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23 December 2022

The Hon Nicola Centofanti MLC  
Member of the Legislative Council  
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Dear Ms Centofanti

### Determination under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991*

I refer to your application made under the *Freedom of Information Act 1991* which was received by the Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) on 25 November 2022, seeking access to the following:

*"A copy of all documents (including but not limited to hard copy or electronic briefings, minutes, reports, emails, letters, meeting agendas, diary entries, placemats, event attendance records and any other correspondence) between the Department of Primary Industries and Regions South Australia and the Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development (including directly with staff within the office of the Minister for Primary Industries), regarding the Mount Gambier District Saleyards."*

Timeframe: 21/03/2022 to 25/11/2022

Accordingly, the following determination has been finalised.

I have located ten documents that are captured within the scope of your request.

### **Determination 1**

I have determined that access to the following documents is **granted in full**:

Doc No.	Description of document	No. of Pages
1	Minute from Chief Executive, PIRSA to Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development dated 15/7/2022 re Mount Gambier Saleyards	3
2	Minute from Chief Executive, PIRSA to Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development dated 26/9/2022 re new mobile base station at Glenburnie in the Limestone Coast – Mount Gambier and District Saleyards	4

3	Minute from Chief Executive, PIRSA to Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development dated 4/10/2022 re letter of support for Mount Gambier Saleyards Project	5
4	Minute from Chief Executive, PIRSA to Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development dated 6/10/2022 re Mount Gambier and District Saleyards Upgrade Project	3
5	District Council of Grant – Mount Gambier and District Saleyards Strategy – Committee Meeting Agenda - Item 9.5 – 7/11/2022	1

The information removed from Document 2 is outside of the scope of your request.

### **Determination 2**

I have determined that access to the following document is **refused**:

Doc No.	Description of document	No. of Pages
7	Draft Cabinet Note (undated)	3

Access to the above document is refused pursuant to Clause 1(1)(b) of Schedule 1 of the Freedom of Information Act which states:

***“1 – Cabinet documents***

*(1) A document is an exempt document –*

*(b) if it is a preliminary draft of a document referred to in paragraph (a);”*

The document consists of an early preliminary draft of a proposed Cabinet Note (whether or not it had been submitted to Cabinet).

### **Determination 3**

I have determined that access to the following document is **refused**:

Doc No.	Description of document	No. of Pages
8	Email thread dated 20/10/2022 re Cabinet matter	2

Access to the above document is refused pursuant to Clause 1(1)(e) of Schedule 1 of the Freedom of Information Act which states:

***“1 – Cabinet documents***

*(1) A document is an exempt document –*

*(e) if it contains matter the disclosure of which would disclose information concerning any deliberation or decision of Cabinet;”*

Disclosure of this document would reveal detail of a matter considered in Cabinet.



#### **Determination 4**

I have determined that access to the following documents is **refused**:

Doc No.	Description of document	No. of Pages
1a	Attachment to Document 1 – Draft letter	1
4a	Attachment to Document 4 – Draft letter	1

Access to the above documents is refused pursuant to Clause 9(1) of Schedule 1 of the Freedom of Information Act which states:

***“9—Internal working documents***

*(1) A document is an exempt document if it contains matter—*

*(a) that relates to -*

*(i) any opinion, advice or recommendation that has been obtained, prepared or recorded; or*

*(ii) any consultation or deliberation that has taken place, in the course of, or for the purpose of, the decision-making functions of the Government, a Minister or an agency; and*

*(b) the disclosure of which would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.”*

The documents consist of draft letters attached to briefing advice to a Minister.

In addressing the public interest test for the exemption, I have balanced the following factors:

*In favour of the public interest:*

- Meeting the objects of the Act favouring access to documents.
- Ensuring optimal use of public resources.
- High level of interest in the accountability of public office holders.
- The importance of transparency and openness and the interest that the public has in the decision-making processes of Government.

