

WA LABOR — ELECTION COMMITMENTS — COLLIE–PRESTON

**992. Hon COLIN HOLT to the Minister for Regional Development:**

I refer to WA Labor election commitments in the seat of Collie–Preston.

- (1) Please outline the progress made on the \$200 000 project to develop walking trails around Wellington Dam.
- (2) When will Motoring South West receive the \$100 000 it was promised for a marketing campaign?
- (3) When will the promised \$300 000 towards a Ferguson Valley and Wellington Forest marketing campaign be allocated and how will it be spent?

**Hon ALANNAH MacTIERNAN replied:**

I thank the member for the question.

- (1) This project is being managed by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions. Stage 1 is progressing, with the trail from Wellington Dam wall to Coalfields Highway completed and signage in place. The trail head signage is currently being developed and the camp site is under construction. Stage 2, Hamilton Bridge to Collie, is on a Main Roads WA reserve and DBCA is currently seeking approval from Main Roads for access to the reserve to progress the project.
- (2) This grant is being managed through the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries. That department is working with Motoring South West to progress the funding agreement by the end of November to enable the project to proceed.
- (3) This grant is being managed through the Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation. Tourism WA is working with the Shire of Dardanup and Ferguson Valley Marketing to develop a grant agreement to enable the project to proceed. Tourism WA anticipates the grant agreement will be finalised by the end of November. Funding is expected to be used for a number of activities including marketing and signage.