

CARNARVON - FLOOD MITIGATION WORKS

951. Hon KEN BASTON to the Minister for the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne:

- (1) Have the flood mitigation works proposed for Carnarvon commenced?
- (2) If not, on what date are the flood mitigation works anticipated to commence and what are the reasons for the delay?
- (3) What is the anticipated completion date of the flood mitigation works?

Hon JON FORD replied:

I thank Hon Ken Baston for some notice of the question.

- (1) Yes. I am advised by Main Roads that phase 1 of the flood mitigation works has commenced. In fact, I was advised verbally that they commenced yesterday. Phase 1 consists of an upgrade to the floodways on North West Coastal Highway, south of Carnarvon. The bulk of the construction work will be undertaken in January 2007. Phase 2 involves the construction of levees from BP Palms Roadhouse to the Gascoyne River and levees north of the river. Phase 2 is expected to commence in late 2007 once environmental referrals are complete.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Late 2008.