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LOCAL LAND SERVICES DELIVERING FOR REGIONAL NSW

With the new regional service delivery organisation Local Land Services this month marking 100 days of operation, NSW Minister for Primary Industries, Katrina Hodgkinson, has thanked staff, board members and ratepayers who have participated in the development and transition of the new regional service delivery organisation.

Ms Hodgkinson said Local Land Services has revolutionised the way regional services are delivered in NSW, and is the biggest reform of its kind in seven decades.

“This new organisation is already delivering real results for productive agriculture, natural resources, biosecurity and communities across rural and regional NSW,” Ms Hodgkinson said.

“While it has inherited functions from previous bodies, including some agricultural advisory services from the Department of Primary Industries, Local Land Services is a new organisation with a new culture and new way of doing things.

“More than 800 staff members across NSW have taken up the challenge of ensuring the organisation is bedded down and delivering for farmers and land managers.”

Ms Hodgkinson said now the 11 regional Local Land Services boards are fully in place, community consultation is underway to develop Local Strategic Plans.

“While Local Land Services operates under a State-wide strategic direction, the 11 regional boards will set their own priorities and deliver a range of services that best suit their regional needs,” Ms Hodgkinson said.

“Local Land Services boards can appoint and terminate staff, form partnerships with other organisations and are responsible for their own budgets.

“They are unashamedly less about bureaucracy and more about customer service, with the ability to determine regional budget allocations, appoint staff and deliver services of value to farmers and land managers in their regions.

“Local Land Services officers deliver on-farm support and advisory services, such as livestock and pasture management advice and information, and continue to work closely with the Department of Primary Industries to ensure extension of research and development.

“I urge any farmer, land manager or ratepayer in NSW who wants to have a say in the strategic direction of their regional Local Land Services to contact their local board.”

To contact your Local Land Services – or for more information about the agricultural, biosecurity, natural resources and other extension services the organisation provides – visit www.lls.nsw.gov.au or phone 1300 795 299.