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ESTIMATES AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

Thursday 5 July 2012

Water Corporation

Hon. L. Ravlich asked -

1. How many FTE employees does Water Corporation currently have?

Answer: 2,901 - as of 20 July 2012

2. How many are located in each country WA region?

Answer:

South West Region 156
Goldfields & Agricultural Region 177
North West Region 158
Mid West Region 122
Great Southern Region 106

3. How many employee relocations from the metropolitan area to each region did the Water Corporation undertake in each of 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012 to date?

Answer:

Information relating to individual relocation expenditure is not held in the Water Corporation's Human Resources system as the majority of costs are paid via the procurement system to companies such as removalists or airlines. It is therefore difficult to tie this back to individual employees. The information below therefore may not be a complete record of all relocations undertaken during the period. Relocation assistance may be offered as part of the conditions for movements between country and metropolitan sites to employees. In addition, some employees may choose to salary sacrifice relocation expenses which occur via the Corporation's external Salary Packaging provider.

Year	Goldfields & Agricultural Region	Mid West Region	North West Region	South West Region	Great Southern Region
2008	0	10	15	4	2
2009	0	4	10	2	5
2010	0	10	15	0	2
2011	1	4	13	2	2
2012	0	4	7	0	1

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4. How many employee relocations from each region to the metropolitan area did the Water Corporation undertake in each of 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012 to date?

Answer:

Year	Goldfields & Agricultural Region	Mid West Region	North West Region	South West Region	Great Southern Region
2008	0	1	3	0	0
2009	0	2	1	0	0
2010	0	0	0	0	0
2011	0	0	0	0	0
2012	0	0	0	0	0

- 5. For each region, what is the total cost for relocations and what is the breakdown of that total in terms of:
- a. removalist costs,
- b. allowances paid directly to the employee and;
- c. any other costs please specify?

Answer:

As the relocation expenses are paid via the Procurement process, there was no method to split the costs between the various categories ie removalist, airlines etc. This is because in some cases, the employee would have paid for the services and then been reimbursed and information on the detail would have been entered as relocation expenses only. These costs are represented under "Other Costs" in the following table. The original receipts would need to be reviewed to ascertain the nature of each expense.

The allowance paid to the employee is identified in the Water Corporation's Enterprise Agreement and relates to depreciation of goods.

	Goldfields & Agricultural Region	Mid West Region \$	North West Region \$	South West Region \$	Great Southern Region \$
Allowances Paid	\$520	\$16,640	\$31,200	\$4,160	\$6,240
Other Costs	\$0	\$231,967	\$411,450	\$65,540	\$96,262

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6. What is the average cost per employee to relocate an employee from the metropolitan area to each of the regional areas?

Answer:

	Goldfields & Agricultural Region	Mid West Region \$	North West Region \$	South West Region \$	Great Southern Region \$
Cost	\$520	\$7,769	\$7,378	\$8,713	\$8,542

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Hon. A. Farina asked -

- 7. I refer to Budget Paper No 2 Volume 2 at page 860 'Asset Investment Program,' line item, Regional Infill Sewerage Program and ask -
- a. How much of the \$5 million allocated for 2012/13 for the Regional Infill Sewerage Program will be spent in the South West?
- b. Where will it be spent?
- c. How much will be spent?
- d. On what exactly will it be spent?
- e. What are the start and expected completion dates of the South West projects?

Answer:

- a. Nil there are other South West infill projects funded from the Infill Sewerage Program.
- b. e. not applicable
- 8. I refer to Budget Paper No 2 Volume 2 at page 860 'Asset Investment Program,' line item, Country Wastewater Treatment and Conveyance and ask-
- a. How much of the \$82.635 million for Country Wastewater Treatment in and Conveyance in 2012/13 will be spent in the South West?
- b. Where will it be spent?
- c. Exactly what will it be spent on?
- d. What are the start and expected completion dates for the projects?

Answer:

a. \$39 million.

b & c.

