

## QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 1735

asked on WEDNESDAY, 11 NOVEMBER 2009

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**MR DOWLING** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES, MINES AND ENERGY AND MINISTER FOR TRADE (MR ROBERTSON)—

QUESTION:

With reference the recent court ruling—

Will the Minister support residents of Redlands and Springwood and seek the removal of KRA 71 overlay extractive resources policy under the Integrated Planning Act from Mount Cotton super quarry?

ANSWER:

Key Resource Areas (KRAs) identified in the State Planning Policy 2/07: Protection of Extractive Resources are strategic planning tools designed to protect regionally significant extractive resources from sterilisation by incompatible developments. In the event that the resource is approved for supply of construction materials, KRAs also maintain an adequate separation distance between new residential developments and quarrying.

As such, identification of a resource as a KRA does not confer approval for extractive industry, as extractive industry applications must be assessed and decided in accordance with the Integrated Development Assessment System of the *Integrated Planning Act 1997*. The decision making rests with the relevant local government authority, in this case, the Redland City Council