



**David Littleproud MP**  
Federal Member for Maranoa

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Federal Budget commits \$126.5 million for Emu Swamp Dam for Granite Belt water security**

Maranoa MP David Littleproud said the Coalition Federal Government was absolutely committed to seeing the Emu Swamp Dam completed with last night's Budget including an additional \$126.5 million for water security in the Granite Belt.

"In the 2022-23 Budget, we've committed an additional \$126.5 million - through the National Water Grid Fund - for the construction of the Emu Swamp Dam and Pipeline, taking the total Federal Coalition Government commitment to \$168.5 million," Mr Littleproud said.

"This project will give Granite Belt producers the water security they need, with local farmers having chipped in more than \$23.4 million.

"The Emu Swamp Dam will create hundreds of full-time jobs, inject tens of millions of dollars into the local economy and give a secure water source to our producers, who help feed our great nation and export around the world."

Known as the Granite Belt Irrigation Project, it includes a 12,000 megalitre dam at Emu Swamp, south-west of Stanthorpe and 126 kilometres of pipeline.

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