*Contrary to the public interest:*

- The recent age of the information was considered and the continuing relevance of the matters.
- The likelihood that disclosure could inhibit frank and open discussion, between an agency and its Minister.
- If draft documents requiring the consideration of a Minister are disclosed when it is decided not to progress with various approaches, Departmental officers may be more hesitant when submitting information to a Minister which, in turn, may result in less effective decision-making by Government.
- Disclosing this information may compromise the manner in which information is gathered in the future for the decision-making processes of Government to the detriment of the betterment for South Australia.

Having considered the various factors weighing for and against disclosure, I have determined that disclosure of these documents would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

## **Determination 2**

I have determined that access to the following document is **refused**:

Doc No.	Description of document	No. of Pages
6	Parliamentary Briefing Note dated 11/11/2022	3

Access to the above document is refused pursuant to Clause 17(c) of Schedule 1 of the Freedom of Information Act which states:

***"17 – Documents subject to contempt etc***

*A document is an exempt document if it contains matter the public disclosure of which would, but for any immunity of the Crown –  
(c) infringe the privilege of Parliament."*

The document consists of a briefing note which was specifically prepared for the purpose of use in proceedings in Parliament. Disclosure of this information would infringe the privilege of Parliament.

If you are dissatisfied with this determination, you are entitled to exercise your right of review and appeal as outlined in the attached documentation <https://archives.sa.gov.au/finding-information/information-held-sa-government/making-freedom-information-application#Review>, by completing the "FOI Application Form for Internal Review of a Determination" and returning the completed form to:

Freedom of Information Principal Officer  
Department of Primary Industries and Regions  
GPO Box 1671  
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or via email [PIRSA.FOI@sa.gov.au](mailto:PIRSA.FOI@sa.gov.au)

In accordance with the requirements of Premier and Cabinet Circular PC045, details of your application, and the documents to which you are given access, will be published in PIRSA's disclosure log. A copy of PC045 can be found at [http://dpc.sa.gov.au/data/assets/pdf\\_file/0019/20818/PC045-Disclosure-Log-Policy.pdf](http://dpc.sa.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0019/20818/PC045-Disclosure-Log-Policy.pdf)

If you disagree with publication, please advise the undersigned in writing within fourteen calendar days from the date of this determination.



Should you require further information or clarification with respect to this matter, please contact Ms Lisa Farley, Senior Freedom of Information Advisor on 8429 0422 or email [PIRSA.FOI@sa.gov.au](mailto:PIRSA.FOI@sa.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



Kristy Grant  
**Accredited Freedom of Information Officer**  
**DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND REGIONS**



Minute to  
**Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development**  
**Minister for Forest Industries**

Ref: eA197502

For	<b>Signature</b>
Critical Date	Routine
Subject	<b>Mount Gambier Saleyards – Response to</b>

**Synopsis**

On 21 June 2022, Mr Darryl Whicker, CEO of the District Council of Grant, wrote to you regarding the Mount Gambier and Districts Saleyards Transformation Project and your assistance to advocate with your Ministerial counterparts within the Commonwealth Government. The District Council of Grant and the City of Mount Gambier have requested a formal delegation to present to the Hon Catherine King MP, Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government, and have expressed their desire to work with you to facilitate this. A draft response is provided for your signature.

**Recommendations**

That you:

1. Sign the attached letter of response to Mr Darryl Whicker, CEO of the District Council of Grant.

**SIGNED / NOT SIGNED**

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Hon Clare Scriven MLC

**Minister for Primary Industries  
and Regional Development**

**Minister for Forest Industries**

/ / 2022

**Ministerial Comments -**



## **Background**

- The Mount Gambier and District Saleyards are located 10kms east of Mount Gambier on the Princes Highway, Glenburnie. The Saleyards are owned and operated by the District Council of Grant and are the largest cattle exchange facility in the Limestone Coast region.
- The Saleyards are a key part of the agricultural sector in the region, generating \$593 million worth of livestock sales over the past five years and providing social and well-being outcomes to the primary producers. In the 2020/21 financial year, the Saleyards facilitated \$125 million worth of livestock (77,000 cattle and 110,000 sheep) sale transactions.

