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RESIDENTIAL EXPANSION OF TYROLEAN VILLAGE

An extension to Tyrolean Village near Jindabyne, allowing for new housing and the protection of land as open space, has been approved by the NSW Government.

Minister for Planning, Tony Kelly, said the site in question covers 66 hectares.

“This includes 58 hectares which will now be managed for future environmental benefits and open space recreational uses such as bike riding and walking,” Mr Kelly said.

“Setting aside this large parcel of land as open space will also protect the visual amenity of the area.

“A further three hectares of land will be specifically zoned for environmental protection.”

Mr Kelly said the residential component would cover less than five hectares adjoining the existing residential area and would consist of 22 lots of around 700-800 square metres each.

“The development of new residential housing on this site is consistent with Snowy River Shire Council’s existing local environmental plan, which seeks to locate new development adjacent to existing urban areas,” Mr Kelly said.

“A number of other strategic plans for the area also identify the future expansion of the Tyrolean Village.

“As part of the rezoning application, a comprehensive environmental study was undertaken to ensure the proposal was acceptable on the site.”

Member for Monaro, Steve Whan, said importantly, the type of housing allowed under the approval will be consistent with the existing nature and amenity of the village.

“It will also allow for better use of the infrastructure that already exists within Tyrolean Village,” Mr Whan said.

Development applications to build on the rezoned land will still require council approval, which would need to:

- Be satisfied an approved management plan is in place for the land to be used for open space;
- Assess the impact on the land’s interface with surrounding vegetation; and
- Ensure a development control plan has been prepared for the site.

Mr Kelly commended Council and the Department of Planning for their work on the rezonings.