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Referred by: Coalition **Proposal No:** C1692
Date Referred: 17/03/2023 **Date Published:** 21/03/2023
Proposal Title: Enhancing Recreational Fishing and Camping
Cluster: Regional NSW

General Government Sector Impacts

	2022-23 \$'000	2023-24 \$'000	2024-25 \$'000	2025-26 \$'000	4 year Total \$'000
Expenses (ex. depreciation)	-	25,500	-	-	25,500
Depreciation					-
Less: Offsets					-
Revenue					-
Net Operating Balance:	-	(25,500)	-	-	(25,500)

Capital Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
Capital Offsets					
Net Capital Expenditure:	-	-	-	-	-

Net Lending/(Borrowing):	-	(25,500)	-	-	(25,500)
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Total State Sector Impacts

Net Lending/(Borrowing):	-	(25,500)	-	-	(25,500)
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Notes and costing assumptions:

The proposal is to provide funding to support recreational fishing in NSW in the form of:

- \$500,000 to open up more waterways to recreational fishing in Penrith Lakes
- \$5 million toward the construction of six new major recreational fishing platforms on the Georges and Parramatta Rivers
- \$20 million fund for upgrading recreational fishing facilities

The policy will be administered by the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) and the policy assumes administrative costs can be absorbed by the agency.

The PBO assumes the funding will be grant funding. The PBO believes that DPI can absorb these costs as administering recreational fishing is a usual business activity of the agency.

The PBO also notes that DPI manages recreational fishing in NSW and that parts of Penrith Lakes, Georges River and Parramatta River may be closed to fishing. The PBO assumes funding to new recreational fishing waterways and new infrastructure will be in accordance with current regulation.