

Media Release

Andrew Broad

Member for Mallee

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WEATHER RADAR UPGRADES IN THE FORECAST

Federal Member for Mallee, Andrew Broad says he is looking forward to upgrades to the Mildura Weather Radar upon completion of the Wimmera Weather Radar this year. Mr Broad says while the Wimmera radar is the first step, Mildura will be next.

“The Mildura weather radar is one of the oldest in Australia, and for a horticulture region that contributes \$5.3 billion to the Australian economy, we need it to be in tip top condition,”

“A real-time forecast is priceless for farmers, it helps them adapt and prepare for what’s ahead whether that is rain, hail or shine,” Mr Broad said.

Mr Broad has recently written to the Environment Minister Josh Frydenberg about the need for upgrades to the radar in the near future.

“For farmers in our patch to be able to apply cutting edge technology to their crops and farms they need the assistance of reliable and real-time forecasting.”

The Wimmera weather radar is on track to being completed in the first half of 2018.

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