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PLAN OF MANAGEMENT ADOPTED FOR HILLSTON COMMON

Minister for Lands, Tony Kelly, has announced the adoption of a plan of management for the Hillston Common in the NSW western division.

Mr Kelly said the plan has been adopted following a public exhibition period last year.

“This plan aims to guide the future use, management and development of the Hillston Common and will provide a framework for public access and use.

“The Hillston Common has the potential to provide a wider range of public uses, such as fishing, camping, educational, conservation and cultural purposes, in addition to the traditional uses that have occurred in the past, such as stock agistment, cultivation and firewood collection.

“Last year a number of meetings were held to discuss the future of this area and the community has made it clear that they embrace the idea of being able to use the common for a variety of purposes.

“This is a great example of a positive approach that will greatly improve the management of critically located Crown land for the benefit of the community,” Mr Kelly said.

The plan of management will initially be administered by staff from the western region of Lands but it is foreshadowed that a trust or committee will be established to manage the Common in the longer term.

The draft plan will be available on the Department of Lands website at www.lands.nsw.gov.au.

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