



# BYLONG COAL

## KEPCO BYLONG AUSTRALIA

### MEDIA RELEASE

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#### **NEXT ROUND OF COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUND RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED – MORE THAN \$600,000 INVESTED TO DATE**

KEPCO Bylong Australia today announced that its Community Investment Fund has seen the community benefit to the tune of more than \$600,000 with the latest funding round of \$26,000 provided to ten local organisations across the Mid-Western Regional Council LGA.

KEPCO's Chief Operating Officer, Bill Vatovec said that since 2010 KEPCO had supported 147 projects in the community with grants of up to \$3,000.

"The Bylong Coal Project Community Investment Fund provides grants to not-for-profits and charitable groups to support local events, initiatives and projects," Mr Vatovec said.

"The next round of the Community Investment Fund will open on 5 October 2018, so if you are involved with or aware of a local organisation, association or charity and have a project, event or initiative that needs support please consider applying for funding.

"KEPCO Bylong Australia is committed to the \$1.3 billion Bylong Coal Project but we aren't waiting for project approval to ensure the community receives the benefits of this significant investment.

"The Bylong Coal Project will provide a massive boost to the local economy including the approximately \$9 million Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) we negotiated with Mid-Western Regional Council last year and the further \$3.6 million we have committed to spend on local roads."

Peter Ryan President of the Rylstone District Wild Dog Association said he was grateful for KEPCO's support from the Community Investment Fund.

"The grant from the Community Investment Fund will assist in our efforts to control wild dogs through the purchase of new cameras for monitoring," Mr Ryan said.

*Please find a list of successful Community Investment Fund recipients attached.*

#### **ABOUT THE BYLONG COAL PROJECT:**

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### Bylong Coal Project Community Investment Fund 2018 Round 2 Recipients

Organisation	Summary of Request	Amount
Rotary Club of Mudgee	2018 Mudgee Mathematical Minds Challenge	\$1,500
Mudgee Rescue Squad Inc.	Emergency Safety Flares and Tower light	\$3,000
Mudgee Little Athletics Club Incorporated	Volunteer Training Program	\$2,945
PCYC Mudgee	Sports Programs for Kids	\$3,000
Clandulla RFS	Purchase of diesel generator and portable flood lights	\$2,300
Rylstone District Wild Dog Association	Wild dog control - purchase of cameras for monitoring	\$3,000
Gulgong Multipurpose Service	Women's Health and Wellness Evening	\$2,000
Rylstone Kandos Rotary Club	Rylstone Rotary Christmas Carnival	\$3,000
Mudgee Public School	Mudgee PS Robotics Program	\$3,000
Mudgee Region MTB Club Incorporated	Mudgee Common Trail Signs	\$2,500
<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>\$26,245</b>

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