



# The Hon Katrina Hodgkinson MP

## Minister for Primary Industries

## Minister for Small Business

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#### **\$1.5 MILLION TO BOOST SAPPHIRE COAST TOURIST PARKS**

Minister for Primary Industries, Katrina Hodgkinson and Member for Bega, Andrew Constance, today announced major improvements to two tourist parks located on Crown reserves on the NSW Sapphire Coast.

A total of \$1.52 million is being invested at the Eden and Bermagui Zane Grey Tourist Parks on the NSW South Coast.

“This funding is part of the NSW Government’s commitment to improve the commercial performance of tourist parks located on Crown reserves for the benefit of visitors and the local economy,” Ms Hodgkinson said.

“These works will improve customer service and offer higher quality accommodation facilities for park visitors.

“Both Eden and Bermagui Zane Grey Tourist Parks will soon have six new accommodation units, while a number of caravan sites at each park will be fitted with ensuites to enhance the quality of the facilities offered to guests.

“These new accommodation units are expected to be completed by the end of the year, just in time for the peak tourist period over Christmas and New Year.”

Other works that will be undertaken include:

- Bermagui Zane Grey Tourist Park – improvement to the reception facilities and an upgrade to the fire protection system to enhance the safety of visitors.
- Eden Tourist Park - a new office reception area, the conversion of an office into a community room with internet access for use by visitors, upgrading of the BBQ area with a semi-enclosed area and a new boat and car wash down space.

Andrew Constance said the improvements were a major boost to the region’s tourism industry and will greatly improve the variety of accommodation options for visitors to the area.

“These projects recognise the importance of ensuring that the Sapphire Coast has high quality visitor facilities to support tourism in our region,” Mr Constance said.

“I am pleased to see that a five year plan for both tourist parks has been developed which will entice more locals and visitors to a much-loved part of my electorate.”

Both tourist parks are now under the management of the South Coast Crown Reserves Holiday Accommodation Trust.

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