



# Robyn Preston MP

Member for Hawkesbury

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### **\$147,000 FOR COMBINED FLOOD STUDY IN HAWKESBURY**

Member for Hawkesbury, Robyn Preston MP today welcomed new funding of \$147,000 to Hawkesbury City Council for local floodplain management through the NSW Government's Floodplain Management Grants Program.

Ms Preston said the grant, awarded under the 2019-20 Floodplain Management Program, will help Hawkesbury City Council better understand and manage local flood levels, risk and exposure in the Hawkesbury electorate.

"I congratulate Hawkesbury City Council on successfully securing this money to support their plans for the Combined MacDonal River, Colo River, Webbs Creek and Greens Creek flood study and FRMS&P.

"Hawkesbury Council will investigate flooding and flood risk management measures for the Colo River, MacDonal River, Webbs Creek, Greens Creek and their respective tributaries," Ms Preston said.

The Government's Floodplain Management Grants Program funds important projects for local councils to assess flood risk and help reduce flood impacts on their local communities.

The grants assist with flood studies and flood risk management studies, as well as the implementation of works to reduce flood risk such as flood levees, flood gates, warning systems, house raising or purchase in high risk areas.

In 2019-2020 under the Floodplain Management Grants Program \$7.26 million for 50 projects will enable local Councils, County Councils and other government bodies with floodplain risk management responsibilities to undertake priority projects.

Further information and application forms are available here:

<http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/coasts/Floodgrants.htm>

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