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### **Working with councils to build better road freight networks**

Interest in the latest round of the Fixing Country Roads program is sky-high as Transport for NSW staff made their way around the regions, assisting councils with their applications, Member for Albury, Greg Aplin said today.

The NSW Government is making \$100 million in funding available in Round Three of Fixing Country Roads to boost the efficiency of freight transport from paddock to port.

“This shows our commitment to regional NSW and it is great to see an enthusiastic response to the program,” Mr Aplin said

“Already Transport for NSW’s Freight Industry Branch have conducted workshops in Grafton, Tamworth, Maitland, Wagga Wagga Orange, Goulburn, Dubbo and Jerilderie and more than 70 per cent of invited councils attended,” Mr Aplin noted.

Councils were at the workshops to discuss the best way to articulate the economic benefits of their road projects, an essential part of qualifying for funding in the application process.

“Councils have praised the workshops as useful and practical, ensuring that good projects do not miss out on Federal and State government funding.

“Transport for NSW has provided vital expertise and guidance to help Councils manage their submission process,” Mr Aplin said.

Applications for Fixing Country Roads Round 3 close on 1 September 2017. Further information is available at <https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/programs/fixing-country-roads>

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