#### WESTERN AUSTRALIA

# LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

# **QUESTIONS**

No. 114

# Wednesday, 15 November 2006

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- 4143. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure (SO 138(d) response September 21 2006)
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### Notice Given Tuesday, 17 October 2006

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- 4214. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for the Mid West and Wheatbelt
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- 4216. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development
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- 4224. Hon Helen Morton to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Sport and Recreation
- 4225. Hon Helen Morton to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy
- 4226. Hon Helen Morton to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Science and Innovation
- 4227. Hon Helen Morton to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Resources and Assisting the Minister for State Development
- 4228. Hon Helen Morton to the Leader of the House representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Public Sector Management
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- 4233. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Racing and Gaming
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- 4235. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for Employment Protection
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- 4237. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 4238. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for Corrective Services
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- 4250. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Education and Training
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- 4258. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Culture and the Arts
- 4259. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Disability Services
- 4260. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests
- 4261. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Agriculture and Food

- 4262. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Forestry
- 4263. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for the Mid West and Wheatbelt
- 4264. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Education and Training
- 4265. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development
- 4266. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Fisheries
- 4267. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne
- 4268. Hon Helen Morton to the Leader of the House representing the Premier
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- 4298. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Small Business
- 4299. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Education and Training
- 4300. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Community Development
- 4301. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Seniors and Volunteering
- 4302. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Youth
- 4303. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 4304. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
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- 4306. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Tourism
- 4307. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Culture and the Arts
- 4308. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Disability Services
- 4309. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests

### Notice Given Thursday, 26 October 2006

4310. Hon Simon O'Brien to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

### Notice Given Tuesday, 31 October 2006

- 4312. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 4313. Hon Anthony Fels to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Housing and Works
- 4314. Hon Giz Watson to the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for the Environment

## Notice Given Wednesday, 1 November 2006

- 4315. Hon Robyn McSweeney to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Community Development
- 4316. Hon Helen Morton to the Minister for Education and Training
- 4317. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Agriculture and Food
- 4318. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Forestry
- 4319. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for the Mid West and Wheatbelt
- 4320. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training
- 4321. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development
- 4322. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Fisheries
- 4323. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne
- 4324. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Premier
- 4325. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Public Sector Management
- 4326. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for State Development
- 4327. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Federal Affairs

- 4328. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Water Resources
- 4329. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Sport and Recreation
- 4330. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy
- 4331. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Science and Innovation
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- 4333. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Public Sector Management
- 4334. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Federal Affairs
- 4335. Hon Donna Faragher to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Peel and the South West
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- 4338. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Racing and Gaming
- 4339. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for Women's Interests
- 4340. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for Employment Protection
- 4341. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for Goldfields-Esperance and Great Southern
- 4342. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 4343. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for Corrective Services
- 4344. Hon Donna Faragher to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for Community Safety
- 4345. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Attorney General
- 4346. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health
- 4347. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Electoral Affairs
- 4348. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Deputy Premier

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- 4349. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Government Enterprises
- 4350. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Housing and Works
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- 4352. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Heritage
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- 4358. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Youth
- 4359. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister Assisting the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 4360. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 4361. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Indigenous Affairs
- 4362. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Tourism
- 4363. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Culture and the Arts
- 4364. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Disability Services
- 4365. Hon Donna Faragher to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Citizenship and Multicultural Interests

# Notice Given Thursday, 2 November 2006

- 4366. Hon Murray Criddle to the Minister for Education and Training
- 4367. Hon Helen Morton to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Public Sector Management
- 4368. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

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4369. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for the Environment

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- 4370. Hon Anthony Fels to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Community Development
- 4371. Hon George Cash to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Energy
- 4372. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health
- 4373. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health
- 4374. Hon Helen Morton to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Health
- 4375. Hon Peter Collier to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure
- 4376. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services
- 4377. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for Community Safety
- 4378. Hon Peter Collier to the Minister for Local Government and Regional Development representing the Minister for Police and Emergency Services

