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**RDA-HUNTER ATTENDS AND PRESENTS AT NATIONAL FORUM IN CANBERRA
3RD MARCH**

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Regional Development Australia-Hunter will this week attend and present at the RDA National Forum in Canberra.

Todd Williams, CEO, RDA Hunter will attend the national Forum being hosted by The Hon. Simon Crean, MP Minister for Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government on the 3rd and 4th March.

The Forum is an opportunity for the 55 RDA Committees to meet and discuss the challenges and opportunities of regional development.

Key elements of the program include creating real outcomes from regional plans, considering the regional benefits of the national broadband network and working effectively with all levels of government.

Todd Williams has been invited as one of only two RDA CEOs nationally to address the Forum about the submission RDA-Hunter has lodged with the Federal Government and NBN Co to promote the Hunter Central Coast as a priority region for the rollout of the National Broadband Network (NBN).

“RDA-Hunter is delighted to have been invited to present at this national Forum. Our submission to the Federal Government and NBN Co was of a high standard and having this recognized by Mr Crean is very positive,” said Mr Williams

“The NBN is a regionally significant project and the Hunter Central Coast is working hard to have the region included as a priority roll out area. The opportunity to present to Federal government representatives and promote the region is invaluable.” Mr Williams continued.

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