

LAND RESUMPTIONS

1237. Hon NICK GOIRAN to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Lands:

I refer to the answer by the immediate past Minister for Lands to my questions on 6 and 7 March 2012 regarding the protracted uncertain status of three holdings of land and note that some 32 months have passed since the delivery of those answers.

- (1) Is it true that the then minister wrote to the landowners on 30 April 2012, stating that compulsory acquisition will now commence?
- (2) What is the current status of this acquisition?
- (3) Given that the minister will have established certain professional standards for the department, what target date has been set for the realisation of the acquisition?

Hon COL HOLT replied:

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

- (1) Yes. However, one of the lots has since transferred to a new owner and negotiations have commenced with that owner.
- (2) Notice of intent to take M590190 was lodged at Landgate in March 2013 over two subject lots, lots 63 and 64, on plan 739. The Department of Lands has commenced negotiations with the current registered proprietor of lot 507 on diagram 91207 in anticipation of reaching an agreement for the taking of interests.
- (3) The acquisition of state corridor rights within the Dampier to Bunbury natural gas pipeline corridor is an ongoing project. A new process was implemented on 13 December 2013 under which all NOITTs undergo a comprehensive compliance assessment. The taking of state corridor rights subject to NOITT M590190 will occur only after additional land has been brought into the Dampier to Bunbury natural gas pipeline corridor, and that is expected to be finalised by March 2015. Negotiations are continuing with the owner of lot 507.