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Boost to Green Skills and Student Places at Box Hill TAFE

The Rudd Government will invest \$15 million in a new Integrated Technology Hub at Box Hill TAFE, which will boost green skills and create an additional 3,103 student places, Federal Member for Chisholm Anna Burke said today.

The Hub will provide Box Hill TAFE with a facility to train graduates in simulated workplace environments in the building and electro-mechanical industries.

It will offer programs incorporating a range of green skills to produce graduates who can go on to introduce green practices into existing trade areas or into new related areas.

Ms Burke said the new building will be a model of environmental sustainability, with a green star accreditation rating.

“This is fantastic news for Box Hill TAFE who continue to lead the way in training related to green skills,” Ms Burke said.

“This is also great news for the Box Hill community - the new Hub will train over 3000 additional students annually and create a workplace for 73 new teachers to develop new programs and courses.

“It’s an outstanding project that will advance the Government’s green skills agenda and assist with the transition to a greener economy.

“It will also strengthen the TAFE’s capacity to deliver high quality programs related to industry requirements.

“I look forward to seeing the benefits this project will bring to the entire community,” she said.

The \$15 million project was announced last week by Deputy Prime Minister Julia Gillard. It forms part of the Rudd Government’s Education Investment Fund, which is improving the quality and diversity of the courses offered to Victoria’s tertiary students.

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