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## Media Release

### New Central Coast bus contracts to improve reliability

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The NSW Government has completed a tender process for buses servicing the Central Coast.

Current operator Busways has been awarded the contract for region six, which includes Gosford, Wyong and Tuggerah, reaching north to Ravensdale, west to Kulnura, south to Patonga and east to Ourimbah.

Central Coast locally owned and run operator, Red Bus Services, has joined forces with new partner Comfort DelGro Cabcharge (CDC) and they have been awarded the region seven contract, which covers The Entrance, Wyong and Gosford.

Member for The Entrance David Mehan said “I’m sure my community will be pleased that long time local operator Red Bus will continue as our local bus operator.”

“It’s great to see a local company given the opportunity to serve their community and support local jobs.”

Member for Gosford Liesl Tesch said that while it was a positive move in the right direction, the roll-out of the contracts has had some challenges.

“In the future we need to ensure that communities, bus operators and workers have a say in how we can deliver better buses for the Central Coast.”

“Local bus services should serve the local community, and I’m looking forward to working with these new operators, Central Coast locals, and the newly established Bus Taskforce to ensure the best possible deal for our community.”

The new Transport Minister Jo Haylen announced the Bus Industry Taskforce on 1 May to understand how bus services across NSW can be improved.

The Taskforce will look at better contract and performance management, better service planning, as well as the routes that passengers and communities want, and how to develop a better industry that is able to attract more drivers.

People can find out more at [Bus Industry Taskforce | Transport for NSW](#)