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REX ANNOUNCES COMMUNITY FARE FOR NARRANDERA / LEETON TO SYDNEY

Regional Express (Rex) and the Narrandera and Leeton Shire Councils have entered into a five year partnership agreement through until 30 June 2023. The partnership agreement will see the introduction of the Rex Community Fare scheme between Narrandera-Leeton and Sydney.

The agreement will see the introduction of a \$129.00 "Rex Community Fare" which will be available on 25% of total seats between Narrandera-Leeton and Sydney for advanced bookings of at least 30 days prior to departure. In addition, all remaining seats 24 hours prior to departure will be available at the Community Fare (Rex Promo) level.

Warrick Lodge, Rex General Manager Network Strategy & Sales said, "Narrandera – Leeton is the 14th regional community in the Rex network to receive the successful Rex Community Fare scheme following the recent introduction of the scheme on the Griffith to Sydney route".

"I would like to thank Narrandera and Leeton Shire Councils who have always valued the essential regional air services provided by Rex, this partnership agreement is a continuation of the good working relationship that has existed over the past 16 years."

Narrandera Mayor Cr Neville Kschenka said of the agreement, "It is important that Narrandera and Leeton residents have the opportunity to enjoy the same fare options as many other REX customers and the signing of this agreement will ensure that Industry and travellers in general can benefit from the offer now available through this new scheme".

"The timing of this agreement is very appropriate, especially as Narrandera Shire is on the cusp of several exciting new developments that will attract new airline customers."

"Our Shires have long been partnered with Regional Express and this agreement only strengthens that partnership and their commitment to our region."

Leeton Mayor Cr Paul Maytom has also welcomed the agreement with Rex and is sure the community will show support by choosing to fly with the local airline now that fares are more competitive.

"This agreement is a win-win. Rex will have greater certainty about their forward costs locally and our residents will have access to more affordable fares - something they've been wanting for some time."

"We value our regular Rex flights in and out of the Narrandera-Leeton Airport and the new community fare should see passenger numbers increase which will, in turn, help secure the long term viability of this important service" Mayor Cr Paul Maytom said.

The Rex Community Fare (Rex Promo) is available for purchase via www.rex.com.au.

Regional Express (Rex) is Australia's largest independent regional airline operating a fleet of more than 50 Saab 340 aircraft on some 1,500 weekly flights to 60 destinations throughout all states in Australia. In addition to the regional airline Regional Express, the **Rex Group** comprises wholly owned subsidiaries **Pel-Air Aviation** (air freight and charter operator) and the **Australian Airline Pilot Academy**.

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