

BIODIVERSITY, CONSERVATION AND ATTRACTIONS —
EXPENDITURE — STATE FOREST ROADS

930. Hon Steve Martin to the minister representing the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the ongoing costs of maintaining our forests, and I ask:

- (a) for each of the last 10 financial years, what was the total expenditure by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions on maintaining roads in:
 - (i) State Forests closed to harvesting activities; and
 - (ii) State Forests available to harvesting activities; and
- (b) for each answer in (a), how was this funded?

Hon Stephen Dawson replied:

- (a) The Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) expenditure on maintaining roads across all tenure types in the south-west forests for each of the last 10 financial years is listed in the table below. DBCA does not maintain financial records to further break this expenditure down as requested in a(i) and a(ii).

Year	Amount
2012–13	\$2,349,720
2013–14	\$1,481,037
2014–15	\$1,173,440
2015–16	\$1,481,680
2016–17	\$1,636,893
2017–18	\$1,462,847
2018–19	\$1,718,331
2019–20	\$1,394,492
2020–21	\$1,335,550
2021–22	\$1,402,115

- (b) The above expenditure is funded from recurrent appropriation, recoup from external parties and Main Roads WA grants.