

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace  
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
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**Senator McKenzie provided in writing.**

**Question**

**Regional Jobs Plan for the Hume**

Could Skills Australia outline what work has been done to date on the Regional Jobs Plan for the Hume?

**Answer**

The Regional Education, Skills and Jobs Plan for the Hume region is being developed. The Regional Education, Skills and Jobs Coordinator is examining data and complementary stakeholder plans for the region. They are also consulting with stakeholders, including Regional Development Australia Hume, to identify priorities, goals and strategies for the region.

The Regional Education, Skills and Jobs Coordinator has also been working with local stakeholders including state government agencies, local government, education, employment and training providers such as TAFE, Local Learning and Employment Networks, Group Training Organisations and the Australian Council for Further Education providers.

The Regional Education, Skills and Jobs Coordinator for Hume has commenced duties on several committees developing strategies to address particular issues within the Hume region, for example the Advancing Country Towns project through the Victorian Department of Planning and Community Development.