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CALL TO JOIN NSW REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUSTRALIA - NSW

The Parliamentary Secretary for Infrastructure and Regional Development Maxine McKew and the NSW Minister for Regional Development, Phil Costa today called on people in regional NSW with an interest in building the local economy to consider applying for a job at Regional Development Australia - NSW.

“We’re looking for people on the ground who understand regional NSW and want to play an active role in helping business and communities in regional NSW,” Mr Costa said.

“There are 14 Executive Officer positions available, one for each of the Regional Development Australia committees across NSW.

“In addition to ensuring their committee’s work runs smoothly, the Executive Officer will have the opportunity to report on regional issues that impact on economic development.

“The Executive Officer will also provide input and make recommendations on projects.”

Ms McKew said the RDA committee will consult with the community and working with business and industry to develop the region’s economy and create new jobs.

“We are asking the RDA Committee to help drive change and development in regional NSW through its involvement in regional planning, community engagement, promotion of government programs and other whole-of-government activities,” Ms McKew said.

“It will also focus on sustainability and climate change issues including the impact of drought and floods.

“Executive officers for each committee will play a central role in managing, coordinating and reporting on this type of work. They’ll need to have a broad knowledge of business and community issues so they can work well with the committee members,” she said.

The new executive officers will be expected to commence work at the start of 2010.

For an information package on the Executive Officer position, please contact Melissa Green melissa.green@business.nsw.gov.au at Industry & Investment NSW. The closing date for applications is Wednesday, November 4, 2009.

Regional Development Australia – NSW is supported by the NSW and Australian Governments. For more information on RDA NSW, go to www.rda.gov.au

The 14 RDA committees are:

- Greater Sydney
- Hunter
- Illawarra
- Central Coast
- Mid North Coast
- Northern Rivers
- Northern Inland
- Orana
- Central West
- Far West
- Southern Inland
- South Coast
- Murray
- Riverina