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4379. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Water Resources I refer to the Water Corporation's Walpole Waste Water project, under the direction of the Water Corporation's Project Manager Mr Brad Taylor, and ask -

- (1) Given the current known and future projected water shortages throughout Western Australia, the criticality of oceans as the drivers of climate, and the predicted collapse of the world's fish stocks by 2050, will the Minister explain why the Water Corporation continues to strongly advocate a system for dealing with Walpole's sewerage, that will require the excessive use of water and/or pollute our ocean?
- (2) Given that the Walpole Waste Water Community Reference Group (CRG) has steadfastly rejected pumping treated effluent into Nornalup Inlet, and the advice of the Water Corporation's Project Manager Brad Taylor gives in a letter to Mr Vaughan Bellanger dated 18 October 2006, that 'the Water Corporation does not envisage this option fitting in with the principles of the new marine park proposal', why does the Water Corporation continue to present the use of Nornalup Inlet as a dumping ground for waste water as an option for the CRG's consideration?
- (3) What research has the Water Corporation undertaken to investigate the potential of alternative sewerage treatment systems for Walpole that do no involve infiltration or pumping treated waste water into Nornalup Inlet or the ocean or a treelot?
- (4) If the Water Corporation has not investigated alternatives, why not?
- (5) If the Water Corporation has investigated alternative options, where is the documentation and why have these options not been fully presented with supportive technical and scientific evidence to the CRG for consideration?
- (6) The minutes of the CRG meeting of 10 October 2006 state that the independent facilitator advised the CRG members that 'if the CRG could not reach a united recommendation (from the final four options presented), then the relevance of the CRG in the planning process would be diminished.' Can the Minister confirm that that minuted advice is an accurate reflection of the Water Corporation's intent?
- (7) Could the Minister please outline the performance and outcomes criteria included in the contract and brief under which the Water Corporation's independent facilitator has been engaged to facilitate the deliberations of the CRG?
- (8) If no to (7), why not?
- (9) Are there financial or other incentives attached to those criteria?
- (10) If yes to (9), what are they?
- (11) Given that the CRG is defined by the Water Corporation as representatives of the local community, why does it include two Water Corporation officers as members with voting rights?

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- (12) Given that local community representatives are not professional advocates or communicators, why has each meeting of the CRG not included a final session which identifies what further information is required from, and consultation is required with, the wider local community, and action plans developed to ensure that due process is conducted effectively and transparently?
- 4380. Hon Ray Halligan to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Housing and Works
- (1) Can the Minister confirm that employees, of the Scheme Manager of the Government funded Keystart Program, did not initially receive their superannuation entitlements for the 2005-2006 financial year?
- (2) How many people did not initially receive their full entitlements?
- (3) What was the total value of the unpaid superannuation?
- When was the Government first informed of this failure to provide superannuation payments to the employees of the Scheme Manager?
- (5) When was the Minister made aware of this failure to provide superannuation payments to the employees of the Scheme Manager?
- (6) Are the same people who were the Scheme Managers in this instance still engaged by the Government to fulfil this role?
- 4381. Hon Giz Watson to the Leader of the House representing the Premier

Regarding the press release on 20 October 2006 establishing a North-West Corridor Co-ordinating Committee (NWCCC), I ask -

- (1) Have the terms of reference (TOR) of the Committee been established?
- (2) If yes to (1), will the Minister table them?
- (3) If yes to (1), does the TOR include social and environmental sustainability?
- (4) If no to (3), why not?
- (5) What is the proposed composition of the NWCCC?
- (6) If Members of Parliament are to be on the NWCCC, how will they be selected?
- (7) How many community representatives will be on the NWCCC?
- (8) How will community members be selected?
- (9) Will the minutes and decisions of the NWCCC meetings be publicly available?
- (10) If no to (9), why not?

