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CHAFFEY LEARNING EXCHANGE PROJECT

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"The Chaffey Learning Exchange will connect education and training providers, researchers, employers and entrepreneurs to reposition the Riverland and Murraylands region as a centre for quality education to support a future with uncertain access to water."

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The Chaffey Learning Exchange aims to significantly expand the education sector of the economy within the South Australia River Murray Region. The Project will support increased engagement between the education sectors (schools, vocational and higher education), industry, researchers and local government. It will increase training and employment options for school leavers and mature learners to advance education, employment and population growth across the region.

The Chaffey Learning Exchange aims to develop the quality of the regional education sector to world class standards which will attract national and overseas students while retaining and developing regional participation and economic growth.

Based on two years of intensive planning and partnerships, Chaffey Learning Exchange has received SA River Murray Sustainability Program and Regional Development Innovation Funding.

During 2015 and 2016, the Chaffey Learning Exchange will establish strong pathway and delivery networks between education, business and research that will in turn deliver online courses, specialised curriculum and agri-research, and entrepreneurship networks to generate innovation and diversification.

The Project has four key themes:
1. Development of land management capabilities responsive to opportunities from the Dining Boom and climate adaptation
2. Integrated education curriculum and courses (including co-learning hubs to support online learning) that will create local career pathways, address labour market shortages, build capacity within the region, and position regional education as a viable export
3. Entrepreneurship hubs to drive innovation
4. An applied research hub to inform economic development

The Chaffey Learning Exchange will use and develop the latest learning technologies to increase student engagement in post-secondary education (both school leavers and career developers) while providing highest quality local support for online learning.

An important role for the Chaffey Learning Exchange will be to reposition the region as a world class centre of education and research. This will assist in retaining workers who would normally leave the region to pursue education or careers, and to attract national and overseas students and researchers who will bring new ideas and investment and contribute to a revitalised and energetic economy.
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