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\$400,000 grant for Quorn motel and function centre

A new \$2.4 million motel and function centre in Quorn will create jobs for the region and high quality accommodation for visitors to the Flinders Ranges.

Regional Development Minister Geoff Brock said the project – to be undertaken by Far North family business Rowesa Pty Ltd – is being supported by a \$400,000 State Government Regional Development Fund grant.

“The development of the Great Northern Lodge, a 4.5 star motel and function centre in the heart of Quorn, will offer high grade accommodation and facilities for business and leisure travellers to the region,” Mr Brock said.

“This project will create eight full time jobs by mid-2018.

“Quorn sits at a major crossroads in South Australia and is within an easy day’s drive from Adelaide making it a natural stopping place for tourists.

“The new facility will be capable of catering for coach tours, conferences and study groups.

“This will increase and diversify the region’s visitor clientele and reduce the impact of seasonal lows on the local economy,” Mr Brock said.

“One of the State Government’s economic priorities is ‘South Australia – a growing destination choice for international and domestic travellers’, and this project meets the brief of this perfectly.”

Rowesa’s Sally Brown said the new complex would be prominently located on the main street in Quorn, complementing the company’s existing business, ‘Emily’s Bistro’.

“The Great Northern Lodge will offer 22 self-contained units and 10 motel units, along with a function centre with conference facilities, a common-area outdoor zone with BBQ, pizza oven and fire pit, and a native orchard and kitchen garden,” Ms Brown said

“The RDF grant means we’ll be able to construct our new facilities in their entirety without needing to phase the development, bringing benefit to the Flinders Ranges area sooner.”

The State Government’s Regional Development Fund drives economic growth and productivity by offering grants to boost investment in regional infrastructure and the creation of jobs and new opportunities for regional South Australia.

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