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Fund My Idea for Port Augusta and Northern Flinders closing soon

Residents in Port Augusta and the Northern Flinders Ranges have until Wednesday week to put forward local proposals for *Fund My Idea* following this week's Country Cabinet meeting in the region.

Fund My Idea is a State Government grants program offering \$50,000 for projects in a region hosting a Country Cabinet meeting.

The current round takes in the Port Augusta City Council and the Flinders Ranges Council areas, along with communities in the far north east, including Leigh Creek, Yunta, Marree and Innamincka.

"*Fund My Idea* is a grants program that's completely community focussed," Regional Development Minister Geoff Brock said.

"Ideas are put forward by the community and people living in the region get to have their say on which projects to fund.

"It's a great way to support local initiatives that benefit their community."

Mr Brock encouraged community groups in the region to put forward ideas.

"Every region the Cabinet has visited has come up with ideas displaying creativity and ingenuity in the projects they've put forward," he said.

"Ideas funded through previous rounds have included a community gym in Burra, a project to teach digital journalism skills to young Aboriginals living on the West Coast, and a mountain bike trail extension in the Adelaide Hills.

"I look forward to seeing more exciting ideas put forward from Port Augusta and the Northern Flinders Ranges."

Community groups have until 5pm, Wednesday 16 March to lodge their ideas.

Voting is open to the public from Monday 21 March to Monday 11 April.

For further information: <http://yoursay.sa.gov.au/decisions/fund-my-idea-port-augusta-and-northern-flinders-ranges/about>