

Media Release

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SHEPPARTON'S NEW BMX PAVILION PEDALS TO NEW HEIGHTS

A local Shepparton construction company has been named as the builder for the new pavilion at the state's premier BMX venue – backed by the Allan Labor Government.

Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence today announced Shepparton-based Moretto Building Pty Ltd as the head contractor for the upgrade to the Shepparton BMX Club – providing a significant boost to local jobs and businesses.

The new two-story pavilion will give spectators better views of the BMX track and serve as a new hub for events and community gatherings for the town.

The pavilion is part of broader upgrades to the Shepparton BMX Club including enhancements to the track and starting hill, improving conditions for riders, spectators and broadcasters, along with new lighting for the adjacent velodrome.

The project is being delivered through the Labor Government's *Regional Sports Infrastructure Program* in partnership with Greater Shepparton City Council.

The Regional Sports Infrastructure Program is part of the Labor Government's record \$45 billion investment since 2014 in projects and programs that matter to regional communities, including more than \$2.3 billion for sport and active recreation infrastructure across Victoria.

Programs like the *Regional Sports Infrastructure Program* are supporting rural and regional Victoria to be an even better place to live, work and visit. The record investment is delivering what locals want and need, close to home, to attract more visitors and help local businesses grow.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Community Sport Ros Spence

"This is the premier BXM track in our state and these upgrades will make the Shepparton BMX Club an even better venue for riders, spectators, visitors and broadcasters – allowing the club to continue attracting major sporting competitions well into the future."

"World class infrastructure not only helps locals riders reach their full potential, it provides an economic boost to the whole town, supports local businesses and brings more people to our great regional towns like Shepparton."

Quote attributable to Member for Northern Victoria Jaclyn Symes

"We're building a world-class BMX venue, creating jobs and supporting the businesses and sporting talent that make Shepparton such a vibrant place for locals and visitors alike."

Quotes attributable to Cr Shane Sali, Mayor of Greater Shepparton City Council

"Greater Shepparton City Council is extremely pleased to award the tender for this game changing upgrade to local company Moretto Building. Our region lives and breathes BMX and this new multi-use events pavilion will help take our local talent to new heights."

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“Greater Shepparton is a proven host of many successful local, state, national and international BMX and cycling events. This world class facility will ensure our region is well placed to continue hosting events of this nature.”