

## QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 1499

asked on Thursday, 8 October 2009

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MR ELMES ASKED THE MINISTER FOR CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABILITY (MS JONES)—

### QUESTION:

With reference to the oil spill off the Queensland Coast earlier this year—  
Would the Minister advise where the oil and sand that was cleaned off all affected beaches was dumped?

### ANSWER:

The oil spill from the Pacific Adventurer in March this year affected the beaches of Moreton Island, Bribie Island and the Sunshine Coast.

Substantial resources were used by the State Government and local governments to collect and remove the oil impacted sand from the beaches to allow the beaches to return to their normal healthy condition. The oil impacted sands were transported to licensed waste management facilities for management in accordance with their environmental licence conditions.

The oil impacted sands from Moreton Island were transported to a licensed waste disposal facility at Willowbank.

The Bribie Island oil impacted sands were transported to a Moreton Bay Regional Council licensed waste disposal facility.

The Sunshine Coast oil impacted sands were transported to a Sunshine Coast Regional Council licensed waste disposal facility.

I would like to commend all workers who did all they could to minimise the loss of sand while ensuring all contaminates were removed.