

WATER — GNANGARA MOUND

1674. Hon Lynn MacLaren to the Minister for Agriculture and Food representing the Minister for Water:

- (1) What has been the amount of water recharge to the Gngangara Mound as a result of the clearing of pine plantations in the Swan Coastal Plain?
- (2) How much land has been made available for commercial and residential developments from the clearing of pine plantations in the Swan Coastal Plain?

Hon Ken Baston replied:

- (1) Clearing has improved groundwater recharge by an estimated 35 to 40 gigalitres per year.
- (2) No land has been made available for commercial or residential development.