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[COUNCIL — Tuesday, 7 November 2023] p5885b-5886a Hon Martin Aldridge; Hon Jackie Jarvis

KIMBERLEY FLOODS — RECOVERY PROGRAMS

1657. Hon Martin Aldridge to the Minister for Agriculture and Food:

I refer to the Kimberley Floods Recovery, and I ask:

- (a) in regards to the Freight Assistance Program, please identify:
 - (i) the total value of this program;
 - (ii) the total funding provided to date; and
 - (iii) how many businesses have accessed the Freight Assistance Program; and
- (b) in regards to the Measures for Primary Producers please identify:
 - (i) the number of applications received to date;
 - (ii) the number of applications approved to date;
 - (iii) the total funding dispersed to date; and
 - (iv) please confirm the expiry date of this grants program?

Hon Jackie Jarvis replied:

The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) advises that as of the 3 November 2023:

- (a) (i) The total value of funding allocated for the Freight Assistance Program is \$42,000,000.00.
 - (ii) \$4,933,806.76
 - (iii) 79 businesses.
- (b) There are two Measures for Primary Producers in response to the Kimberley Floods Recovery. DPIRD administers these two on behalf of DFES. The first is Category B Primary Producers Grants for restoration of fencing, freight, and professional advice. The second is Category D Primary Producer Recovery Grants, under which up to \$75,000 is available for those primary producers impacted by either (or both) Ex TC Ellie (Kimberley region) and TC Ilsa (Pilbara region).

The Primary Producers Grant Category B assistance measure is demand driven. This funding assistance measure is not capped.

- (i) 5
- (ii) 3
- (iii) \$49,875.70
- (iv) 27 September 2023

The Category D Primary Producer Recovery Grant provides grants up to \$75,000 for eligible measures relating to Ex TC Ellie and Ex-TC Ilsa. The total value of funding allocated for Ex TC Ellie and Ex TC Ilsa is \$2,568,000. The data below relates only to those applicants impacted as a result of Ex TC Ellie (Kimberley region).

- (i) 1
- (ii) 1
- (iii) \$75,000
- (iv) 30 June 2024