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BUSHFIRE CLEAN-UP HITS KEY MILESTONE AS FINAL PROPERTY CLEARED IN HAWKESBURY

The NSW Government's state-wide bushfire clean-up program undertaken by Laing O'Rourke has today reached another significant milestone with all eligible properties having now been cleared within the Hawkesbury Electorate.

Member for Hawkesbury, Robyn Preston MP, said the achievement showcases the immense progress of recovery efforts throughout the State.

"We met the initial target of 2,800 properties cleared across the State in June and today I'm proud to announce we have also completed the clean-up of the additional properties that were identified," Ms Preston said.

"The mammoth job undertaken by Laing O'Rourke clean-up crews has given local communities the chance to start again after the horrific recent bushfires that took so much from so many.

"Every single one of the properties cleared in Hawkesbury represents another individual or family who can look to the future with hope and start to rebuild.

"On behalf of myself and the Hawkesbury Electorate I want to extend a heartfelt thanks to Laing O'Rourke for pushing on in the middle of the COVID-19 pandemic to get the job done and for understanding the importance of supporting local jobs in these difficult times by awarding 99% of their contracts to local and regional subcontractors, creating 1000 jobs across the state.

"To those who have experienced the worst of Mother Nature, I want to say loud and clear, our support does not have a cut-off date and we will continue to be here for you.

"If you have not yet registered for the NSW and Commonwealth sponsored clean-up program, you can still opt in via Service NSW. Please call 133 77 88 to get the help you deserve," said Ms Preston.

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