

# Mobile Coverage Programme Discussion Paper

## Submission Cover Sheet

### Submission Information

This cover sheet should be attached to submissions made to the Department of Communications in relation to the Mobile Coverage Programme Discussion Paper.

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#### Submission Instructions

Submissions are to be made by **5:00pm (AEST) Friday 28 February 2014**.

Where possible, submissions should be lodged electronically, preferably in Microsoft Word or other text-based formats via the email address [mobilecoverage@communications.gov.au](mailto:mobilecoverage@communications.gov.au)

Alternatively, submissions can be sent to the postal address below (to arrive by the due date):

The Manager  
Mobile Coverage Programme  
Department of Communications  
GPO Box 2154  
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**Cabonne Council LGA in central west NSW is a large rural based shire encompassing an area of 6,108 sq km. It shares its borders with Orange, Dubbo, Blayney, Forbes, Cowra, Bathurst & Parkes.**

**Mobile coverage is generally ok on the highways and most regional roads and towns/urban areas, however the substantial rural areas inland from the highways and regional roads receive very patchy service – particularly in the undulating areas.**

**The mapping of black spot areas is a project we would like to undertake but we would need additional resources to do this properly. We would encourage the government to make funding available for the purpose of mapping the considerable black spot areas within the shire.**