



# TOM VENNING MP

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## Member for Grey



## MEDIA RELEASE

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### ADVOCACY DELIVERS DISASTER RELIEF FUNDING FOR MOUNT REMARKABLE

Following sustained advocacy from Federal Member for Grey Tom Venning MP and diligent assessment work by local government, the District Council of Mount Remarkable has officially been included in the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) following recent severe weather. Mr Venning was contacted directly by the Office of the Hon Kristy McBain MP to confirm the Council has been granted Category B assistance, unlocking vital federal and state support to repair an estimated \$2.3 million in damage to the local road network, culverts, and floodways.

#### Quotes attributable to Tom Venning MP, Member for Grey:

*“I was incredibly pleased when my office was contacted directly by the Office of the Hon Kristy McBain MP with the news that the District Council of Mount Remarkable has been officially added to the disaster relief funding list.”*

*“When the initial funding was announced and Mount Remarkable was left out, I made it a priority to follow up directly with Minister McBain, proving that keeping the pressure on and fighting for regional South Australia delivers real outcomes.”*

*“Securing this Category B assistance means the Council is now eligible to lodge claims for counter-disaster operations and the reconstruction of essential public assets, lifting a massive financial burden off the shoulders of the local community.”*

*“Now that eligibility is confirmed, I encourage the relevant departments to ensure this funding flows as quickly as possible so reinstatement works can begin and safe access can be fully restored for residents, businesses, and visitors.”*

*“I am now fully focussed on working with the new Malinauskas Government to seek exceptional circumstances funding for local government areas who are unable to fund 25% co-contribution under the current Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements.”*

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