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ENVIRONMENT — LAND CLEARING

227. Hon Colin de Grussa to the minister representing the Minister for Environment:

In relation to land clearing and native vegetation, I ask:

- (a) (a) for the following years, please identify how many native vegetation clearing permits were received:
 - (i) 2017–18;
 - (ii) 2018–19;
 - (iii) 2019-20; and
 - (iv) 2020–21;
- (b) (b) for those in (a), please detail how many permits were approved and the total area approved for clearing by Local Government Area in:
 - (i) 2017–18;
 - (ii) 2018–19;
 - (iii) 2019-20; and
 - (iv) 2020–21; and
- (c) for the following years, please identify how many fines were issued for illegal clearing:
 - (i) 2017–18;
 - (ii) 2018–19;
 - (iii) 2019-20; and
 - (iv) 2020–21?

Hon Stephen Dawson replied:

- (a) (i) 545
 - (ii) 602
 - (iii) 472
 - (iv) 538
- (b) (i) 394
 - (ii) 424
 - (iii) 333
 - (iv) 284

See table below for the total area approved for clearing within each local government authority jurisdiction:

Local Government Authority	Clearing Approved* by Hectares			
	2017–2018	2018–2019	2019–2020	2020–2021
City of Albany	4.23	25.41	7.37	0.26
City of Armadale	1.37	7.95	6.50	6.88
City of Belmont	0.56	6.95		0.10
City of Bunbury	2.58	9.69	0.35	0.76
City of Canning		0.77		4.19
City of Cockburn	9.72	3.52	9.37	8.96
City of Gosnells	0.41	11.16	1.25	0.14
City of Greater Geraldton	0.91			
City of Joondalup		3.17	11.68	0.18
City of Kalgoorlie–Boulder	1752.75	1478.82	687.45	1427.62
City of Mandurah	15.40	7.69	0.27	
City of Melville	0.55	0.72	1.47	

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City of Nedlands		0.90		
City of Rockingham	0.39	4.11	1.48	0.25
City of South Perth	0.57	7.11	0.18	0.19
City of Stirling	0.96	2.32	1.39	0.17
City of Swan	12.92	2.64	1.55	0.60
City of Wanneroo	456.94	2.23	94.26	4.19
Shire of Ashburton	9.69	159.99	498.63	376.67
Shire of Augusta–Margaret River	2.12	2.92	0.79	3.63
Shire of Beverley	2.12	0.32	0.77	3.03
Shire of Boddington	6.11	4.00	0.25	0.99
Shire of Boyup Brook	0.36	0.15	2.30	0.55
Shire of Bridgetown–Greenbushes	43.72	8.27	2.30	3.45
Shire of Broome	147.86	283.19	1.74	3.94
Shire of Bruce Rock	117.00	0.19	1.71	3.91
Shire of Busselton	5.21	35.30	0.37	0.11
Shire of Capel	17.29	0.30	1.35	0.11
Shire of Carnamah	17.27	71.63	1.55	6.36
Shire of Carnarvon		16.99		15.64
Shire of Chittering	112.42	10.77	4.73	2.63
Shire of Christmas Island	112.12	2.00	1.73	0.20
Shire of Collie	4.17	0.40	55.65	4.11
Shire of Coolgardie	1266.14	612.84	1.20	689.83
Shire of Coorow	0.18	012.01	1.50	009.03
Shire of Corrigin	0.10	0.60	1.50	
Shire of Cranbrook	21.60	9.60	62.81	
Shire of Cuballing	2.32	0.10	0.28	
Shire of Cue	8.49	416.87	63.00	694.81
Shire of Cunderdin	3113			0.20
Shire of Dalwallinu	0.93	34.76		
Shire of Dandaragan	7.20	21.33	22.92	0.26
Shire of Dardanup	0.62	3.56	24.86	
Shire of Denmark	7.28	6.59	0.50	0.10
Shire of Derby–West Kimberley	117.70	17.42		2.97
Shire of Donnybrook–Balingup	1.30	7.65	0.98	1.37
Shire of Dumbleyung	7.12			
Shire of Dundas	19.00		2.00	
Shire of East Pilbara	486.26	2826.10	1399.00	561.53
Shire of Esperance	27.70	22.12	127.22	151.79
Shire of Exmouth	56.90	252.00	2.30	1.48
Shire of Gingin	52.43	32.15	46.12	7.26
Shire of Gnowangerup	5.47			
Shire of Goomalling			2.80	
Shire of Halls Creek		79.00	142.67	

