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FUNDING FOR MT ARTHUR RESERVE

The NSW Government has responded to an urgent call for help from the Mount Arthur Reserve Trust.

Minister for Lands, Tony Kelly, today announced he has approved $33,500 towards the cost of replacing its 4WD.

“The trust made urgent representations for assistance to replace the vehicle which is used to cover what is a large reserve spanning 1,300 hectares near Wellington,” the Minister said.

“The vehicle will be used by the Trust in its management of weed control, trail maintenance, fire management, fence and facility maintenance, garbage removal and maintenance of rehabilitation areas.

“Mt Arthur Reserve features 35 kilometres of walking tracks, horse trails and fire trails, and is responsible for flora and fauna conservation because it boasts a wide variety of native Australian plants.”

Country Labor MLC for Orange, Amanda Fazio, said the funding was made available through the $13 million Public Reserves Management Fund (PRMF), administered by the Land and Property Management Authority.

“This is another example of the Government’s commitment to ensuring Crown parks and reserves are open for community use and funds are available for ongoing management, maintenance and upgrading,” Ms Fazio said.