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*Notice Given**Tuesday, 10 March 2020***2834. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment:**

I refer to the 1999 West Australian Government Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development funded report entitled: “An assessment of the impact of Ophthalmia Dam on the floodplains of the Fortescue River on Ethel Creek and Roy Hill Stations”, wherein: “This survey confirmed that there is widespread decline and death of trees and that the effect is recent. The evidence from this survey strongly suggests that the major cause of tree stress and death is a lack of regular flooding in recent years, largely as a result of the Ophthalmia Dam. On Ethel Creek station the area of the Fortescue River floodplain already affected, is about 400 sq km. On Roy Hill station the area of the Fortescue River floodplain affected, is about 177 sq km”, and I ask:

- (a) has work been undertaken by the Minister’s department, since the time of this report to monitor the health of the rangelands and coolabah woodlands along the Fortescue floodplain, between the Ophthalmia Dam and Fortescue Marsh;
- (b) if yes to (a), can the Minister please table all relevant reports looking into this issue;
- (c) does the Government have a plan to arrest the deterioration of the rangelands and coolabah woodlands, along the Fortescue floodplain, between the Ophthalmia Dam and Fortescue Marsh:
 - (i) if yes to (c), can the Minister please table that plan;
 - (ii) if yes to (c), what funds have been allocated to arrest the deterioration of those rangelands and coolabah woodlands;
- (d) what are the implications of the deterioration of the rangelands and coolabah woodlands along the Fortescue floodplain between the Ophthalmia Dam and Fortescue Marsh for:
 - (i) local pastoralists;
 - (ii) the natural environment;
- (e) has industry been called upon to contribute funds to the remediation of the deterioration of the rangelands and coolabah woodlands along the Fortescue floodplain between the Ophthalmia Dam and Fortescue Marsh;
- (f) if yes to (e), would the Minister please provide information, in relation to (e), regarding:
 - (i) around what date were industry proponents contacted;
 - (ii) which businesses were contacted, and who acted as a representative of the business; and
 - (iii) what amounts were requested by the Department to this effect;
 - (iv) what amounts did the Department receive; and
- (g) is it possible to repatriate damage to the deterioration of the rangelands and coolabah woodlands, along the Fortescue floodplain, between the Ophthalmia Dam and Fortescue Marsh, brought about by the construction of the Ophthalmia Dam?

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2835. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the article “Dramatic and rapid reef loss in north-west will continue without climate action: scientist” , published by the Sydney Morning Herald on 8 December 2019 (<https://www.smh.com.au/national/dramatic-and-rapid-reef-loss-in-north-west-will-continue-without-climate-action-scientist-20191206-p53hmu.html>), and also to the report *Exmouth Gulf, north Western Australia: A review of environmental and economic values and baseline scientific survey of the south western region*, by Fitzpatrick, B., Davenport, A., Penrose, H. et alia (2019), and I ask:

- (a) is the Minister aware of the findings of this report;
- (b) to what extent does the Minister agree that climate change presents a tangible threat to our coral ecosystems;
- (c) does the Minister agree that the frequency and severity of current coral bleaching events, along with the risk of such events, are generally greater than previous decades;
- (d) does the Minister agree that Western Australia’s coral systems are ecologically and aesthetically invaluable, and of vital importance to tourism and recreation in the area;
- (e) can the Minister advise whether any action is currently being undertaken by Government in relation to coral bleaching in the State:
 - (i) if yes to (e), would the Minister further explain the action;
- (f) considering that the world heritage-listed Ningaloo Reef sits within the area, does the Government intend to intensively monitor the situation:
 - (i) if yes to (f), what form will this take;
 - (ii) if no to (f), why not; and
- (g) does the Minister agree that anthropogenic factors are contributing to coral bleaching globally:
 - (i) if no to (g), would the Minister provide evidence to the contrary?

