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Proposal Title: \$25 MILLION TO PLAN LOWER HUNTER HOSPITAL

Cluster: Health

General Government Sector Impacts

| | 2014-15 \$'000 | 2015-16 \$'000 | 2016-17 \$'000 | 2017-18 \$'000 | 4 Year Total \$'000 |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| Expenses (ex. depreciation) | | · | · | · | - |
| Depreciation | | | | | - |
| Less: Offsets | | | | | - |
| Revenue | | | | | - |
| Net Operating Result: | - | - | - | - | - |
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| Capital Expenditure | | | | | - |
| Capital Offsets | | | | | - |
| Net Capital Expenditure: | - | - | - | - | - |
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| Net Lending/(Borrowing): | - | - | - | - | - |
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| Net Financial Liabilities: | - | _ | _ | _ | |
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| Total State Sector Imports | | | | | |
| Total State Sector Impacts | | | | | |
| Net Financial Liabilities: | - | - | - | - | |

Notes and costing assumptions

The policy proposes to provide \$25 million in 2015-16 to support planning for construction of a new hospital in the Lower Hunter, with funding sourced from the Ministry of Health's uncommitted capital funding.

According to the Statement of Uncommitted Funds, there is \$1.3 billion in uncommitted capital funding available for health infrastructure, including \$273 million in 2015-16, \$488 million in 2016-17 and \$540 million in 2017-18.

Given there is sufficient uncommitted funding available to meet the cost of the policy (even allowing for \$200 million to be provided for redevelopment of Wyong Hospital - see A377), there will be no financial impact. The PBO notes that with respect to uncommitted health capital funding, "any election announcements of additional projects using these funds may require reprioritisation of the agency's service delivery plans".