Kangaroo Sanctuary to add camel enclosure with help of tourism grant

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The world famous Kangaroo Sanctuary near Alice Springs will be expanded to include a new ‘camel education and experience’ with the support of a Northern Territory Government tourism grant.

Chief Minister and Tourism Minister Adam Giles said the Kangaroo Sanctuary was a wildlife reserve and the film location for successful television series, ‘Kangaroo Dundee’, broadcast by the ABC, BBC UK and the National Geographic Channel.

“The Kangaroo Sanctuary currently provides a guided sunset tour of the sanctuary educating visitors generally about wildlife care and rescue, with a particular emphasis on the kangaroo,” he said.

“With the assistance of a $50,000 Tourism Infrastructure Development Fund grant, a new camel enclosure will be built at the sanctuary to allow a camel education and experience component to be added to the existing guided sunset tour.

“In addition, the three camels to be housed in the enclosure will appear on season three of Kangaroo Dundee, further showcasing this wonderful location to potential tourists.”

Mr Giles said the Country Liberals Government was working hard to grow the tourism industry after years of decline, with the infrastructure grants helping local businesses revitalise the products and experiences on offer.

“The Northern Territory Government is committed to expanding and enhancing the range of tourism experiences on offer in the Territory so we can create more jobs and drive economic development in our regional areas,” he said.

“A thriving tourism industry helps boost local business, create jobs and grow the Territory economy.

“It’s all part of the Country Liberals Government’s plans to drive the development of North Australia and build a $2.2 billion visitor economy by 2020.”

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