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ECONOMIC STIMULUS: \$5.4M FOR CYCLING INFRASTRUCTURE ACROSS THE ILLAWARRA AND SOUTH COAST

The Rudd Labor Government is partnering with five local councils to invest \$4.1 million to upgrade and expand cycling infrastructure in communities across the Illawarra and South Coast.

Federal Infrastructure and Regional Development Minister Anthony Albanese said the Government will provide \$1.8 million from its National Bike Paths Fund for six local projects, with the councils kicking in the balance of the necessary funding.

“These projects are exactly what our Economic Stimulus Plan is all about. They will immediately support 142 local jobs while leaving a lasting legacy for the community through facilities that will encourage healthier lifestyles,” said Mr Albanese.

“We are providing more Australians with a greener, healthier way of getting to and from school or work.”

The councils receiving funding are: Shoalhaven; Kiama; Wingecarribee; Wollongong; and Shellharbour. A full list of projects is attached.

Organisation	Project Name	Federal Contribution	Total Project Cost	Project Description
Shoalhaven City Council	CBD Cycleway Project (Nowra & Ulladulla)	750,000	1,501,500	This project, located in Nowra and Ulladulla will construct and upgrade cycle ways and footpaths within the CBD's of Nowra and Ulladulla.
Shoalhaven City Council	Cycleway along Shoalhaven River	100,000	201,500	This project, located in Nowra is for a 2m wide cycleway built along the top of a levee bank alongside the Southern banks of the Shoalhaven River.
Council of the Municipality of Kiama	Jamberoo Valley Cycleway	183,938	391,874	This project, located in North Kiama will construct a 2 kilometre bicycle path connecting Gainsborough residential estate in North Kiama to Swamp Road, near Jamberoo Village. National Bike Path Program funding will go towards stages 1 and 2 of a 3 stage project.
Wingecarribee Shire Council	Illawarra Highway, Robertson Cycleway	237,000	474,000	The project, located in Robertson will construct a 685 metre long and 2.5 metre wide cycleway (shared path) along the southern side of the Illawarra Highway from Main Street to Fountaindale Road.
Wollongong City Council	Missing Links & Replacement Programme for Primary Cycleway Network	277,909	553,545	This project, located in Wollongong will involve the construction of missing links and replacement of failed sections of the Primary Cycleway Network within Wollongong.
Shellharbour City Council	Elliott Lake Shared Use Path	242,500	980,000	The project is located at Shellharbour will complete the missing link of 3.2 kilometres between Lake Illawarra Beach in the north and Barrack Point to Shellharbour in the South. The project involves the construction of a concrete bridge over Elliott Lake and additional bike path construction to link the new bridge to the existing bike path on the north side of the lake. The completed bike path will run along 12 kilometres of coastline from the northern boundary of Shellharbour LGA at Central Park at Oak Flats, along Lake Illawarra to Shellharbour Village in the south. The project will provide additional seating along the route and new bike racks will be installed in the vicinity of Shellharbour Village.
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