

QUESTION ON NOTICE
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MS JARRATT asked the Minister for Primary Industries and Fisheries (MR PALASZCZUK)—

QUESTION:

Will he provide details about the expenditure of money generated by the Stocked Impoundment Permit Scheme in Queensland?

ANSWER:

The Stocked Impoundment Permit (SIP) Scheme applies to 29 dams throughout Queensland and was introduced to further support the development of recreational fisheries throughout regional Queensland.

The Scheme has proved to be very effective and has raised over \$1.8 million to improve the quality of freshwater recreational fishing since its introduction in July 2000. The Government has proposed to increase the Scheme by adding an additional two impoundments. This proposal is contained in a Regulatory Impact Statement that is currently available for public comment.

SIP funds are distributed to community-based fish stocking groups for the purchase of fish fingerlings for stocking into dams associated with the Scheme as well as other activities aimed at enhancing the local fisheries.

To date, funding from the Scheme has resulted in the release of more than 4.5 million native fish fingerlings into the 29 dams that are on the Scheme.

The Permit Scheme supplements funds raised by volunteer members of the community-based fish stocking groups to enable continued improvement for Queensland's freshwater fisheries.

I have recently announced the distribution of over \$460,000 for the 2005/06 financial year. The allocation of SIP funds to specific impoundments is attached.

The Permit Scheme ensures that quality freshwater recreational fishing opportunities continue to be available for the community to enjoy while helping to decrease pressure on river fisheries. Stocking fish into impoundments is necessary as many freshwater fish species are unable to breed in closed systems such as dams.

Annual financial summaries including a breakdown of the number and species of fish stocked into each dam as a result of funding from the Scheme is available on the Department's website - www.dpi.qld.gov.au/fishweb/10054.html.

Stocked Impoundment Permit Scheme Dams

Dam on Scheme	Stocking Group	Nearest Town	2004-2005 Allocation
Burdekin Falls Dam	Burdekin Fish Restocking Association Inc.	Ravenswood	\$24 825
Wivenhoe Dam	Somerset and Wivenhoe Fish Stocking Association Inc.	Fernvale	\$28 279
Lake Monduran (Fred Haigh Dam)	Monduran Anglers and Stocking Association	Gin Gin	\$36 973
Peter Faust Dam	Faust Dam Fish Stocking Association Inc.	Proserpine	\$32 297
Somerset Dam	Somerset and Wivenhoe Fish Stocking Association Inc.	Esk	\$40 028
Tinaroo Dam	Tableland Fish Stocking Society Inc.	Atherton	\$36 619
Bjelke Petersen Dam	Bjelke Petersen Dam Fish Management Committee Inc.	Murgon	\$30 922
Boondooma Dam	Boondooma Dam Fish Stocking and Management Association Inc.	Proston	\$26 514
Wuruma Dam	Wuruma Dam Fish Restocking Association Inc.	Eidsvold	13 512
Coolmunda Dam	Lake Coolmunda Aquatic Club Inc.	Inglewood	\$19 943
Leslie Dam	Warwick District Recreational Fish Stocking Association Inc.	Warwick	\$17 795
Teemburra Dam	Mackay Area Fish Stocking Association Inc.	Mackay	\$15 930
Kinchant Dam	Mackay Area Fish Stocking Association Inc.	Mackay	\$8279
Moogerah Dam	Maroon-Moogerah Fish Management Association	Kalbar	\$10 599
Eungella Dam	Mackay Area Fish Stocking Association Inc.	Eungella	\$7816
Cania Dam	Cania Dam Fish Stocking Association Inc.	Monto	\$11 982
Borumba Dam	Borumba Fishing Club Inc.	Imbil	\$12 144
Lenthalls Dam	Fraser Coast Fish Stocking Association Inc.	Howard	\$7721
Lake Clarendon	Lockyer Valley Fish Restocking and Management Association Inc.	Gatton	\$3830
Maroon Dam	Maroon-Moogerah Fish Management Association	Boonah	\$8628

Lake Macdonald	Lake MacDonald Freshwater Fishing Association	Cooroy	\$5477
Gordonbrook Dam	Kingaroy Shire Council (Gordonbrook Dam Fish Management Committee)	Kingaroy	Dam closed due to blue-green algae
Isis Balancing Storage (Lake Gregory)	Bundaberg Sportfishing Club Inc. Fish Stocking Committee	Bundaberg	\$4562
Bill Gunn Dam (Lake Dyer)	Lockyer Valley Fish Restocking and Management Association Inc.	Laidley	\$2645
Connolly Dam	Warwick District Recreational Fish Stocking Association Inc.	Warwick	\$1723
Callide Dam	Callide Valley Native Fish Stocking Association Inc.	Biloela	\$15 900
Cooby Dam	Toowoomba and District Fish Stocking Association Inc.	Hampton	\$8985
Cressbrook Dam	Toowoomba and District Fish Stocking Association Inc.	Crows Nest	\$13 213
Glenlyon Dam	Glenlyon Dam Fish Restocking Group Inc.	Texas	\$17 897