

FITZGERALD NATIONAL PARK - RANGERS

1241. Hon ROBYN McSWEENEY to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for the Environment:

I refer to the number of rangers employed in the Fitzgerald River National Park. How many rangers were employed in the park in 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and during 2007; how many rangers are currently employed in the park; and, how many rangers should be employed to look after the park?

Hon SALLY TALBOT replied:

I thank Hon Robyn McSweeney for some notice of the question. The Minister for the Environment has provided the following response -

Between 2001 and 2007 three rangers were employed to look after the park. Currently, there are two vacancies. One is expected to be filled by early December and the other by late December 2007. Three rangers are regarded as a minimum.