

Media Release

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WODONGA POWERS AHEAD WITH JOBS GROWTH

A new transport depot for Logic Wodonga will create new jobs and strengthen the city's role as a leading transport and logistics hub, thanks to support from the Allan Labor Government.

Minister for Regional Development Gayle Tierney today announced funding for O'Brien Transport to build its new \$7.5 million depot at the site.

The Labor Government's support for O'Brien will allow the third-generation family business to relocate from its long-held Albury site to Logic Wodonga, creating 30 new jobs and bringing 110 existing staff to the new facility.

The project will be an addition to Hume freeway's freight corridor, known as a road and rail logistics hub for national supply chains and capable of reaching 75 per cent of Australia's population within 24 hours.

O'Brien's new transport depot will be three times larger than its Albury headquarters, while its new storage and warehousing facility at the Wodonga precinct will more than double in size to meet growing customer demand.

The company has transport depots in both Melbourne and Sydney, as well as several shared sites across Australia. Established in 1948, the business has become a regional freight and logistics company that connects major cities and services global companies.

Victoria's freight and logistics sector contributes about \$21 billion to the state's economy each year and supports over 260,000 jobs.

The project is part of the Government's record investment of more than \$41 billion in rural and regional Victoria since 2015. For more information go to rdv.vic.gov.au.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Regional Development Gayle Tierney

"Wodonga is fast becoming a national logistics powerhouse, supporting hundreds of regional jobs and creating hundreds more as the sector continues to grow."

Quote attributable to Member for Northern Victoria Jaclyn Symes

"By backing businesses like O'Brien Transport to expand locally, we are supporting the region's capability to compete domestically and internationally and that will attract more growth, more investment and more jobs."