2836. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Mines and Petroleum:

I refer to question without notice 115, asked on 19 February 2020, and the answers supplied, regarding the Wiluna uranium mine, and I ask:

- (a) would the Minister please table:
 - (i) any monitoring and compliance reports from Toro Energy, over the last 18 months, regarding the ‘resource evaluation pit’;
 - (ii) any reports, relating to (a)(i), from the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety; and
 - (iii) any reports from the proponent, or Department, in relation to the recent flooding in Wiluna;
 - (iv) if no to (i)-(iii), why not;
- (b) given that conditions for the tenement focus on surface-level radiation, is there currently any testing for the seepage of the contents of ‘resource evaluation pit’, into Lake Way:
 - (i) if no to (b), does the Department intend to do so;

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- (ii) if yes to (b)(i), can the Minister advise when this is expected to occur;
- (c) can the Minister confirm that tenement 53/244, the site of the Wiluna project test pit, carries a condition by which the proponent must report not less than annually to the Department:
 - (i) if yes to (c), can the Minister please table the reports from 2019; and
- (d) can the Minister confirm that tenement 53/244, the site of the Wiluna project test pit, carries a condition by which the proponent must submit a Mine Closure Plan (MCP) in 2019:
 - (i) if yes to (d), did the Department receive a MCP in relation to the Wiluna site;
 - (ii) if yes to (d)(i), would the Minister please table the MCP; and
 - (iii) if no to (d)(i), does the Minister consider this a breach of conditions by the proponent;
 - (iv) if yes to (d)(iii), how does the Minister intend to redress the matter?

2837. Hon Dr Steve Thomas to the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the Minninup Forest block (the block) in Stirling Estate in Stratham, and I ask:

- (a) has the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) had any discussion with the Australian Wildlife Conservancy (AWC) about the block;
- (b) if yes to (a), did those discussion involve AWC managing the block;
- (c) did AWC offer to fence the block and rehabilitate it at their own expense;
- (d) if yes to (c), was this offer accepted or rejected, and why; and
- (e) was there any discussion with local DBCA representatives in the South West or the local community, about the AWC interest in the block;
- (f) what is the DBCA future plan for the rehabilitation and ongoing regeneration of the ecosystem, in the block?

2838. Hon Dr Steve Thomas to the Minister for Environment representing the Treasurer:

I refer to question without notice 1574 asked on 5 December 2019, and question on notice 2603, answered on 29 November 2019, and I ask:

- (a) what would be the saving for the business community and additional annual total cost to the Government of Western Australia, if the initial threshold at which payroll tax applied, was lifted from the 1 January 2021, the Government's proposed \$1 million threshold to:
 - (i) \$1.1 million;
 - (ii) \$1.2 million;
 - (iii) \$1.3 million; and
 - (iv) \$1.4 million;
 - (v) \$1.5 million?

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2839. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Regional Development:

I refer to the historic Pilbara town of Cossack, the 2017 WA Labor document 'Plan for the Pilbara', and the City of Karratha's Local Planning Scheme No. 8, Amendment No. 44, relating to developments in the town, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister please advise what progress, in a general sense, has been made in revitalising the town:
 - (i) specifically in relation to the lands' designation with a view to development;
 - (ii) specifically in relation to the ability of landholders to develop their freehold properties;
- (b) how much of the 425 million dollars, committed under the Government's 'Plan for the Pilbara', has been budgeted solely for Cossack town:
 - (i) of the amount in (b), how much has been spent to date; and
 - (ii) would the Minister please table the budget for Cossack, referred to in (b);
 - (iii) if no to (b)(ii), why not;
- (c) would the Minister give comment on the Government's plan for Cossack town, in regards to recreational, tourism, or heritage opportunities;
- (d) does the Government intend to fund the ongoing preservation of Cossack and its heritage values;
- (e) would the Minister give reason as to why the Planning Scheme Amendment, by the City of Karratha, allowing development and investment opportunity at Cossack, was rejected by Government:
 - (i) if no to (e), why not;
 - (ii) can the Minister confirm that the proposed amendment was sound in regard to administrative procedures and environmental considerations;
- (f) does the Minister agree that a lack of private development places the onus of preserving Cossack onto the State;
- (g) can the Minister comment on the viability of the town of Cossack coming under the administration of the National Trust (WA), or similar heritage entity;
- (h) at present, can Cossack landowners apply to construct small-scale temporary facilities such as caravan parks and campsites:
 - (i) if no to (f), does the Government intend to permit such developments in the future;
- (i) does the Minister agree that the restrictions on development represent a sizeable opportunity cost for persons who invested in land in Cossack:
 - (i) if yes to (g), does the Government intend to buy back these plots, so that the heritage sites are State-owned;
- (j) does the Minister consider it possible to promote the heritage values of Cossack, whilst also allowing the town to be enjoyed by visitors:
 - (i) if yes to (j), could the Minister give comment on the Government's plans to achieve this; and

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- (k) has the Department liaised with local Indigenous representatives to discuss the future of Cossack:
 - (i) if yes to (k), which group or persons did the Department contact;
 - (ii) if yes to (k), can the Minister advise of the outcomes?

