

Media Release

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NEW TOWERS CONNECT MURRAY PLAINS TO FASTER BROADBAND

The Allan Labor Government is delivering improved broadband coverage for Murray Plains communities with nbn towers in Nyah, Swan Hill North and Piangil now live.

Minister for Government Services Natalie Hutchins said the upgrades would make it easier for residents to connect with loved ones, work or study from home, stream content online, and access safety information during bushfires and other emergencies.

The new towers will provide the nbn Fixed Wireless service to more than 2,400 premises across the Murray Plains, offering residents and businesses access to download speeds of up to 100 Megabits per second, through their chosen internet provider. The towers have been designed to support faster download speeds in future.

The project has been co-funded by Connecting Victoria, NBN Co and the NSW Government, with broadband coverage extending across the Murray River into parts of NSW.

Through the Connecting Victoria program, the Victorian Government is working to fast-track more than 1,300 mobile and broadband projects.

While the Australian Government is responsible for telecommunications services in Australia, the Victorian Government is investing significantly to fast-track telecommunications infrastructure and address connectivity issues across the state.

Improved mobile and nbn internet connectivity has an important role to play in helping to keep people, businesses and communities connected during emergencies.

Residents can check if they're eligible for a Fixed Wireless service via the 'check your address' function at the nbn website. Find out more about the Connecting Victoria program at vic.gov.au/connecting-victoria.

Quote attributable to Minister for Government Services Natalie Hutchins

"We are making it easier for Victorians to stay connected by improving internet access, speeds and connectivity for residents across Swan Hill and the Murray Plains."

Quote attributable to Member for Northern Victoria Jaclyn Symes

"Connecting Victoria is fast-tracking telecommunications upgrades across the state to improve the way people connect and businesses operate."

Quote attributable to Head of nbn Local Victoria Emily Peel

"The nbn Fixed Wireless network is a core part of our network, and regional Australian homes and businesses are benefiting from faster nbn speeds and more reliable connectivity in busy periods than ever before. People will be able to do more online, with more devices, at the same time."

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