Project Title	2012/13 \$000's
Busselton WWTP Amplification Stage 2	\$10,000
Busselton Vasse PS A	\$4,000
Margaret River WWTP TWWM Stage 2	\$3,000
Busselton 13B and 18A PS and PM	\$2,550
Bunbury Parade Rd PS Upgrade	\$2,481
Dalyellup PS A	\$2,000
Eaton Monash Bvd PM to Bunbury WWTP	\$2,000
Bridgetown 1E Part 2	\$1,782
Albany Timewell Rd WWTP Improvements	\$1,291
Dunsborough WWTP Aerator Upgrade	\$920
Busselton Ford Rd Vac PS Receiving Sewer	\$704
Albany PS15 PM Section Valves Install	\$650
Busselton Country Rd PS Acquire Site	\$637
Albany Bayonet Hd PM Discharge Improvement	\$605
Albany Warrangoo Rd PS20 Storage Upgrade	\$556
Pemberton WWTP Improvements	\$500
+54 projects of <0.5 million	
Total	\$38,851

- d. August 2008 to June 2016.
- 9. I refer to Budget Paper No 2 Volume 2 at page 860 'Asset Investment Program,' line item, Country Water Sources and Distribution, and ask—
- a. How much of the \$202.456 will be spent in the South West?
- i. What exactly will it be spent on
- ii. Where in the South West will it be spent?
- iii. What are the start and expected completion dates of the project?
- b. How much is being spent on addressing Australiad's discoloured water supply?
- i. What is the money being spent on?
- ii. What is the start and completion date of the work to address the discolouration?
- c. How did the situation occur where Australiad residents were faced with discoloured water?
- d. Why was the situation allowed to occur, and what is being done to prevent it reoccurring?

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Answer:

a. \$39 million

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Project Title	2012/13	
	,	\$000's
Samson Brook Dam: Remedial Works Stage 1	\$	8,500
Bridgetown Millstream Dam Raising	\$	5,047
Margaret River: Yarragadee Source	\$	5,000
Millstream to Greenbushes Link	\$	2,880
Margaret River 15ML tank	\$	1,925
Augusta: Upgrade Source and Treatment	\$	1,912
Donnybrook New Production Bore	\$	1,591
Hester-Boyup Brook Main Upgrade	\$	1,305
BRWS Greenbushes to Kirup Link	\$	1,260
POF1 GSR & SWR Elevated Tank Upgrade		
35	\$	1,000
Bridgetown RWS: Acquire land	\$	725
Margaret River: Water Treatment Plant	\$	678
GSTWS Trunk Main River Crossing	\$	676
Quinninup: Develop New Source	\$	656
SWR 2013 Service Connection	\$	639
Dunsborough 2nd 4.5 ML Tank Forrest Rd	\$	600
Capel TWS: New Bore	\$	542
Dalyellup: Upgrade Source & WTP Capacity	\$	500
Stirling Dam Outlet Works Refurbishment	\$	500
+26 projects of <0.5 million		
Total	\$	39,922

- ii. Augusta, Australind, Balingup, Bridgetown, Capel, Collie, Cowaramup, Dalyellup, Donnybrook, Dunsborough, Harvey, Hester, Manjimup, Margaret River, Millstream, Mullalyup, Northcliffe, Picton, Quinninup, Samson Brook
- iii. April 2008 to June 2016.
- b. Costs are being met from the Corporation's Operating Budget.
 - i. A major water scheme cleaning program is under way. Divers will vacuum out mineral build-up in six storage tanks coupled with flushing more than 50 kilometres of pipe.
 - ii. The program commenced July 2012 and is expected to be completed by mid-September 2012. Project planning was initiated immediately following the June discolouration event.
- c. The discolouration was the result of naturally occurring mineral sediment in the pipeline being disturbed and becoming suspended in the water supply. The discolouration does not pose a health risk.

d. The scheme cleaning program will remove sediment throughout the scheme and will prevent a reoccurrence of the recent events.

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- 10. I refer to Budget Paper No 2 Volume 2 at page 860 'Asset Investment Program,' line item, Southern Seawater Desalination Plant Stage 2 Expansion, and ask-
- a. What will the \$260 million for 2012113 be spent on?
- b. What is the estimated project completion date?

Answer:

- a. Completion of building and civil works, mechanical and electrical installation, in-ground pipe works and services, clear water pump station construction, road works and landscaping, Harvey Tank No.2, 27 kilometre duplication of the Stirling Trunk Main and commissioning.
- b. Project Practical Completion expected by June 2013.

