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ALLIANCE WELCOMES FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT

The Western Councils Water Alliance has welcomed the announcement of NSW Government funding to support a series of projects aimed at strengthening water and sewer services across regional NSW.

The government has committed \$450,000 towards pilot programs that will trial new ways for councils to work together to improve long-term water service reliability, drought resilience, and infrastructure planning.

The Western Councils Water Alliance is a partnership of 13 councils across Central West NSW, encompassing both the Orana and Far West Regions. The Alliance is committed to collaborating across member councils to pool resources, reduce duplication and form common platforms in developing initiatives in the approach to the sustainable delivery of water supply and sewerage services.

Host Council, General Manager, Brad Cam said the Alliance was pleased to receive confirmation of funding and looked forward to working closely with participating councils and the NSW Government as the initiative progresses.

“This is a positive step towards strengthening collaboration between regional councils on some of the biggest challenges facing local water utilities,” Mr Cam said.

“At this stage the project is still in its preliminary phases, having only been advised of the funding last week, and we are currently working through the final allocation of funding to individual projects and priorities.”

Mr Cam said collaboration was particularly important for regional councils managing increasing infrastructure demands, workforce shortages and long-term drought resilience planning.

“Regional councils understand the unique challenges facing their communities, and this pilot allows local water utilities to explore solutions that are tailored to regional needs rather than a one-size-fits-all approach.”

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