

**Question on Notice  
No. 656  
Asked on Wednesday, 30 April 2008**

QUESTION:

**MR WELLS** asked the Minister for Sustainability, Climate Change and Innovation (Mr McNamara) —

Will the Minister advise as to the environmental consequences of the fire at the tannery in the Narangba Industrial Estate on 28 April?

ANSWER:

I am pleased to advise that the environmental consequences of the 28 April 2008 fire at Tasman Tannery, located in the Narangba Industrial Estate, were minimised by the quick response from officers of the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service, Queensland Health and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

EPA officers were in attendance at the fire within an hour of it being reported. They provided advice to members of the Queensland Fire and Rescue Service of possible risks to the environment presented by chemicals used in the tannery process.

All firewater runoff was contained within the onsite storage ponds which have sufficient capacity to contain the water for the foreseeable future.

The EPA has been in contact with the Tannery owner regarding the disposal of the firewater and ongoing environmental management of the site.