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Shire of Harvey	3.28	16.42	7.64	0.39
Shire of Irwin	3.80	25.18	0.48	25.37
Shire of Jerramungup	3.25		0.19	0.37
Shire of Kalamunda	2.52	3.37	1.69	1.21
Shire of Katanning	8.82			8.38
Shire of Kellerberrin		0.19	3.47	
Shire of Kent		1.10		
Shire of Kojonup	5.50	0.56	1.13	0.28
Shire of Kondinin	4.25	8.55	13.66	2.69
Shire of Koorda		8.58		98.54
Shire of Lake Grace	88.63	24.36		144.76
Shire of Laverton	368.00	812.38	312.00	16.97
Shire of Leonora	423.20	424.70	139.00	552.41
Shire of Manjimup	14.63	233.78	52.42	12.25
Shire of Meekatharra	825.00	545.73	473.90	1891.60
Shire of Menzies	197.70		872.56	229.50
Shire of Merredin	4.32	6.73	0.91	
Shire of Mingenew		9.62	0.84	0.35
Shire of Moora	15.46	11.57		
Shire of Mount Magnet	228.00	176.00		184.00
Shire of Mount Marshall	5.10			
Shire of Mukinbudin	2.00	0.10		
Shire of Mundaring		0.24		0.30
Shire of Murchison	25.80	2.00	145.70	
Shire of Murray	14.55	2.37	0.18	1.95
Shire of Nannup		1.67	0.78	
Shire of Narrogin	0.75			
Shire of Ngaanyatjarraku	36.63	33.20	169.45	6.10
Shire of Northam	1.16	3.22		
Shire of Northampton	55.45	4.30	49.30	251.32
Shire of Perenjori	35.00			
Shire of Pingelly				0.74
Shire of Plantagenet	0.69	4.40	2.23	
Shire of Quairading		0.15		
Shire of Ravensthorpe	4.88	1.33	0.72	2.38
Shire of Roebourne	93.13	263.80	44.32	85.92
Shire of Sandstone				35.00
Shire of Serpentine–Jarrahdale	31.13	2.18	3.19	12.63
Shire of Shark Bay		39.30	1.00	0.38
Shire of Three Springs		74.99		
Shire of Toodyay	37.98	0.18	2.98	0.26
Shire of Upper Gascoyne	137.00			
Shire of Victoria Plains	0.70	32.57		

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Shire of Wagin			0.16	
Shire of Wandering		0.14	0.14	
Shire of Waroona	7.60	1.95	36.69	1.70
Shire of West Arthur	0.42		0.14	
Shire of Westonia		5.00		0.90
Shire of Wickepin	1.15	0.30		
Shire of Williams	4.50	29.76		
Shire of Wiluna	536.86	616.90	42.00	495.11
Shire of Wongan-Ballidu		0.63		
Shire of Wyalkatchem	0.53	0.11	6.55	
Shire of Wyndham-East Kimberley	165.96	45.63	16.32	116.56
Shire of Yalgoo		35.00		115.93
Shire of Yilgarn	375.31	2.76	23.30	125.40
Shire of York			0.11	
Town of Claremont		1.50	77.10	
Town of Kwinana		26.44	0.43	
Town of Narrogin	3.00			
Town of Port Hedland	14.84	81.52	78.10	127.43

^{*} by both the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation and Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety; does not include clearing authorised under State-wide purpose permits.

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