

QUESTION ON NOTICE
No. 702
Asked on Tuesday, 22 May 2007

MR HORAN asked the Minister for Primary Industries and Fisheries (MR MULHERIN)-

QUESTION:

With reference to the reports of the future closure of the department's Yeerongpilly facility—

- (1) What sections are currently based at the facility and how many people work in each section?
- (2) What are the timeframes to move each of these sections, reported separately, and where will each section be moved to?

ANSWER:

(1) and (2)

As of May 2007 the anticipated relocation date is December 2010 subject to the Managing Contractor's construction schedule for the new Ecosciences Precinct at Boggo Road and the Health and Food Sciences Precinct at Coopers Plains.

These two state-of-the-art science precincts will be welcomed additions to Queensland's research community as they will position us as a global leader in finding the balance between developing strong industries, lowering the impact on our natural environment and enhancing our quality of life.

I draw the Member's attention to the fact that the number of employees referred to in this reply reflects the current suite of projects. Some projects will be completed prior to 2010 and new projects may commence.

Currently 109 employees are engaged on Animal Sciences projects, 82 are engaged by Biosecurity Queensland and 6 are employed on Regional Services.

Staff have been fully advised of the timeframes associated with the planned relocations and the expected timeframes ranging from December 2009 to April 2011.