

BROOME PORT — DREDGING

**941. Hon KEN BASTON to the minister representing the Minister for Transport:**

I refer to the channel optimisation project scheduled for the port of Broome.

- (1) Has a dredging contractor been appointed to this project?
- (2) If yes to (1), is a date set for the dredging work to commence?
- (3) If no to (2), why not?
- (4) Is it expected that the channel optimisation project will be completed in the fourth quarter of 2018, as per the answer to question without notice 749 asked on 1 November 2017?

**Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:**

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

- (1)–(4) The Kimberley Ports Authority has selected a preferred contractor and time lines will be determined as part of the ongoing procurement process.