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Wattle Vale Hard Rock Quarry approved by JRPP

A new hard rock quarry in Glen Innes can be built following approval from the independent Northern Joint Regional Planning Panel (JRPP).

The panel Chair, Garry West, said Wattle Vale Hard Rock Quarry will produce up to 300,000 tonnes per year of hard rock material to be used for the upgrade and maintenance of local roads and for the construction of nearby wind farm projects.

“Renewable energy is a growing industry in the Glen Innes Severn region, with three wind farms and one solar farm having been recently approved,” Mr West said.

“The quarry will be conveniently located to provide material needed to construct the approved wind farms in the area and will ultimately extend the life of the existing Glen Innes Quarry.

“The quarry will also provide \$500,000 to the local economy through its construction and will continue to provide up to eight full-time jobs once operational.”

The JRPP has approved the application, subject to conditions.

The quarry is expected to open later this year and will be in operation for at least 30 years. Quarry operations would be carried out in stages and in response to demand.

More information on the regional panels can be found at www.jrpp.nsw.gov.au

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