



## WHAT'S IN THE BUDGET FOR TUGGERANONG?

Tuggeranong residents will get a multi-million dollar slice of the 2000-2001 budget, with major projects announced for road, cyclepath and other significant improvements to their region.

ACT Urban Service Minister Brendan Smyth has confirmed a number of significant projects are programmed for Tuggeranong, including a few surprise items, which will improve the quality of life of those who live and work in the Tuggeranong region.

One of the big drawcards is the inclusion of \$3.5 million funding for the duplication of Drakeford Drive between Taverner Street and Erindale Drive, with \$300,000 during 2000-2001 for forward design, and \$3.2 million for construction to begin in 2001-2002.

The second stage of duplication of Drakeford Drive from Erindale Drive to Isabella Drive, to cost \$4.5 million, will be included for 2002-2003. This will include construction of a bridge across Isabella Pond.

Residents of Gordon will also be pleased that extension of Jim Pike Avenue, completing the final section and associated landscaping and cyclepaths, will be included, at a cost of \$1.43 million.

Other works put forward in the Capital Works Program for the Tuggeranong region over the next two years include:

- Restoration of the road surface on the Southbound Carriageway of the Monaro highway between Lanyon Drive and Isabella Drive (\$3.6million)
- Completion of the 400 metre "missing link" of the Lake Tuggeranong bike path , parallel to Mortimer Lewis Drive (\$100,000)
- Replacement of the old timber deck of the historic Tharwa bridge over the Murrumbidgee River(\$500,000)



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- A new pedestrian crossing at the inlet of Point Hut Pond, with associated stormwater and floodway infrastructure (\$810,000)
- Forward design for the resurfacing of Athllon Drive, between Drakeford Drive and Anketell Street (\$95,000)
- Landscape enhancement, signage and improved recreation facilities for the Lake Tuggeranong East (\$450,000)
- Forward design for a trunk sewer system to service the western side of the Tuggeranong Town Centre (\$60,000)
- Inclusion of Kambah Village in the Precinct Refurbishment Program, as one of four suburban centres to receive an upgrade (\$255,000 for the four centres )

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