## **News Release**





## Minister Geoff Brock

Minister for Regional Development Minister for Local Government

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## Fund My Idea West Coast now open

The West Coast round of Fund My Idea is now open for submissions from the Ceduna, Elliston, Streaky Bay and Wudinna council areas.

Regional Development Minister Geoff Brock said ideas were now being sought for community projects which will provide significant benefit to the West Coast area.

"We're looking for project ideas that will contribute to the economic and social needs of the West Coast community," Mr Brock said.

"If you have an idea for a community project, now's the time to have your say and put forward a submission.

"Project proposals can be submitted by anyone with an idea—that means individuals, businesses, schools, incorporated associations, local governing authorities or Regional Development Australia bodies.

"Ideas will be accepted until 5pm Monday 22 December.

"All accepted submissions will be available for public voting from 4pm Friday 9 January until 5pm Monday 2 February.

"Once voting is complete, the top three ideas will be assessed for potential funding to share in the \$50,000 available for the area," Mr Brock said.

"The 'Fund My Idea' Country Cabinet Program is part of the enhanced \$15 million a year Regional Development Fund I negotiated as part of his agreement with the Premier.

"\$150,000 is available annually over four years - \$50,000 for each area hosting a Country Cabinet meeting - with three meetings to be held each year.

"This will be the final round of Fund My Idea for 2014 with innovative projects suggested and voted for earlier this year by the communities of the Riverland and the Adelaide Hills, Mount Barker and Alexandrina areas.

"If you're not part of this round, you haven't missed out – Fund My Idea will roll out to other council areas across the State over the next three years," Mr Brock said.

For further details on how to submit a community project idea, visit <a href="http://yoursay.sa.gov.au/fundmyidea/west-coast">http://yoursay.sa.gov.au/fundmyidea/west-coast</a>. For anyone having difficulty accessing the website, participating councils can assist.