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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **\$762,000 UPGRADE FOR GOSFORD GREYHOUND RACETRACK**

Greyhound racing will return to the Central Coast thanks to a \$762,000 upgrade of the Gosford greyhound track funded by the NSW Government.

Minister for Racing Paul Toole visited Gosford Greyhounds today to announce the project, the first under the \$30 million, five-year program to improve safety for dogs.

"The NSW Liberals & Nationals Government is securing the future of greyhound racing on the Central Coast through this project," Mr Toole said.

The funding announcement will pave the way for greyhound racing to return to Gosford after racing at the track was suspended in February due to safety concerns.

It will include remediation of the track, installation of a new safety rail, an upgraded irrigation system and a variable speed motor lure.

"These innovative improvements will make Gosford one of the safest tracks in Australia and enable the sport to grow on the Central Coast," Mr Toole said.

Greyhound Racing NSW CEO Tony Mestrov welcomed the funding announcement.

"GRNSW worked collaboratively with Gosford Greyhounds to request the funds through the Government's grant program to secure this great outcome for the racing community," Mr Mestrov said

"This project will ensure that greyhound racing can grow on the Central Coast while at the same time ensuring the welfare of dogs and the sustainability of the sport."

The Government's Greyhound Racing Capital Grants Program funds projects to improve animal welfare at venues across the State.

Greyhound Racing NSW is developing design standards for its racecourses based on research by the University of Technology, Sydney.

Further funding from the \$30 million package will be announced during the year.

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