



David Littleproud MP

Federal Member for Maranoa

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Capitalising on Maranoa's potential: MP David Littleproud

I'm proud to have secured \$4.7 billion in Federal funding over the last 3 years for Maranoa which has simply been about us getting our fair share.

In South West Queensland I've fought to get its fair share for things such as:

- \$6.2 million to develop Cunnamulla's Artesian Hot Springs and Warrego River Walk, upgrade Cunnamulla Aboriginal Corporation's Chronic Disease and Wellbeing Centre and design the Queensland Sheep Production Program.
- \$8.1 million for pests, weeds and wild dog control in Maranoa.
- \$309,000 to turn Cunnamulla's railway station into a theatre.
- \$4.18 million for construction of the Morven Freight Hub.
- Built 35 mobile phone base stations across Maranoa; including Warrego Highway, Landsborough Highway, Eulo, Bulloo Developmental Road, Nardoo and Mirrabooka.
- Will deliver by year's end, NBN connectivity across Maranoa.
- \$2.5 million for a hub to train 100 students a year in rural health at Charleville Hospital which will create 6 full-time jobs.

Across Maranoa, as a government, we've increased funding to education by 50% per student and health by 84%.

Families, farmers and business owners are put under immense mental strain because of drought and I will continue to advocate for efficient and accessible mental health care - on top of the \$174 million rollout of local mental health programs.

We now have Medicare funded telehealth appointments and programs for people who want to join in and learn how to manage their mental health online.

I'm also proud that I secured nearly \$7 billion for drought and flood relief for farmers and rural communities that support them and brought in new laws to protect farmers from animal activists.

I am proud to say that I am the product of Maranoa - where I've been able to build a career, start a business, travel the world, raise a family and represent its residents as the local Member.

My responsibility as the Member is to make sure more of our next generation have the same opportunity to do that here in Maranoa.

That's why I'm committed to making sure we get our fair share in Canberra.

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