## **Discussion**

- In February 2022, the former government committed up to \$2.7 million from the Local Government Infrastructure Partnerships Program towards the District Council of Grant's Mount Gambier and District Saleyards Transformation Project, subject to their successful application to the previous Commonwealth Government's Building Better Region Fund Round 6 (BBRF6). If approved, the project will provide a major upgrade of the facility including provision of a 13,600m<sup>2</sup> roof over the complex, installation of soft flooring for improved livestock welfare, reconfiguration of pens and laneways beneath the roof area, and provision of rainwater harvesting system, lighting, troughs and other facilities.
- In his correspondence, Mr Whicker refers to a recent meeting with you and the Combined Agents on 10 June 2022 concerning advocacy for the Saleyards Transformation project.
- Mr Whicker is hopeful of your assistance to advocate for the project with your Ministerial counterparts within the Commonwealth Government. He has provided you with a letter that briefly summarises some of the benefits of the Saleyards Transformation project and a summary report articulating the Social Value of Saleyards (Blue Wren Report). The full findings are available at <http://australiansaleyards.com.au/social-value-saleyards/>
- According to Mr Whicker, both the District Council of Grant and the City of Mount Gambier were able to have a very brief touch point with the Hon Catherine King MP, Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government, and have requested a formal delegation present to the Minister at either the Saleyards or the Minister's Office. They would like to work together with you to facilitate this.
- Given the significant Government of South Australia support for the Mount Gambier and District Saleyards and their transformation project, PIRSA recommends that your office arranges a meeting with the District Council of Grant and the City of Mount Gambier to discuss the project.
- A draft response to Mr Whicker is provided for your consideration.

## **Stakeholder / regional impacts, consultation and engagement**

- The Mount Gambier and District Saleyards Transformation Project is expected to provide transformational change for producers, buyers and transport operators by providing a modern state of the art facility that will be safe, user friendly and attractive to all clients.

### Legislative and/or financial implications

- In November 2019, the former Government granted the District Council of Grant \$385,000 (GST exclusive) from the Regional Growth Fund Competitive Pool 2019 - 20 towards their \$770,000 infrastructure upgrade project at the Saleyards. This project is now complete.
- In February 2022, the former government committed up to \$2.7 million from the Local Government Infrastructure Partnerships Program towards the District Council of Grant's Mount Gambier and District Saleyards Transformation Project, subject to their successful application to the previous Commonwealth Government's Building Better Region Fund Round 6 (BBRF6).

### Attachments

- A. Draft letter to Mr Darryl Whicker, CEO of the District Council of Grant.



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### CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Department of Primary Industries and Regions

15/7/2022

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Minute to  
**Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development**  
**Minister for Forest Industries**

Ref: eA198123

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For	Noting
Critical Date	Week of 4-7 October 2022 (date of launch)
Subject	Launch of new Telstra mobile base station at Glenburnie in the Limestone Coast

**Synopsis**

Telstra has completed construction of its new mobile tower at Glenburnie in the Limestone Coast. A launch will be held in the week of 4-7 October 2022 and your office has requested a briefing for you ahead of your attendance at the event.

**Recommendations**

That you:

1. Note the brief.

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Hon Clare Scriven MLC

**Minister for Primary Industries  
and Regional Development****Minister for Forest Industries**

6 / 10 / 2022

**Ministerial Comments**

## Background

- In 2014, the Commonwealth Government commenced delivery of its \$380 million Mobile Black Spot Program (MBSP) over six rounds. Six funding rounds of the MBSP have taken place, including a supplementary round, Round 5A, because not all funds from Round 5 were allocated.
- Under the previous administration, funding of up to \$80 million was committed to the Commonwealth Government's MBSP Round 6. However, it is not yet clear whether the program will continue under the current Commonwealth Government.
- South Australia's \$10 million Mobile Phone Black Spot Fund was established in 2018. The Fund has contributed directly to addressing 45 mobile phone black spot locations in regional South Australia, which are part of the 54 mobile coverage solutions that have been funded with State and Commonwealth Government contributions since March 2018. This outcome represents a total state investment of over \$8.28 million (excluding GST) in mobile infrastructure in regional and remote South Australia.
- Under a direct negotiation agreement between Telstra Corporation Limited (Telstra) and the Government of South Australia, Telstra has delivered a new mobile tower to address mobile coverage issues at Glenburnie in the state's Limestone Coast.
- Glenburnie is located 9 kilometres east of Mount Gambier, about 385 kilometres from Adelaide and adjoins the border with Victoria. Its boundaries align in part in the north with the Glenelg Highway, in part to the south with both the Princes Highway and the Mount Gambier-Heywood railway line, and with the Victorian border to the east.
- Glenburnie is located within the Federal Electorate of Barker, the State Electoral District of Mount Gambier and in the local government areas of the District Council of Grant and the City of Mount Gambier. According to the 2016 Australian Census, Glenburnie has a population of 376 people.
- The District Council of Grant expressed interest in contributing to the delivery of a mobile coverage solution at Glenburnie as part of the process of selecting priority mobile black spot locations for submission for funding under the Commonwealth Government's MBSP Round 5.
- The District Council of Grant considered that a Telstra macrocell solution at Glenburnie would provide reliable mobile phone coverage for key economic and recreational infrastructure located in that area, particularly the Mount Gambier and District Saleyards, Out of scope  
Out of scope
- These sites are located on a very busy section of the Princes Highway which provides a major transport route for freight, tourism and commuter traffic between South Australia and Victoria. The Mount Gambier and District Saleyards also abuts Fairbanks Road, part of the Heavy Vehicle Bypass Route around the City of Mount Gambier, from its northern approach to where it intersects the Princes Highway to the east.
- The District Council of Grant argued that provision of the Telstra mobile coverage solution at Glenburnie would provide significant regional growth through services to the above-mentioned key economic and recreational infrastructure:
  - *The Mount Gambier and District Saleyards* is a local government facility, major agricultural precinct and transport hub, owned and operated by the



District Council of Grant. It is the largest cattle selling facility in the Limestone Coast region, with sales of both cattle and sheep over \$120 million per annum, with an estimated economic value in excess of \$350 million. The Mount Gambier and District Saleyards are an integral part of the agricultural economy for the South East of South Australia. Eliminating the mobile black spot at such an important livestock exchange and agribusiness hub will increase productivity, provide effective communications for both buyers and sellers, and will enable emerging and future technologies in relation to livestock selling to be fully implemented. It will enable future development of the facility and support regional growth through the provision of key infrastructure for the vitally important livestock industry.

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- In support of its petition for a mobile base station at Glenburnie, the District Council of Grant agreed to commit \$50,000 towards the project. Consequently, in August 2019, the District Council of Grant signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Telstra for its contribution to the Glenburnie mobile base station. This contribution was reflected in the direct funding agreement signed between Telstra and the Government of South Australia (outside the MBSP scheme) in July 2020 for delivery of a mobile tower at Glenburnie. The mobile black spot solution at Glenburnie is funded as follows (all amounts are GST inclusive):

Telstra contribution	\$275,480
Government of South Australia contribution	\$363,220
District Council of Grant contribution	<u>\$ 50,000</u>
Total project cost	\$688,700

## Discussion

- The Telstra mobile tower at Glenburnie has now been completed and went to air on 1 August 2022.
- The Telstra tower will provide large areas of new handheld and external antenna service to Telstra mobile customers and address the mobile coverage issues at the

Mount Gambier and District Saleyards, Out of scope  
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Out of . Therefore, the mobile phone coverage solution will enable these local facilities to stay connected and provide connectivity for tourists and users not only at the sites, but when travelling into the area.

#### **Stakeholder / regional impacts, consultation and engagement**

- Delivery of the Telstra mobile coverage solution at Glenburnie will benefit regional businesses, particularly primary producers, and provide connectivity for locals, tourists and visitors attending high profile regional events.

#### **Management of key risks**

- Nil.

#### **Legislative and / or financial implications**

- Funding of \$330,200 (excluding GST) has been committed from the state's Mobile Phone Black Spot Fund towards the Telstra Glenburnie mobile tower.



#### **CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

Department of Primary Industries and Regions

26/9/2022

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Minute to  
**Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development**  
**Minister for Forest Industries**

Ref: eA197502

For	Signature
Critical Date	10 October 2022
Subject	Letter of support for Mount Gambier Saleyards Project - Hon Catherine King MP

### Synopsis

Your office has requested a Letter of Support to the Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government the Hon Catherine King MP for the Mount Gambier and District Saleyards Transformation Project and their Building Better Regions Fund application.

