

ORD STAGE 2 PROJECT - KING LOCATION 353

4764. Hon Ken Baston to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I refer to King location 353, lease 1 134675 (3116/11650), and ask -

- (1) When was King location 353 identified as a prospective raw materials area under the Ord Stage 2 Project?
- (2) What is the nature of the raw materials identified?
- (3) Have surveys been undertaken to determine the extent of the raw materials identified?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) If yes to (3), -
  - (a) when were the surveys completed and to what extent are the deposits usable; and
  - (b) will the Minister table a plan showing the extent of the usable deposits on location 353?
- (6) If no to (5b), why not?

Hon ADELE FARINA replied:

- (1) Prior to the commissioning of the Aboriginal Heritage Survey, that is prior to August 2004.
- (2) Prospectivity was based on study of land forms, the nature and extent of raw materials deposits in this locality is yet to be determined.
- (3) No.
- (4) It is anticipated that this work will be 'proponent' driven, linked to such projects as the M2 Ord River Irrigation Area.
- (5)-(6) N/A