

MONCK HEAD BOAT LAUNCHING FACILITY

1109. Hon COLIN de GRUSSA to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to the Monck Head boat launching facility opened in 2007 and ongoing issues with sand deposition that has been attributed to the opening of a rock groyne.

- (1) How much money has the state government spent to date in mitigating sand deposition at Monck Head?
- (2) Has the minister read the 2009 report titled *Implications of the Monck Head boat launching facility on adjacent intertidal sessile assemblages (Coral Bay, Western Australia)*, which highlights these issues?
- (3) Has the minister been briefed on the issues caused by excessive sand deposition at Monck Head or considered any solutions to these issues in her capacity as Minister for Planning; and, if yes, what solutions are being proposed and when will a decision be made?
- (4) Will the minister commit to visiting the site to see the issue firsthand?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1)–(4) The member is referring to a report released one year into the eight-and-a-half-year Liberal–National government. From the member’s question, it appears as though no action was undertaken in relation to this issue by the former government. The Department of Transport has advised that in 2017 it undertook its own shoreline movement study that found accretion at the facility was not the predominant cause for erosion north of the facility. The Department of Transport continues to monitor sediment at the location through periodic surveys.