### Recommendations

That you:

1. Consider and sign the attached letter to Hon Catherine King MP.

**SIGNED / NOT SIGNED**

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Hon Clare Scriven MLC  
**Minister for Primary Industries  
and Regional Development**  
**Minister for Forest Industries**  
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**Ministerial Comments -**

## **Background**

- In February 2022, the former state government committed up to \$2.7 million from the Local Government Infrastructure Partnerships Program towards the District Council of Grant's Mount Gambier and District Saleyards Transformation Project, subject to their successful application to the previous Commonwealth Government's Building Better Region Fund Round 6 (BBRF6) program.
- PIRSA understands the District Council of Grant has applied to the Commonwealth Government for \$5.3 million under the BBRF6.
- Your office has requested a Letter of support to the Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government the Hon Catherine King MP for the District Council of Grant's BBRF6 application.

## **Discussion**

- The Mount Gambier and District Saleyards are located 10 kilometres east of Mount Gambier on the Princes Highway, Glenburnie. The Saleyards are owned and operated by the District Council of Grant and are the largest cattle exchange facility in the Limestone Coast region.
- The Saleyards are a key part of the agricultural sector in the region, generating \$593 million worth of livestock sales over the past five years and providing social and well-being outcomes to the primary producers. In the 2020/21 financial year, the Saleyards facilitated \$125 million worth of livestock (77,000 cattle and 110,000 sheep) sale transactions.
- The project is expected to provide transformational change for producers, buyers and transport operators by providing a modern state of the art facility that will be safe, user friendly and attractive to all clients.
- Mr Darryl Whicker, Chief Executive Officer, District Council of Grant wrote to you 21 June 2022 requesting advocacy for the Saleyards Transformation project. PIRSA provided you with a briefing and response letter (eA197502).
- Recently, The Hon Nicola Centofanti MLC wrote to Senator the Honourable Murray Watt, Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry in support of the Mount Gambier and District Saleyards Upgrade Project and its Building Better Regions Fund application, providing you with a copy of the letter. PIRSA has provided a briefing and draft response letter (eA197889).

## **Stakeholder / regional impacts, consultation and engagement**

- Nil

## **Management of key risks**

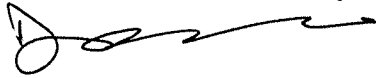
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## **Legislative and/or financial implications**

- None

## Attachments

A. Letter to Hon Catherine King MP



## CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Department of Primary Industries and Regions

4/10/2022

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of South Australia

The Hon Clare Scriven MLC

Hon Catherine King MP  
Minister for Infrastructure, Transport,  
Regional Development and Local Government  
House of Representatives  
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Parliament House  
CANBERRA ACT 2600

Email: [minister.king.mo@infrastructure.gov.au](mailto:minister.king.mo@infrastructure.gov.au)

Dear Minister

I write to you in support of the Mount Gambier and District Saleyards Upgrade Project and the District Council of Grant's application to the former Commonwealth Government's Building Better Regions Fund Round 6, requesting \$5.3 million.

The Mount Gambier and District Saleyards are located 10 kilometres east of Mount Gambier, are owned and operated by the District Council of Grant. The Saleyards are a key part of the agricultural sector in the Limestone Coast region, generating \$593 million worth of livestock sales over the past five years and providing social and well-being outcomes to the primary producers. In the 2020/21 financial year, the Saleyards facilitated \$125 million worth of livestock (77,000 cattle and 110,000 sheep) sale transactions.

The project is expected to provide transformational change for producers, buyers and transport operators by providing a modern state of the art facility that will be safe, user friendly and attractive to all clients.

The then South Australian Labor Opposition provided a commitment and letter of support in 2021. The new Malinauskas Labor Government has since reaffirmed its commitment of \$2.7 million towards the redevelopment of the saleyards.

This support demonstrates the project is of a high priority for the state of South Australia and I am hopeful that with the Commonwealth Government's support the project can be realised, delivering full benefit to the region's primary producers and the state more broadly.

