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ITEM 32 - FIXING COUNTRY ROADS PROGRAM

REPORT IN BRIEF

Reason For Report	To seek Council's resolve to participate in a procurement process for the inspection and condition assessment of bridges.
Policy Implications	Nil
Budget Implications	\$405,000 of extra funding
IPR Linkage	1.1.4.a Local road bridge maintenance undertaken
Annexures	Nil
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RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council participate in the regional procurement process for Inspection and Condition Assessment of Bridges, being conducted by Centroc on behalf of member councils.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Précis

This report seeks Council's resolve to participate in a regional procurement process for the Inspection and Condition Assessment of Bridges.

Background

Centroc has recently been successful in securing 100% funding through the Regional Bridge and Route Load Assessments Stream under Round 3 of the NSW Government's Fixing Country Roads Program. The grant is for a total of \$1,087,000 from the State's dedicated Infrastructure fund, Restart NSW.

The funding is on behalf of 9 participating member councils (Bathurst, Cabonne, Cowra, Forbes, Lachlan, Oberon, Parkes, Upper Lachlan and Weddin) for the inspection and condition assessment of 145 bridges and culverts across the region.

The breakdown of funding is as follows:

Council	# bridges	\$ funding
Bathurst	7	\$52,500
Blayney	0	\$0

Cabonne	55	\$405,000
Cowra	6	\$45,000
CTW	0	\$0
Forbes	24	\$187,500
Hilltops	0	\$0
Lachlan	9	\$67,500
Lithgow	0	\$0
Oberon	5	\$37,500
Orange	0	\$0
Parkes	20	\$150,000
Upper Lachlan	17	\$127,500
Weddin	2	\$15,000
Total	145	\$1,087,500

Procurement and Contractual Arrangements

As Centroc is a Section 355 Committee of Forbes Shire Council, the Deed of Agreement with the NSW Government has been signed by Forbes Shire Council on behalf of the region.

The procurement process will be conducted by Centroc on behalf of participating member councils. Each Council will enter into an individual contract with the preferred provider.

Councils will be required to provide evidence to Centroc of the work being completed prior to Restart NSW releasing the funds for each milestone. Once the funding has been received by Restart NSW, it will then be distributed to member councils accordingly for their portion of the project.

Council contribution

Centroc manages the procurement process including all costs of advertising and tender assessment and takes a management fee from the supplier to cover these costs, which council is not responsible for.

Council should also give consideration to future compliance with the contract.

Conclusion

It is recommended that Council participate in the regional procurement process for the Inspection and Condition Assessment of Bridges.