

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

QUESTIONS

No. 73

Wednesday, April 10 2002

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- 465. Hon Giz Watson to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development
- 467. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage
- 468. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Racing and Gaming representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
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- 475. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development
- 480. Hon Norman Moore to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Education

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- 485. Hon Peter Foss to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development

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495. Hon Ray Halligan to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests
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501. Hon Ray Halligan to the Minister for Housing and Works

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507. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development
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- 523. Hon Alan Cadby to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Education
- 525. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development
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- 535. Hon Norman Moore to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development
- 536. Hon Norman Moore to the Leader of the House representing the Premier
- 537. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for Energy
- 538. Hon George Cash to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 539. Hon Norman Moore to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Tourism
- 541. Hon Jim Scott to the Leader of the House representing the Premier
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561. Hon Robyn McSweeney to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health

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- 563. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
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- 568. Hon Jim Scott to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Education
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570. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

I refer to a letter from B R Wilson, Chair of the Marine Parks and Reserves Authority to Mr Bernard Bowen, Chair of the EPA dated September 4 1998 and included as Appendix 4 of EPA Bulletin 942 (June 1999). In the second paragraph of this letter Mr Wilson states that 'In short, the outcome is that the MPRA does not consider that the values of the site are 'of such importance at State, national and international levels to warrant its preservation' at this time' -

- (1) Does Mr Wilson stand by this comment?
- (2) Can the Minister clarify whether or not this statement was in fact a misprint?
- (3) If so, what was the intended statement?

571. Hon Robin Chapple to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for State Development

I refer to greenhouse gas emissions from proposed industrial developments on or near the Burrup Peninsula, and ask -

- (1) Does the Minister agree with the published estimates for CO² equivalent emissions from the various projects, as listed below (all figures are measured in millions of tonnes per annum (mtpa) of CO² equivalent) -
 - (a) Methanex Methanol stage 1 - 0.9 mtpa
 - (b) Burrup Fertilisers - 1.44 mtpa
 - (c) Syntroleum Sweetwater - 1.16 mtpa
 - (d) Plenty River Ammonia - 2 mtpa
 - (e) Japan DME - 2.5 mtpa
 - (f) GTL Resources - 0.45 mtpa
 - (g) Woodside LNG expansion - 3.1 mtpa
 - (h) Austeel/Mineralogy - 4.21 mtpa
 - (i) Total - 15.76 mtpa
- (2) If not, can the Minister outline specifically which estimates the Minister disagrees with, and provide the Government's estimates for CO² equivalent emissions?

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572. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

I refer to an inspection of an area of Doctor's Creek, Derby, carried out by Colin Chambers of the Department of Fisheries, on or about August 21 2000. The report included observations of water temperature and chemistry, and recorded fish species and bird life -

Will the Minister table a copy of this report?

573. Hon Christine Sharp to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

- (1) Is the Minister aware that Black Point Road, D'Entrecasteaux National Park, was closed due to flooding during the Easter long weekend?
- (2) Was the flooding the result of discharge from the Cable Sands Jangardup Mineral sand mine?
- (3) If yes -
 - (a) when did the discharge of water commence;
 - (b) did the water discharge result from settling ponds;
 - (c) did the water discharge result from groundwater; and
 - (d) what quantities of water were involved?
- (4) Was the Department of Conservation and Land Management informed of this problem?

574. Hon Christine Sharp to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

With regards to the recent discharge of water from Cable Sands Jangardup Mine -

- (1) Is the Minister aware that the ERMP states 'The excess water will be pumped to a small pond and recycled as much as possible. Water will also be recycled from the dumped mixture of sand and clay which remains after the heavy minerals have been separated out, and from the stockpile of Heavy Minerals Concentrate. The excess water will be allowed to seep or drain from the ponds into the natural drainage. It will not be discharged as a surface flow into the State forest or the D'Entrecasteaux National Park'?
- (2) What testing was carried out on this surface water discharge and by whom for -
 - (a) acid sulfate;
 - (b) pH;
 - (c) salinity;
 - (d) heavy metals; and
 - (e) flocculant,
 and will the Minister table the results?
- (3) Does the recent discharge of water into D'Entrecasteaux National Park compromise Ministerial Condition 3 for the Jangardup Mineral Sand Mine 'The proponent shall ensure that

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there are no environmentally significant detrimental effects from the mining operation on the vegetation or groundwater quality or levels within adjacent National Park, State forest and private lands'?

- (4) What action will the Minister take against Cable Sands?
- (5) What action will the Minister be taking to ensure the protection of the D'Entrecasteaux National Park and Gingilup NR from such future events?

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Clerk of the Legislative Council