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Cooperation delivers updated planning controls for Jerilderie

Updated planning controls have been approved for Jerilderie which reflect the close cooperation between the Department of Planning and Infrastructure and Jerilderie Council.

The Local Environmental Plan (LEP) was finalised in less than nine months and will provide 23 hectares of new industrial land adjacent to the township, while preserving the region's rural character.

The Jerilderie LEP is one of five new LEPs approved by the NSW Government in regional areas in the past fortnight, along with plans for Boorowa, Corowa, Bombala and Gunnedah.

The department's Director-General Sam Haddad said Jerilderie Council had shared in \$148,400, along with Conargo Council, provided by the department to assist with the preparation of the LEP.

"To update planning controls in place for nearly 20 years in such a short time is a significant achievement by Council and the department, and reflects close collaboration on the project," Mr Haddad said.

"This LEP updates the existing planning controls and brings them into the standard LEP template, to provide greater consistency in the types of zones that apply across other local government areas in NSW."

Jerilderie Council General Manager Craig Moffitt welcomed the plan's approval.

"The project was able to be completed within the timeframe set by the department thanks to the close cooperation and efficiency of Council's Development Manager, Susan Appleyard, staff from the department's Western Region office and consultants, SMEC, who undertook all the mapping for the project," Mr Moffitt said.

The key features of the new LEP, which translates the majority of controls from the previous LEP, also include:

- Environmental protection including for terrestrial biodiversity, groundwater, wetlands, riparian lands and watercourses;
- Retaining the current minimum lot size of 213 hectares for the primary production zone, thereby protecting the area's rural character;

"The new LEP will provide a framework for the council to continue to move forward in planning for housing and jobs for this region, while recognising the importance of the local agricultural industry and the environment," Mr Haddad said.

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