

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Our Ref: Petition No. 134

Ms Susan McCann

30 January 2017

Dear Ms McCann

Petition No. 134 – Oppose development of Wetlands and Lake in Helena Valley

Reference is made to the above petition which was tabled by Hon Samantha Rowe MLC in the Legislative Council on 18 October 2016 and referred to the Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs (Committee).

I am writing to advise that the last sitting day for the Legislative Council for the current session of Parliament was 22 November 2016, which was followed by prorogation (the termination of the parliamentary session) on 30 January 2017 prior to the State election, scheduled for 11 March 2017.

Prorogation terminates the business of Parliament, including all petitions currently before the Committee. The petition has therefore lapsed. If a petitioner or petitioners want the Committee to continue its consideration of a petition that has lapsed due to prorogation, the petition must be tabled again in the new Parliament next year with at least one signature.

Please find enclosed all correspondence received by the Committee in relation to your petition prior to prorogation, for your information.

If you have any queries regarding the above, please contact me on 9222 7229 or email env@parliament.wa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Ms Margaret Liveris

Committee Clerk

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Letter from Hon Donna Faragher MLC, Minister for Planning, dated 18 November 2016

Letter from Hon Albert Jacob MLA, Minister for Environment, dated 22 November 2016