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REBUILDING NSW: \$300 MILLION RESERVED FOR NEW HOSPITAL AT ROUSE HILL

The massive health infrastructure boom in NSW will continue under a re-elected Baird Government, after Premier Mike Baird and Health Minister Jillian Skinner today announced a reservation of \$300 million for the construction of a new hospital at Rouse Hill.

Planning for the new hospital will commence in the next term if the Baird Government is returned on March 28, with the exact site to be determined as part of the planning process.

Funding for the new hospital has been reserved from the Rebuilding NSW Hospitals Fund, which will allow an additional \$1 billion to be invested in health, on top of a planned record infrastructure program.

Mr Baird and Mrs Skinner were accompanied by Member for Hawkesbury (and Liberal candidate for Castle Hill) Ray Williams, Member for Riverstone Kevin Conolly and Member for Baulkham Hills David Elliott as they made the announcement in the heart of Rouse Hill today.

“A re-elected Baird Government will deliver better access to world class health care for the people of North West Sydney with construction of new hospital at Rouse Hill,” Mr Baird said.

“We know that this growing region deserves a first class hospital and a re-elected Baird Government has the commitment and capacity to deliver it.

“Planning for the new hospital will commence in the next term of a re-elected Baird Government to ensure that hospital services keep pace with patient demand.

“This is a hospital that Labor won’t, and frankly can’t, deliver. Having ignored North West Sydney for 16 years, they still have no plans, and no funding, to provide the health care this important region needs.”

Through Rebuilding NSW - the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to transform the State by investing \$20 billion from a 49 per cent long-term lease of the State’s electricity distribution and transmission businesses - a re-elected Baird Government will have the capacity to provide an additional \$1 billion in health funding, including \$300 million for a new hospital at Rouse Hill.

Mrs Skinner said the new hospital will include an emergency department, operating theatres, inpatient wards and other services to be determined by a rigorous planning process.

“This hospital will be a game-changer for young families, the elderly and anyone who will benefit from having an emergency department and acute hospital services on their door step,” Mrs Skinner said.

“Labor neglected health for 16 years and still has no plan to meet growing patient demand in areas such as Rouse Hill and the wider North West Sydney region.

“Only a re-elected Baird Government can be trusted to deliver world class health care services where they are needed most.”

The Baird Government has a proven record of delivering health infrastructure from one end of the state to the other. The \$300 million commitment made in Rouse Hill today joins a suite of planned and current hospital upgrades across NSW, including:

- Armidale Hospital - \$60 million;
- Blacktown Mt Druitt Hospital - \$400 million;
- Bowral Hospital - \$50 million;
- Broken Hill Hospital - \$30 million;
- Byron Central Hospital - \$89 million;
- Cooma Hospital - \$10 million;
- Coffs Harbour Hospital - \$156 million;
- Dubbo Hospital - \$150 million;
- Gosford Hospital - \$368 million;
- Goulburn Hospital - \$120 million;
- Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai Hospital - \$200 million;
- Inverell Hospital - \$30 million;
- Lismore Hospital - \$180 million;
- Macksville Hospital - \$50 million;
- Manning Hospital - \$20 million;
- Mudgee Hospital - \$60 million;
- Northern Beaches Hospital - \$600 million;
- Port Macquarie Hospital - \$15 million;
- Prince of Wales Hospital - \$500 million;
- Ryde Hospital - \$9 million;
- St George Hospital - \$307 million;
- Sutherland Hospital - \$62 million;
- The Tweed Hospital - \$48 million;
- Wagga Wagga Base Hospital - \$170 million;
- Westmead Hospital - \$900 million; and
- Wyong Hospital - \$200 million.

Along with the new hospital at Rouse Hill, the redevelopment of Campbelltown Hospital and an increase in paediatric capacity in South West Sydney will also be funded from the Rebuilding NSW Hospitals Fund and are on top of the \$5 billion health infrastructure program to be delivered under a re-elected Baird Government. This investment will help make our health system the strongest in the country.

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