$10,000 FOR NATIONAL SURFING RESERVES PROGRAM

A $10,000 grant has been allocated to the National Surfing Reserves Committee so it can continue its work in securing legal protection for popular surf beaches in NSW.

Minister for Lands, Tony Kelly, said the committee has been very successful in establishing eight surfing reserves in NSW in recent years.

“The most recent was the Manly-Freshwater surfing reserve established last September,” the Minister said.

The other seven national surfing reserves in NSW are at:

- North Narrabeen;
- Angourie;
- Lennox;
- Crescent Head;
- Cronulla Beaches;
- Merewether; and
- Killalea.

Mr Kelly said the Land and Property Management Authority works closely with the National Surfing Reserves Committee to create surfing reserves under the Crown Lands Act.

“This provides the legal protection to ensure surfing is not threatened by any other activities or developments at these beaches,” the Minister said.

“The surfing reserves initiative recognises the importance of our coastline for recreation and the cultural significance of surfing.

“The grant is provided under the Public Reserves Management Fund (PRMF) which provides money for the care and improvement of public reserves throughout the state.”