

LAPORTE JETTY — AUSTRALIND

134. Hon Dr STEVE THOMAS to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Water:

I refer to the two-year delay for the commencement of restoration works on Laporte jetty in Australind, which finally started in February 2023.

- (1) What is the projected time frame that Venita has given the government for the completion of the jetty refurbishment?
- (2) What percentage of timber will be used in the reconstruction process, and what timbers will be used?
- (3) Who will be responsible for the ongoing upkeep and maintenance regime of Laporte jetty upon cessation of works?
- (4) Upon completion of the jetty, will Laporte jetty, Australind, remain a Department of Water and Environmental Regulation asset?

Hon PIERRE YANG replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. The following answer has been provided by the Minister for Water.

- (1) It is anticipated that the jetty refurbishment will be completed by the end of this year.
- (2) No timber will be used in the reconstruction of the jetty. A composite of recycled hardened plastic and wood flour will replace the handrails and decking.
- (3)–(4) The Department of Water and Environmental Regulation is assessing options for the transfer of management of the jetty to a more appropriate authority.