

DOPPLER RADAR

**1460. Hon NIGEL HALLETT to the Minister for Agriculture and Food:**

- (1) What progress has been made on the installation and construction of the three Doppler radars at Newdegate, South Doodlakine and Marchagee?
- (2) Are the three radars likely to be commissioned by June 2016?

**Hon KEN BASTON replied:**

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

- (1) A development application for construction of a Doppler radar has been submitted to the Shire of Lake Grace for the Newdegate site, while a further development application is being finalised for the South Doodlakine site, which is in the Shire of Kellerberrin. The Bureau of Meteorology has decided that a site near Miling is better suited to the meteorological demands of this project than Marchagee locations and will complete geotechnical analysis in the next week.
- (2) The Doppler radar business plan calls for the construction and commission of one radar by 30 June 2016, and this milestone is on track to be achieved.