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## Support for Innovative FireLight Festival

The Hodgman Liberal Government is supporting the innovative 2017 FireLight Festival – which will feature a laser and light show that light up the dramatic and iconic face of Mt Roland over three nights – with funding of \$40,000.

Today, I was pleased to represent the Premier at the launch of this exciting festival in the Kentish Municipality.

After a successful trial in 2015, the concept has been enhanced with this year's show taking viewers through Tasmania's story set to an original soundtrack.

From 4-6 May, the best viewing spots in the Sheffield region will become designated festival sites where attendees will have the opportunity to enjoy fine local foods and wine, while enjoying the show.

The economic benefits of the Festival to the region will be a welcome boost, particularly as it falls outside the peak tourist season.

The Tasmanian Government, through Events Tasmania is a proud supporter of the FireLight Festival, contributing \$20,000 to this year's event, alongside an additional \$20,000 commitment from the Premier's Discretionary Fund.

The Australian Government and commercial partners are also supporting the event.

I congratulate the organising committee and all involved in bringing this visionary project to life and encourage Tasmanians to visit and watch one of our most iconic sights "up in lights".