



Sid Sidebottom MP ... for a fair go in Braddon

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A trip back in mining time for West Coast tourists

TOURISTS to the West Coast will soon encounter the ultimate mining heritage experience, thanks to more than \$430,000 from the Rudd Government.

A new "Living in the Wild World – Mining Heritage" project will be developed by the Cradle Coast Authority which has received \$432,250 from the Rudd Government's TQUAL program.

"This is very exciting news for the West Coast and its rich mining heritage," Federal Member for Braddon Sid Sidebottom said.

Mr Sidebottom said the project would be based around a series of visual and audio presentations.

"This project is really all about offering a sense of what life was like for miners and their families throughout the past 120 years on the West Coast.

"The project will develop a network to connect visitors to the region's mining heritage, particularly highlighting some of the more noteworthy characters of the time, as well as the harsh environment.

"I have no doubt this experience will be enjoyable and informative for interstate and overseas visitors, as well as Tasmanians," he said.

The TQUAL grants program is a highly competitive merit based funding program that aims to stimulate sustainable growth in the Australian tourism industry by supporting the development of innovative, high quality tourism products.

"The project will add to already well established tourism market on the West Coast, and bring additional economic benefits to the region," Mr Sidebottom said.

Mr Sidebottom congratulated all those who worked to secure funding for the project.

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