

Brisbane Olympic and Paralympic Games Arrangements Amendment Bill 2024

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The Olympics would mean substantial increases in visits and tourism to our Region. Currently the Olympic Organising committee are considering the Wyaralong Dam for the sport of rowing. Also being considered is the village of Kooralbyn for housing the athletes, teams and support personnel during the events. The town of Beaudesert would attract international visitors and the surrounding tourism venues would benefit immensely from the events. Our Region is very beautiful and was listed in Lonely Planet guide as one of the 10 places to visit in 2022. It is rural in nature with agriculture and agribusiness being the main economic driver in the area. This means that the economy is very reliant on the weather. Another industry that is largely untapped is tourism. We would like funding for the facilities at Wyaralong dam as currently there is a greenfield site that requires investment. The village of Kooralbyn would also seek some funding to provide state of the art facilities for the housing of the athletes and support personnel during the games.