riverina Conservatorium of Music project background

- The government has previously approved up to \$10 million to fund site master planning and the Stage 1 capital works which will be undertaken by Property NSW working in partnership with RCM.
- Stage 1 scope includes:
 - Development of a master plan and cost estimate for the entire site (stages 1 and 2)
 - Refurbishment of the current main building to enable teaching and administration for the RCM. Highlights include multiple teaching spaces, rehearsal rooms, study room, office space and video teaching facilities.
- Subject to the development approval process, Stage 1 is expected to be completed by the end of 2019.
- Stage 2 scope is to be finalised during the master planning process.
- The focus of Stage 2 is the construction of a Recital Hall, the indicative cost of which is up to \$20.5 million to provide state of the art performance space with capacity for up to 300 patrons.
- The government's current commitment to RCM includes recurring grant funding to cover the annual cost of occupying and maintaining the new conservatorium (for Stage 1).

I kindly request you note this reservation being made from the Regional Communities Development Fund, subject to the conditions outlined above including final funding approval by ERC, by signing in the space below.

The Government has made a number of reservations against the Regional Communities Development Fund, which is currently open and receiving applications. These reservations are subject to finalisation and review of business case studies in most instances and approval by ERC for any funding allocations from the Regional Communities Development Fund. I've attached a list of these projects for your information.

Should your office have any questions regarding this project please contact Gary Barnes, Deputy Secretary – Regional NSW at gary.barnes@dpc.nsw.gov.au or 0438 741 463.



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Attachment A

Project	LGA	Electorate	Allocation
			\$10,000,000
			\$26,000,000
			\$7,000,000
			\$15,000,000
			\$6,480,000
			\$2,500,000
			\$1,800,000
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			\$530,000
			\$7,500,000

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