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MAJOR FUNDING BOOST FOR LOCAL COMMUNITIES ACROSS MARANOA

More road and community infrastructure projects will be rolled out across Maranoa, thanks to a further \$500 million in funding for the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program.

The Coalition Government is continuing to deliver for local communities through the 2022-23 Budget.

Federal Member for Maranoa David Littleproud said local councils would directly benefit from the funding boost.

“This funding injection for our hard-working local councils means even more funding for upgrades to local roads, bike paths, community halls, playgrounds, parks and sports facilities, as well as improved accessibility to public facilities,” Mr Littleproud said.

“Providing more time for planning and construction will enable local governments to consider a broader range of priority projects and potentially undertake larger, more complex developments to deliver even greater benefits for their communities.”

Councils in Maranoa will receive the following payment through the Phase 3 extension of the LRCI Program:

-) Balonne Shire Council: \$1,141,450
-) Barcaldine Regional Council: \$1,291,666
-) Barcoo Shire Council: \$710,542
-) Blackall-Tambo Regional Council: \$808,346
-) Bulloo Shire Council: \$848,921
-) Diamantina Shire Council: \$453,393
-) Goondiwindi Regional Council: \$1,139,053
-) Longreach Regional Council: \$1,196,175
-) Maranoa Regional Council: \$2,576,007
-) Murweh Shire Council: \$1,216,089
-) Paroo Shire Council: \$973,400
-) Quilpie Shire Council: \$891,657
-) South Burnett Regional Council: \$1,644,465
-) Southern Downs Regional Council: \$1,577,341
-) Toowoomba Regional Council: \$4,092,300
-) Western Downs Regional Council: \$3,465,660
-) Winton Shire Council: \$1,066,785

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development Barnaby Joyce said the quick delivery of projects under the LRCI Program will stimulate local economies.

“This highly successful program has supported an estimated 9,000 jobs and nearly 7,900 individual projects,” the Deputy Prime Minister said.

“Our additional funding brings the total Commonwealth Government commitment to the Local Roads and Community Program to \$3 billion.

“Delivering more local road and community infrastructure projects will make and towns and communities stronger and wealthier, and that is why we continue to invest in this vital initiative.”

This program asks local councils to use local businesses and workforces to deliver their projects where possible.

Councils will be able to access funding through the LRCI Phase 3 extension from July 2023.

For more information on the LRCI Program, visit <https://investment.infrastructure.gov.au/about/local-initiatives/local-roads-and-community-infrastructure/>

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