Thank you for your consideration of this important project.

Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development  
Minister for Forest Industries

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Yours sincerely



Hon Clare Scriven MLC

**MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT**  
**MINISTER FOR FOREST INDUSTRIES**

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Minute to  
**Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development**  
**Minister for Forest Industries**

Ref: eA197889

For	Signature
Critical Date	30 October 2022
Subject	Hon Nicola Centofanti MLC – Mount Gambier and District Saleyards Upgrade Project

**Synopsis**

The Hon Nicola Centofanti MLC has written to Senator the Hon Murray Watt, Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry in support of the Mount Gambier and District Saleyards Upgrade Project and its Building Better Regions application.

You have been sent a copy of the letter.

**Recommendations**

That you:

1. Sign the attached letter to Hon Nicola Centofanti MLC.

**SIGNED / NOT SIGNED***Brief noted*

Hon Clare Scriven MLC

**Minister for Primary Industries  
and Regional Development**

**Minister for Forest Industries**

22 / 10 / 2022

**Ministerial Comments -**

## **Background**

- The Hon Nicola Centofanti MLC has written to Senator the Hon Murray Watt, Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry in support of the Mount Gambier and District Saleyards Upgrade Project and its Building Better Regions application.
- You have been sent a copy of the letter.
- You previously received a briefing on the Mount Gambier and Districts Saleyards Transformation Project when the District Council of Grant wrote requesting your assistance to advocate with your Ministerial counterparts within the Commonwealth Government (eA197502).
- Your office has requested a letter of support be prepared to the Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government the Hon Catherine King MP. PIRSA has prepared the letter for your consideration (eA197502 – number duplicated by your office).

## **Discussion**

- In February 2022, the former government committed up to \$2.7 million from the Local Government Infrastructure Partnerships Program towards the District Council of Grant's Mount Gambier and District Saleyards Transformation Project, subject to their successful application to the previous Commonwealth Government's Building Better Region Fund Round 6 (BBRF6).
- The Hon Nicola Centofanti letter states 'The South Australian Liberal Opposition remains committed to the project and the project remains a priority for the State'.
- Telstra has recently delivered a new mobile tower through the Mobile Black Spot program to address mobile coverage issues at Glenburnie that will improve service for the Mount Gambier and District Saleyards. A launch will be held in the week of 4-7 October 2022 and PIRSA has provided your office with a briefing ahead of your attendance at the event (eA197889).

## **Stakeholder / regional impacts, consultation and engagement**

- Nil

## **Management of key risks**

- Nil

## **Legislative and/or financial implications**

- None

## **Attachments**

- A. Letter to Hon Nicola Centofanti MLC



**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

Department of Primary Industries and Regions

6/10/2022

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<b>DIVISION</b>	Regions
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7 November 2022

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Government  
of South Australia

The Hon Clare Scriven MLC

Mr Darryl Whicker  
Chief Executive Officer  
District Council of Grant

Email: [ceo@dcgrant.sa.gov.au](mailto:ceo@dcgrant.sa.gov.au)

Dear Mr Whicker

*Darryl,*

Further to our phone call, I note that the Federal Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government, the Hon Catherine King MP recently announced that the Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF) will be discontinued, which includes BBRF Round 6.

I want to reaffirm the Malinauskas Labor Government's commitment of up to \$2.7 million towards the redevelopment of the Mount Gambier Saleyards project. The current funding commitment is maintained subject to your Council securing Commonwealth funding.

I understand there are two new grant programs available including the new Growing Regions Program and the regional Precincts and Partnerships Program.

I look forward to working with you in applying for these grants in the coming months.

I am hopeful that with the Commonwealth Government's support, the project can be realised, delivering full benefit to the region's primary producers, the local community and the state more broadly.

Yours sincerely

*Clare Scriven*

Hon Clare Scriven MLC  
**MINISTER FOR PRIMARY INDUSTRIES AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT**  
**MINISTER FOR FOREST INDUSTRIES**

*1 / 11* / 2022

cc Richard Sage, Mayor, District Council of Grant

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Minister for Forest Industries

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