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APPLY NOW FOR A RECREATIONAL FISHING TRUST GRANT

Do you have a great idea for improving local fishing? Then now is the time to apply for a grant from the NSW Recreational Fishing Trust.

Member for Albury, Greg Aplin today encouraged fishing and community groups to apply for grants to improve recreational fishing in our region.

“The grants are open to anyone, including fishing clubs and organisations, universities, councils, community groups, and individuals,” Mr Aplin said.

“This funding has the potential to make a real difference to our community, by supporting our local fishers and the businesses that rely on this fun, outdoor pastime.

“Grants are available for both large and small projects and I encourage all fishing and community groups to think about how this funding could be re-invested back into the sport they love.”

Mr Aplin said funding is provided for projects such as recreational fishing education, fishing access and facilities, improving fish habitat, fisheries research and much more.

“In past years, we’ve seen some wonderful projects get off the ground thanks to this funding, including fishing platforms, fish cleaning facilities, fish stocking, fish aggregating devices, fishing workshops, the Fishcare Volunteer program and fish habitat rehabilitation,” Mr Aplin said.

“Around \$15 million is raised from the sale of recreational fishing licences each year, which is then re-invested back into projects that benefit recreational fishing.

“This grants program demonstrates the NSW Government’s ongoing support for the recreational fishing industry which adds about \$3.4 billion to the State’s economy each year, and creates more than 14,000 full-time jobs.”

Applications close on 30 November 2018 and joint applications are encouraged.

More information is available [online](#).

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