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ON DEMAND SERVICES GO PERMANENT

All seven of the NSW Government's remaining On Demand pilot services in rural and regional NSW will be made permanent from 1 July 2022 providing communities with more transport options.

Minister for Regional Transport and Roads Sam Faraway said the announcement was a major win for regional NSW commuters who will have improved connections to transport hubs, shopping centres and other townships.

"We have been trialling the On Demand pilots over the past three years with more than 1.1 million trips taken by customers to date," Mr Faraway said.

"On Demand means people can access public transport close to home to get them to appointments in a more flexible and convenient way, which is important living in regional areas.

"The NSW Government is securing a brighter future for NSW families by strengthening public transport services ensuring they're better and closer to home."

Member for Albury Justin Clancy said he welcomed the news that the Burrumbuttock and Holbrook On Demand services were here to stay.

"The Pilot has been immensely popular in these areas. Since the trial began in 2019, 27,600 trips have been taken by customers," said Mr Clancy.

"Regional Buses do a wonderful job in running the services, connecting Burrumbuttock, Walla Walla and Jindera to Albury, and Holbrook to Albury and Wagga Wagga.

"It's great that the NSW Government is continually exploring new and innovative ways to provide public transport options that meet the community's needs in the region."

Regional Buses will be upgrading its fleet later this year and two new buses will replace the existing On Demand vehicles.

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Seven On Demand services will continue in the following locations:

- **LiveBetter On Demand, in the Far West** (run by LiveBetter Services) - Ivanhoe to Hay and Collarenbri to Narrabri
- **B-ConX On Demand, in the Northern Rivers** (run by Northern Rivers Buslines) - Alstonville/Wollongbar and Chilcotts Grass/Goonellabah to Ballina and Lismore
- **Woopi Connect On Demand, in the northern beaches of Coffs Harbour** (run by Forest CDC) - Zone 1: Woolgoolga, Safety Beach, Mullaway, and, Zone 2: Arrawarra Headland, Arrawarra, Corindi Beach, Red Rock
- **Flexibus On Demand, in the Sapphire Coast** (run by Sapphire Coast Buslines) - Three services: Bega, Merimbula, Pambula, Tura Beach and Eden
- **Rixons On Demand, in the South Coast to Canberra** (run by Rixons Buses) - Between Milton and Tuross Head to Canberra via Batemans Bay
- **Regional Buses On Demand, in the Riverina region** (run by Regional Buses) - Burrumbuttock, Walla Walla, Jindera to Albury
- **Regional Buses On Demand, in the Riverina region** (run by Regional Buses) - Holbrook to Albury, Holbrook to Wagga Wagga, Henty to Albury