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DROUGHT GRANTS FOR FREIGHT ON LOCAL ROADS

Councils are being encouraged to apply for a share of \$15 million the NSW Government is investing to support the increased movement of drought relief.

Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight, Melinda Pavey said eligible councils can apply for up to \$300,000 to help with road maintenance and improvements to accommodate increased freight movements.

“Farmers impacted by the drought are relying on the vital transport of stock, feed and water across the state, which has increased the impact on the road network,” Mrs Pavey said.

“Funding will be targeted to support improved productivity for road freight while maintaining or improving safety for road users.”

KEY POINTS

- Grants of up to \$300,000 towards costs of maintenance and improvements on council roads
- For example shoulder repairs, road surface repairs and signage
- Recently completed projects which improve freight access for drought relief can be considered
- Improvements will be made to strategic freight links and roads that provide relief to other parts of the local network.

Further information about the program is available at rms.nsw.gov.au/droughtaccessprogram, or by emailing roadfreight@rms.nsw.gov.au or by calling your local Roads and Maritime regional office.

The NSW Government has delivered programs worth more than \$1 billion to support farmers through worsening drought.

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