2840. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment:

I refer to the Kimberley Region, as defined by the cumulative area falling within the boundaries of the Shires of Broome, Derby-West Kimberley, Halls Creek and Wyndham-East Kimberley, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister please table a map outlining all the current conservation estate, if possible inclusive of Indigenous Protected Areas, falling within the Kimberley region?

2841. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs:

I refer to the Kimberley Region, as defined by the cumulative area falling within the boundaries of the Shires of Broome, Derby-West Kimberley, Halls Creek and Wyndham-East Kimberley, and I ask:

- (a) can the Minister please table a map outlining all current Indigenous Protected Areas, falling within the Kimberley region;
- (b) can the Minister please table a map of the current boundaries of the Uunguu Indigenous Protected Area (UIPA);
- (c) has any application been made to redefine the boundaries of the UIPA:
 - (i) if no to (c), has your Department been involved in any discussions, formal or otherwise, about redefining the boundaries of the UIPA; and
 - (ii) if yes to (c), when was that application made and what was the nature of the application;
 - (iii) if yes to (c(i)), on what occasions were these discussions held, and what was the nature of those discussions; and
- (d) what is the process for changing the boundaries of an Indigenous Protected Area, and from which statutory bodies are permissions required?

2842. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Water:

I refer to the Port Hedland Regional Water Supply Scheme (PHRWSS), and I ask:

- (a) in the Ministers own words, what is the PHRWSS;
- (b) what infrastructure forms part of the PHRWSS;
- (c) which private sector entities have ownership interests in the assets of the PHRWSS;
- (d) what has been the yield taken from the Yule Borefield (YB), for each of the past 20 full reporting years;
- (e) what has been the allocation limit for the YB for each of the past 20 full reporting years;
- (f) what has been the yield taken from the Namagoorie Borefield (NB) for each of the past 20 full reporting years;
- (g) what has been the allocation limit for the NB for each of the past 20 full reporting years;
- (h) what has been the yield taken from the Bulgarene Borefield (BB) for each of the past 20 full reporting years;

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- (i) what has been the allocation limit for the BB for each of the past 20 full reporting years;
- (j) are there any aquifers other than the YB, NB, and BB supplying the PHRWSS:
 - (i) if yes to (j), would the Minister please table the yield taken from each aquifer, for this year, and the last 20 years, where applicable;
 - (ii) if yes to (j), would the Minister please table the allocation limits for each aquifer, for this year, and the last 20 years, where applicable;
- (k) what total volume of water has been supplied by the PHRWSS for each of the past 20 reporting years:
 - (i) of the amounts in (k), what volume has been supplied, per annum, for this year and the previous 20 reporting years, by the PHRWSS, for residential use; and
 - (ii) of the amounts in (k), what volume has been supplied, per annum, for this year and the previous 20 reporting years, by the PHRWSS, for industrial use;
 - (iii) of the amounts in (k), what volume has been supplied, per annum, for this year and the previous 20 reporting years, by the PHRWSS, under bulk supply or other agreements outside of residential or industrial use;
- (l) within the boundaries of the Town of Port Hedland, are there any major users of water not serviced by the PHRWSS:
 - (i) if yes to (l), who are those major users, and from where do they source their water;
- (m) what total charges for all customers (residential, industrial, other - including bulk supply agreements), as split out by Water Use Charges and Service Charges, have been levied for each of the past ten full reporting years in respect of the supply of water by the PHRWSS;
- (n) what total charges for residential customers, as split out by Water Use Charges and Service Charges, have been levied for each of the past ten full reporting years in respect of the supply of water by the PHRWSS;
- (o) what total charges for industrial customers, as split out by Water Use Charges and Service Charges, have been levied for each of the past ten full reporting years in respect of the supply of water by the PHRWSS;
- (p) are new water sources for the PHRWSS being investigated:
 - (i) if yes to (p), what source(s);
 - (ii) if yes to (p), have site investigations been conducted; and
- (q) when does the Minister expect a final decision to be made, regarding the sourcing of new water supplies, for the supply of water to the PHRWSS?