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4382. Hon Bruce Donaldson to the Minister for Fisheries

In the 28 September 2006 edition of the *Busselton Margaret River Times* it was reported that, in response to Vasse MLA Troy Buswell's request to completely remove commercial fishing from Geographe Bay, the Minister was contemplating a range of options to address the fisheries resource sharing issue in Geographe Bay, and these options range from minor changes to the existing management regime through to the complete removal of commercial fisheries -

- (1) What professional fisheries operate in Geographe Bay?
- (2) Which of these professional fisheries are in conflict with recreational fisheries in the Bay?
- (3) Is The Minister aware of the recent article titled 'Geographe Bay's fishing frenzy' in the 2 November edition of the *Busselton Margaret River Times* that quotes 'In the words of Mr Fishing- Rusty Ellis from Ocean to Outback- the Bay has been 'going off' and then lists the considerable abundance of fish being taken by recreational anglers in the Bay?
- What is the exact nature of the resource sharing issue for those professional fisheries identified by the Minister in (2) above?
- (5) What is the estimated number of recreational fishers who have fished in the fishing block that encompasses Geographe Bay in the following years -
  - (a) 2000;
  - (b) 2001;
  - (c) 2002;
  - (d) 2003;
  - (e) 2004; and
  - (f) 2005?
- (6) What is the estimated average success rate per recreational fisher fishing in the fishing block that encompasses Geographe Bay for the following species in each of the years listed in (5) above -
  - (a) pink snapper;
  - (b) queen snapper;
  - (c) dhufish;
  - (d) breaksea cod;
  - (e) samson fish;
  - (f) skipjack;
  - (g) squid;
  - (h) shark;
  - (i) whiting;
  - (j) herring;

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- (k) tailor;
- (l) garfish; and
- (m) salmon?
- (7) What was the total catch by recreational fishers for each of the species listed in 6) above for each of the years listed in (5) above for the fishing block that encompasses Geographe Bay?
- (8) What is the number of professional fishers who have fished in the fishing block that encompasses Geographe Bay for the years listed in (5) above?
- (9) What was the total catch by professional fishers for each of the species listed in (6) above for each of the years listed in (5) above for the fishing block that encompasses Geographe Bay?
- (10) The *Busselton Margaret River Times* article of 28 September makes reference to a meeting that the Minister had with stakeholders in the region about a year ago on the matter, and I ask -
  - (a) where and on what date did the meeting take place;
  - (b) who was present a the meeting;
  - (c) who chaired the meeting;
  - (d) what was discussed at the meeting;
  - (e) what were the outcomes from the meeting; and
  - (f) what undertakings did the Minister give to those present at the meeting?
- (11) Has the Minister held any meetings with Geographe Bay professional fishermen in relation to the option of closing the Bay to professional fishermen?
- (12) If yes to (11),
  - (a) where and on what dates did any such meetings take place;
  - (b) who was present at any such meeting; and
  - (c) what were the outcomes from any such meeting?
- (13) If no to (11),
  - (a) why not; and
  - (b) when does the Minister intend to meet with affected Geographe Bay professional fishers?
- 4383. Hon Paul Llewellyn to the Minister for Education and Training representing the Minister for the Environment

I refer to the killing of endangered western ringtail possums in State forest logging operations, and I ask -

(1) Is the Minister aware that the Department of Conservation and Land Management research (Kingston study mid 1990's) shows that logging operations kill possums?

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- (2) Is the Minister aware that the wester ringtail possum is recognised under State legislation as a species requiring special protection?
- (3) Can the Minister confirm that under the current Regional Forest Agreement the western ringtail possum is offered no effective (audited/auditable) protection during logging operations in State forests?
- (4) If no to (3), what effective (audited/auditable) protection is offered?
- (5) Is the Minister aware that the clearing of western ringtail possum habitat on privately owned land is regulated to avoid and minimise the likelihood of western ringtail possums being killed during operations?
- (6) Is the Minister aware that the western ringtail possum is resident in forest around and/or within Arcadia forest block?
- (7) Given that the western ringtail possum is recognised under State legislation to require special protection, and given that under the Regional Forest Agreement that protection is not offered, and given that western ringtail possums occupy Arcadia forest block, can the Minister please explain why he failed to prohibit logging of Arcadia forest block in 2006?

# MALCOLM PEACOCK

Acting Clerk of the Legislative Council