- 11. I refer to Budget Paper No 2 Volume 2 at page 861 'New Works,' line item Wastewater Program- Groundwater Replenishment Trial Stage 1, and ask—
- a. What are the start and estimated completion dates for the project?
- b. Where will the project take place?

Answer:

- a. July 2012 to June 2016
- b. Water Corporation's Beenyup site.

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- 12. What was the cost of the first 150KL of water in 2011/12 for:
- i. Class 1?
- ii. Class 2?
- iii. Class 3?
- iv. Class 4?
- v. Class 5?

Answer:

Class 1 (c/kL)	92.8
Class 2 (c/kL)	119.2
Class 3 (c/kL)	119.2
Class 4 (c/kL)	119.2
Class 5 (c/kL)	119.2

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- 13. What was the cost of the next 150KL of water in 2011/12 for:
- i. Class 1?
- ii. Class 2?
- iii. Class 3?
- iv. Class 4?
- v. Class 5?

Answer:

	South	North
Class 1 (c/kL)	119.1	97.9
Class 2 (c/kL)	153.5	124.3
Class 3 (c/kL)	153.5	124.3
Class 4 (c/kL)	153.5	124.3
Class 5 (c/kL)	153.5	124.3

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- 14. What was the cost of the next 250KL of water in 2011/12 for:
- i. Class 1?
- ii. Class 2?
- iii. Class 3?

iv. Class 4?

v. Class 5?

Answer:

	South			North		
	301-350 kL	351 - 450 kL	451 - 550 kL	301-350 kL	351 - 500 kL	501 - 550 kL
Class 1 (c/kL)	125.8	129.2	129.2	97.9	119.1	125.8
Class 2 (c/kL)	167.9	171.9	177.8	124.3	153.5	167.9
Class 3 (c/kL)	206.4	210.3	218.9	124.3	153.5	206.4
Class 4 (c/kL)	240.7	244.6	255.9	124.3	153.5	240.7
Class 5 (c/kL)	278.2	282.2	294.3	124.3	153.5	278.2

15. What was the cost of over 550KL of water in 2011/12 for:

i. Class 1?

ii. Class 2?

iii. Class 3?

iv. Class 4?

v. Class 5?

Answer:

	South 551 - 750 kL		751 - 950 kL	951 - 1150 kL	1151 - 1550 kL	1551 - 1950 kL	over 1950 kL
Class 1 (c/kL) Class 2	165.5		173.3	174.5	190.5	198.5	208.3
(c/kL) Class 3	219.2		238.6	244.8	267.6	284.7	309.4
(c/kL) Class 4	288.1		308.7	322.4	350.9	377.5	400.3
(c/kL) Class 5	384.9		409.5	427.8	479.1	501.9	524.7
(c/kL)	506.7		535.3	566.1	636.3	659.2	678.2
	North 551 - 650 kL	651 - 750 kL	751 - 950 kL	951 - 1150 kL	1151 - 1550 kL	1551 - 1950 kL	over 1950 kL
Class 1 (c/kL) Class 2	551 - 650						
	551 - 650 kL	kL	kL	kL	kL	kL	kL
(c/kL) Class 2 (c/kL)	551 - 650 kL 128.8	kL 138	kL 173.3	kL 173.3	kL 190.5	kL 198.5	kL 208.3
(c/kL) Class 2 (c/kL) Class 3 (c/kL)	551 - 650 kL 128.8 170.9	kL 138 181.3	kL 173.3 238.6	kL 173.3 238.6	kL 190.5 267.6	kL 198.5 284.7	kL 208.3 309.4

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16.	What was the cost of the first 150KL of water in 2012/13 for:
i.	Class 1?
ii.	Class 2?
iii.	Class 3?
iv.	Class 4?
v.	Class 5?
17.	What was the cost of the next 150KL of water in 2012/13 for:
i.	Class 1?
ii.	Class 2?

- 18. What was the cost of the next 250KL of water in 2012/13 for:
- i. Class 1?

Class 3?

Class 4? Class 5?

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- ii. Class 2?
- iii. Class 3?
- iv. Class 4?
- v. Class 5?
- 19. What was the cost of over 550KL of water in 2012/13 for:
- i. Class 1?
- ii. Class 2?
- iii. Class 3?
- iv. Class 4?
- v. Class 5?

12-19 Answer:

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