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2843. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Water:

Regarding the Yule Bore field in the Pilbara, and with reference to the document uploaded at <https://robinchapple.com/longitudinal-and-latitudinal-coordinates-bores-yule-borefield-pilbara>, I ask:

- (a) what were the Recharge Classes, the corresponding assigned m AHD Variable Performance Indicator Levels, and the actual recorded m AHD levels, for each of the bores in the referenced document, for each monitoring period, for each of the past 10 reporting years;
- (b) were there any monitoring bores, in addition to those listed in the referenced document, from which data was recorded in the Yule Bore field (YB):
 - (i) if yes to (b), could the Minister identify these bores; and
 - (ii) if yes to (b), what were the Recharge Classes, the corresponding assigned m AHD Variable Performance Indicator Levels, and the actual recorded m AHD levels for each of those bores, for each monitoring period, for each of the past 10 reporting years;
 - (iii) if yes to (b), what were the Performance Indicator Levels, as measured in TDS mg/L, and the actual recorded TDS mg/L levels, for each of those bores, for each monitoring period, for each of the past 10 reporting years;
- (c) what were the Performance Indicator Levels, as measured in TDS mg/L, and the actual recorded TDS mg/L levels, for each of the listed bores referenced in the document, for each monitoring period, for each of the past 10 reporting years;
- (d) what specific studies have been undertaken in relation to the health of groundwater-dependent vegetation within the YB within the past 10 years; and
- (e) what is the general health of groundwater dependent vegetation within the YB at this time;
- (f) what monitoring locations have been set up to assess ecological health within the YB?

2844. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Regional Development representing the Minister for Water:

I refer to the monitoring bores of the Namagoorie Borefield (NB), in regards to the document uploaded at <https://robinchapple.com/longitudinal-and-latitudinal-coordinates-bores-namagoorie-borefield-pilbara>, and I ask:

- (a) what were the Recharge Classes, the corresponding assigned m AHD Variable Performance Indicator Levels, and the actual recorded m AHD levels for each of the listed bores for each monitoring period for each of the past 10 reporting years;
- (b) were there any monitoring bores, in addition to those outlined in (a), from which data was recorded in the NB:
 - (i) if yes to (b), would the Minister please identify these bores; and
 - (ii) if yes to (b), what were the Recharge Classes, the corresponding assigned m AHD Variable Performance Indicator Levels, and the actual recorded m AHD levels for each of those bores for each monitoring period for each of the past 10 reporting years;

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- (iii) if yes to (b), what were the Performance Indicator Levels, as measured in TDS mg/L, and the actual recorded TDS mg/L levels, for each of those bores for each monitoring period for each of the past 10 reporting years;
- (c) what were the Performance Indicator Levels, as measured in TDS mg/L, and the actual recorded TDS mg/L levels, for each of the listed bores, for each monitoring period for each of the past 10 reporting years;
- (d) what specific studies have been undertaken in relation to the health of groundwater-dependent vegetation within the NB within the past 10 years; and
- (e) what is the general health of groundwater-dependent vegetation within the NB at this time;
- (f) what monitoring locations have been set up to assess ecological health within the NB?

2845. Hon Alison Xamon to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Mental Health:

I refer to mental health and alcohol and other drug (AOD) services in Geraldton, and I ask:

- (a) please advise for each of the years 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-to date:
 - (i) the number of mental health beds; and
 - (ii) the number of AOD residential treatment beds;
 - (iii) the number of AOD non-residential treatment places;
- (b) are there currently waiting lists for:
 - (i) mental health beds; and
 - (ii) AOD residential treatment;
 - (iii) AOD non-residential treatment; and
- (c) if yes to (b)(i), (ii) or (iii), please advise how many people are on the waiting list?

2846. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Police:

I refer to work undertaken by West Australian Police about hate crimes, and I ask, will the Minister please table the following documents:

- (a) “Western Australia Police Force assessment of crime trends based on prejudice towards the diverse sexuality and gender community”;
- (b) “LGBTIQ+ Community Crime and Safety Survey”;
- (c) Executive Briefing notes regarding the above survey (final/latest draft); and
- (d) Executive Briefing notes that capture evaluation of the intelligence assessment (final/latest draft);
- (e) if no to any of (a), (b), (c) or (d), why not?

