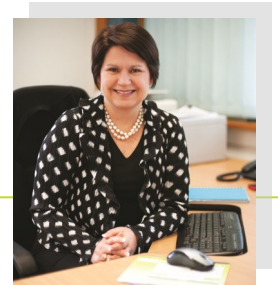




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Developing the long term  
sustainability of our region

## Newsflash From the CEO



This is a reminder notice that the Regional Development Australia Townsville and North West Queensland Committee (RDA) will be conducting an information session for the new National Stronger Regions Fund (NSRF) in **Mount Isa this Wednesday 22 October 2014 at 3:30pm.**

Prospective applicants for the first two funding rounds are encouraged to attend the information session, which will cover eligibility, eligible projects, criteria, and tips on how to be successful. Applications for Round 1 of NSRF can be submitted up until 5pm local time 28 November 2014. Round 2 closes on 31 July 2015.

RDA CEO Glenys Schuntner said, "This is a very important funding opportunity. Even though it will be competitive nationally, it's a great opportunity for progressing projects to drive job growth in the region".

The Fund will invest \$1 billion over five years and support investment in the priority economic and infrastructure areas – from freight and transport projects to convention centres and major multi-purpose sports facilities. These investments will also have a major focus on strengthening economies in Australia's regions by improving the productivity, employment, and workforce skills of Australians.

Grant funding of between \$20,000 and \$10 million (GST exclusive) will be provided for infrastructure projects that provide economic benefit and have an identifiable and sustainable impact on a region. Projects must be capital in nature and could involve the construction of new infrastructure or the upgrade, extension, or enhancement of existing infrastructure.

The NSRF Guidelines provide information about the types of project proposals being sought, how proposals will be assessed, how decisions will be made and conditions of funding. These are available on the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development's website at [www.infrastructure.gov.au/nsrf](http://www.infrastructure.gov.au/nsrf). Other information about grants can also be found on the RDA website under the Resources and Links tab at [www.rdanwq.org.au](http://www.rdanwq.org.au).

To register for the Mount Isa information session, contact Trudi on 4410 3655 or email to [info@rdanwq.org.au](mailto:info@rdanwq.org.au).

We look forward to meeting you or your delegate at this workshop!

### Glenys Schuntner

Chief Executive Officer

#### RDA Committee

##### Mr Paul Woodhouse Chairman



Paul joined RDA in 2012. Retiring from local government after serving 12 years as Mayor and Councillor of McKinlay Shire Council to follow other interests, Paul is a primary producer in north west Queensland.

##### Ms Lyn McLaughlin Deputy Chair



Lyn joined RDA in 2009. She is a former Mayor and Councillor of Burdekin Shire Council and represents the region on several committees. Lyn is a primary school teacher.

##### Mr Jeff Jimmieson Treasurer



Jeff Jimmieson is the Manager of Performing Arts, Events and Protocol for Townsville City. He has had an extensive career in event management, public relations and the performing arts, both in local government and private enterprise. His community service includes board memberships of PCYC and Rotary..

##### Mr David Kippin Secretary



David is CEO at Townsville Enterprise Limited, North Queensland's peak economic development and destination marketing organisation. David has previously held senior positions in Financial and Professional Services and Corporate Advisory.

##### Cr Rick Britton



Rick was elected to Boulia Shire Council in 2007 and has served as Mayor since 2008. Rick and his wife Ann own and operate the cattle station Goodwood Pastoral Company.

##### Dr Scott Crawford



Based in Townsville, Scott is CEO of NQ Dry Tropics, the natural resource management body for the Burdekin region. Originally from Brisbane, Scott has lived in Townsville for 13 years.

##### Cr Greg Jones



Greg is the Mayor of Flinders Shire where he has served as a Councillor since 1994. Greg and wife Carole operate an Electrical, Refrigeration & Air Conditioning business in Hughenden.

##### Prof. Sabina Knight



Sabina is the Director of the Mount Isa Centre for Rural and Remote Health and is an internationally recognised rural health leader with an extensive career in remote and rural primary health care, public health and education, and community development.

##### Mr Mike Westerman



Mike is the Chief Operating Officer, North Queensland Copper Assets Australia and has more than 20 years' experience as a mining engineer in underground and open pit environments.

##### Position Vacant

People interested in nominating for the Committee can find more information at <http://rdanwq.org.au/node/15>

Also please do not hesitate to call Glenys Schuntner, CEO on 07 4410 3655 for a discussion about the role.

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