



NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE

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Widgelli-Wumbulgal RFS Brigade welcomes new station

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The NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area (MIA) District is today celebrating the opening of a new fire station for Widgelli-Wumbulgal Brigade.

Acting Area Commander South Western, Supt Paul Jones, joined State Member for Murray, Helen Dalton MP, Council staff and other guests at a special event to mark the station's official opening and thank volunteers for their service to the community.

"This excellent new station built at a cost of \$240,000 is a modern, standalone, fit for purpose building that is greatly welcomed by the volunteers and the communities they serve," Supt Jones said.

"The new station has space for two tankers, as well as a training room, amenities room, storeroom and kitchen. There is also a concrete pad for training and washing trucks.

"Before this new station was built, the brigade's tankers were stored at a neighbouring properties and brigade meetings were held in members' sheds and garages, so I am certain this new building is greatly welcomed by all and will assist with vehicle housing, training and the fighting of fires locally. It will also be available for other brigades in the area for training purposes."

Supt Jones said the NSW RFS is committed to providing volunteer firefighters with the equipment, infrastructure and resources they need to carry out the important work of protecting their local communities from fire and a diverse array of incidents.

"I would like to take this time to praise all our volunteers for their ongoing efforts each and every day, particularly when dealing with emergencies here in the MIA.

"We also thank the families, friends, employers and colleagues of these and all of our volunteers. We know it takes their ongoing support and patience which in turn enables NSW Rural Fire Service volunteers to do what they do to save lives and property.



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