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2847. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Corrective Services:

I refer to Melaleuca Remand and Reintegration Facility, and I ask:

- (a) how many psychiatrist full time employees (FTE), are currently contracted to, or employed at the facility;
- (b) how many of the FTE positions from (a), are currently filled; and
- (c) how many mental health nurse FTE, are currently contracted to, or employed at the facility;
- (d) how many of the FTE positions from (c), are currently filled?

2848. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Environment representing the Minister for Corrective Services:

- (1) Which prisons currently do not receive regular weekly visits from Aboriginal Visitors Scheme staff?
- (2) Why are the sites from (1), not part of the Aboriginal Visitors Scheme?

2849. Hon Alison Xamon to the Minister for Disability Services:

I refer to recommendations made by the Mentally Impaired Accused Review Board (MIARB), and I ask:

- (a) on how many occasions did MIARB determine an individual be detained in the Disability Justice Centre in:
 - (i) 2018-19;
 - (ii) 2019-to date; and
- (b) in how many cases from (a)(i) and (a)(ii), did the Minister override MIARB's determination, and instead recommend the individual be detained in prison?

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2850. Hon Alison Xamon to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Child Protection:

- (1) How many children are under the care of the Department of Child Protection:
 - (a) across the whole of Western Australia;
 - (b) in the Perth metropolitan area?
- (2) How many approved foster carers are there:
 - (a) across the whole of Western Australia;
 - (b) in the Perth metropolitan area?
- (3) How many approved family carers are there:
 - (a) across the whole of Western Australia;
 - (b) in the Perth metropolitan area?
- (4) How many residential placements are funded:
 - (a) across the whole of Western Australia;
 - (b) in the Perth metropolitan area?
- (5) How many residential placements are currently vacant:
 - (a) across the whole of Western Australia;
 - (b) in the Perth metropolitan area?

2851. Hon Jacqui Boydell to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Local Government:

I refer to the recent decision of the Commissioner for the Town of Port Hedland, to reduce backdated rates payable by BHP, FMG and Roy Hill, from 100 percent to 25 percent across 4 years, and I ask:

- (a) will the Minister table the dates of any conversations between the Minister and the Town of Port Hedland Commissioner, Fred Reibling, in relation to the backdating of rates;
- (b) will the Minister table any correspondence received between the Minister and the Town of Port Hedland, from February 2017 to date, including employees and past or current elected representatives to do with the rates issue;
- (c) will the Minister advise which stakeholders and or external agencies were consulted with in the lead up to this decision being made; and
- (d) was the Minister informed by the Town of Port Hedland, about the decision to seek reduced back rates, before it was revealed by the council;
- (e) if yes to (d), when?

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2852. Hon Jacqui Boydell to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health:

I refer to the Karratha Health Campus and Port Hedland Hospital, and I ask:

- (a) how many patients have been admitted to the general ward, each month at each campus, since 2017 for Port Hedland Hospital, or the opening of the Karratha Health Campus;
- (b) how many patients have presented at the emergency department, on each month since in the same timelines;
- (c) of those patients in (b), what are the waiting times for ATS 1-5 patients;
- (d) how many patients have been admitted to the short stay unit at Karratha Health Campus, since its opening;
- (e) how many instances of “bed blocking”, where all emergency department and general ward beds are occupied, have occurred since the opening of the Karratha Health Campus, and since 2017 for Port Hedland Hospital;
- (f) if any instances occurred in (e), where are patients who are waiting to be admitted placed; and
- (g) on how many occasions has a patient been delayed admission to the hospital, due to a lack of beds on the ward;
- (h) for each separate hospital, please outline monthly staffing levels for both doctors and nurses in both full-time employee terms, and actually staff numbers, both permanent and locum in the timelines previously mentioned.?

2853. Hon Nick Goiran to the Minister for Education and Training:

I refer to the Minister’s response to question without notice 68, which stated that, since the school year had commenced, Statewide Services had received updated Risk Assessment and Management Plans (RAMP) for all five of the alleged offenders, recommencing school with their victims, and I ask:

- (a) on what dates were each of the updated RAMP received;
- (b) how many current RAMP are presently in the possession of Statewide Services; and
- (c) further to (b), how many relate to schools in:
 - (i) the metropolitan area; and
 - (ii) regional Western Australia?

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Clerk of the Legislative Council