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NEW LIFE FOR OLD EXPORT ABATTOIR

Deniliquin could see up to 460 full time jobs created over the next five years with the announcement that the local abattoir will be refurbished and reopened, with support from the NSW Government.

Deputy Premier and Minister for Regional Infrastructure and Services Andrew Stoner said the NSW Government has been working with Australian Meat Group Pty Ltd on a major investment plan for the facility.

“This multi-million dollar plan for the abattoir will breathe new life into the community, with the facility likely to become the largest employer in Deniliquin,” Mr Stoner said.

Member for Murrumbidgee Adrian Piccoli visited Deniliquin today to make the announcement with representatives of the Australian Meat Group.

Mr Piccoli said the facility had been out of operation for around seven years and would need significant investment for upgrades to meet best practice standards.

“This will allow the production of export quality meat in a safer work environment,” Mr Piccoli said.

“The refurbishment costs will be significant, but it is the very positive impact this project will have on the region that supports the NSW Government’s decision to provide assistance to the Australian Meat Group to re-open the plant.

“By investing in up-to-date equipment at the Deniliquin abattoir, Australian Meat Group will be able to further improve their efficiency and to provide the full range of cuts.”

Member for Murray-Darling John Williams welcomed the Australian Meat Group to the Southern Riverina, saying the company also has strong relationships with major domestic and international markets.

“The NSW Government’s Office of Regional Development has been working with Australian Meat Group to secure this great deal for Deniliquin, which will add to the diversity of employment opportunities available both directly and indirectly in the region,” Mr Williams said.

“In the first year, it is anticipated that jobs for up to 130 full time equivalent staff will be created. This is expected to increase to up to 460 full time equivalent staff by year five of the project.”

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