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APPLICATIONS FOR PUBLIC RESERVE FUNDING CLOSE 10 APRIL

Managers of crown reserves are reminded to apply for a share in \$15 million in NSW Government funding, with applications closing on 10 April 2015 to improve the State's public reserves.

Deputy General Manager, Department of Primary Industries, Crown Lands, Craig Barnes said there is only one round of funding as part of this year's Public Reserves Management Fund (PRMF) Program.

"Managers of any NSW Crown reserve, freehold showground, commons or school of the arts are encouraged to apply before the closing date as there will be no further rounds of funding this year," Mr Barnes said.

"Funding is available for general projects on all showgrounds, schools of arts, caravan parks, state parks, commons, local parks and reserves, as well as for pest and weed projects on Crown reserves.

"Grants and loans are available for small and large projects, with applicants seeking larger amounts over \$500,000 encouraged to apply.

"More than \$150 million has been allocated by the NSW Government over the past 10 years through the Public Reserve Management Fund Program.

"This funding acknowledges the important role that public reserves have in local communities by providing social and sporting activities as well as supporting regional business and tourism."

Information on how to apply this year is available on the Crown Lands website at www.crownland.nsw.gov.au and applications are also to be submitted online.

Reserve managers requiring assistance can contact the PRMFP team by calling 1300 886 235 (option 7) or emailing cl.prmfp@crownland.nsw.gov.au.

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