

ESTIMATES AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

2014/15 ANNUAL REPORT HEARINGS QUESTIONS PRIOR TO HEARING

Conservation Commission

Hon Lynn MacLaren asked:

- 1) In the last two financial years, how much has the Conservation Commission spent on audits of the Department of Parks and Wildlife's;

- a) Forest management

Answer:

The Conservation Commission has not undertaken a forest management audit in either of the years 2013-2014 or 2014-2015.

- b) Prescribed burning

Answer:

The Conservation Commission has not undertaken a prescribed burning audit in either of the years 2013-2014 or 2014-2015.

- c) Phytophthora dieback management?

Answer:

The Conservation Commission has not undertaken a Phytophthora dieback management audit in either of the years 2013-2014 or 2014-2015.

- 2) In the last two financial years, how much did the Conservation Commission spend on development management plans for national parks and nature reserves?

Answer:

In the last two financial years, the Conservation Commission has spent \$192,686 (2013-2014) and \$188,691 (2014-2015) on the development of management plans for national parks and nature reserves.

These costs are based on calculations of on apportionment of (i) staff time to management planning activities and (ii) total costs associated with management of the Conservation Commission, including member emoluments.

- 3) In the last two financial years, what management plans for national parks and nature reserves were;

- a) Completed

Answer:

In 2013-2014, the Conservation Commission completed the Kalbarri National Park draft management plan and Swan Coastal Plain South draft management plan.

In 2014-2015, the Conservation Commission completed the Barrow Group nature reserves management plan; Leeuwin-Naturaliste capes area parks and reserves management plan; and Tuart Forest National Park management plan.

b) Progressed

Answer:

In 2013-2014, the Conservation Commission progressed the Albany Coast draft management plan; Northern Yilgarn draft management plan; Barrow Group nature reserves management plan; Leeuwin-Naturaliste capes area parks and reserves management plan; Tuart Forest National Park management plan; and Yoorrooyang Dawang Conservation Parks management plan.

In 2014-2015, the Conservation Commission progressed the Albany Coast draft management plan; Esperance and Recherche Parks and Reserves management plan; Northern Yilgarn draft management plan; Yoorrooyang Dawang Conservation Parks management plan; Horizontal Falls National Park draft management plan; and Yawuru Out of Town / North Intertidal management plan.

c) Commenced

Answer:

In 2013-2014, the Conservation Commission commenced the Esperance and Recherche Parks and Reserves management plan; Horizontal Falls National Park draft management plan; and Yawuru Out of Town / North Intertidal management plan.

In 2014-2015, the Conservation Commission commenced the Kalbarri National Park management plan; Swan Coastal Plain South management plan; Walyarta, Kurriji Pa Yajula and Eighty Mile Beach management plan.