



# Media Release

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## **FUNDING ANNOUNCED FOR TENTERFIELD ENVIRONMENT PROJECTS**

Mayor Peter Petty was delighted with the announcement yesterday of Federal Government funding for 2 environmental projects in Tenterfield.

"Our Local Member, The Hon Barnaby Joyce MP has one again supported our community by providing \$35,000 combined funding under the Government's Communities Environment Program and we thank him sincerely for that," the Mayor said.

The recipients of the grant funding are:

- \$20,000 – Granite Borders Landcare Committee – for fauna nesting boxes in fire affected areas around Tenterfield; and
- \$15,000 – Ozfish Unlimited Limited – for protection of the Purple Spotted Gudgeon in Tenterfield Creek.

Granite Borders Landcare Committee's project will involve the construction of nesting boxes which will then be located on public and private lands. Once the nesting boxes are established a monitoring program focused on bats, possums and birds will be set up.

Ozfish Unlimited Limited will partner with Council and Moombahlene Local Aboriginal Land Council to improve the health of Tenterfield Creek at Jubilee Park. The project will involve a 300 metre section of the Creek and surrounding park land which will be improved through bank stabilisation, revegetation, weed control and prevention of excess sedimentation.

This project will benefit threatened species including native fish, platypus and the Purple Spotted Gudgeon and as a high community use area, will also be used as an educational tool, will re-engage the local indigenous community on country and provide greater tourism opportunities.

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