

Question on Notice
No. 12
Asked on 13 February 2013

MS PALASZCZUK asked the Premier (MR NEWMAN)—

Will the Premier provide the House with a list of the recommendations of the Floods Commission of Inquiry, similar to that provided in the Queensland Government Response to the Queensland Floods Commission of Inquiry Final Report released on 7 June 2012, and outline for each recommendation the (a) progress made on implementation to date, (b) cost of implementation and (c) expected date of completion for each recommendation?

ANSWER:

The Government is continuing with implementation of the recommendations of the Queensland Floods Commission of Inquiry Final Report, many of which require long-term consideration of technical and complex issues. As at 28 February 2013, 54 recommendations had been implemented, of the 123 recommendations which fall within State responsibilities.

The recommendations which have been implemented are: 2.1, 2.11, 2.16, 4.2, 4.3, 5.9, 6.2, 7.6, 7.7, 7.8, 7.9, 9.1, 9.2, 9.3, 10.1, 10.5, 10.18, 10.19, 10.20, 10.21, 10.23, 13.3, 13.4, 13.7, 13.8, 13.9, 13.10, 13.11, 13.12, 13.13, 13.14, 13.15, 13.16, 13.17, 15.3, 15.4, 15.5, 15.10, 15.12, 16.1, 16.3, 17.1, 17.2, 17.10, 17.16, 17.17, 17.18, 17.19, 17.20, 17.21, 17.23, 17.24, 17.28 and 17.31.

Progress has been made on implementing all remaining recommendations. Five implementation groups were established within the Queensland Government to coordinate implementation of the Floods Commission's recommendations and provide regular reports on implementation progress to a CEO committee. The costs of implementation of individual recommendations are managed by the responsible agency in accordance with normal budgetary processes.

The Floods Commission of Inquiry Final Report made it clear that the Interim Report focused on those matters that needed to be addressed before the 2011-12 wet season, while the Final Report was directed at longer-term issues. The Government is continuing with its rigorous implementation process which will include careful and detailed consideration of the issues identified in the Final Report.