

QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 574

asked on Wednesday, 6 August 2014

MRS MILLER ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES AND MINES (MR CRIPPS)—

QUESTION:

With reference to Non-Government Question on Notice No.3 of 2014 Estimates process, in which the Minister was asked to detail the Department of Natural Resources and Mines funding for projects in 2012–13 and 2013–14 under the Reef Water Quality Protection Plan 2009 and for budgeted funding in 2014-15 and 2015–16 under the Reef Water Quality Protection Plan 2013 and given the Minister provided total funding for each two-year period—

Will the Minister now provide that funding, broken down by individual financial year?

ANSWER:

- (a) The table below provides details of funding that the Department of Natural Resources and Mines has expended in 2012–13 and 2013–14 and contracted or estimated to expend a minimum of in 2014–15 and 2015–16 financial years towards reef initiatives.
- (b) The total expenditure for 2015–16 is yet to be fully identified; however, the department has currently estimated \$10.6 million and the expected total for the 2015-16 fiscal year will be approximately \$17.0 million.

Programs	Delivery Agent	Contribution to Reef initiatives 2012-14			Contribution to Reef initiatives 2014-16		
		Actual 2012-13 (\$M)	Actual 2013-14 (\$M)	TOTAL 2012-14	Estimate 2014-15 (\$M)	Estimate 2015-16 (\$M)	TOTAL 2014-16
Vegetation management	Department of Natural Resources and Mines(DNRM)	2.40	1.64	4.04	1.64		1.64
State rural leasehold lands		1.00	0.69	1.69			
Water resource planning		3.50	2.70	6.2	2.75		2.75
Catchment and regional planning		0.79	0.35	1.14	0.35		0.35
Water monitoring		3.078	4.80	7.878	4.80	4.80	9.60
Paddock to Reef project delivered through five regional natural resource management regional groups	Burnett Mary Regional Group, Fitzroy Basin Association (FBA), Reef Catchment, North Queensland Dry Tropics and Terrain	3.95	4.24	8.19	3.844	3.47	7.314
Catchment loads monitoring	Department of Science,	0.50	0.50	1.00	0.50	0.50	1.00

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	Information Technology, Innovation and the Arts (DSITIA)						
Catchment loads modelling	DNRM	0.50	0.50	1.00	0.50	0.50	1.00
Wetlands program	Department of Environment and Heritage Protection	0.50	0.20	0.70	0.20	0.20	0.40
Wetlands in Agriculture	Department of Agriculture Fisheries and Forestry		0.10	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.20
Wetlands mapping and values assessment	DSITIA		0.20	0.20	0.25	0.15	0.40
Administration of Regional NRM Investment Program reef component	DNRM	0.60	0.60	1.20	0.60	0.60	1.20
Groundcover and riparian assessment	DSITIA		0.20	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.40
SSIMR data management for reef maintenance	DNRM	0.58	0.125	0.705	0.125	0.125	0.25
Enhancing Fitzroy monitoring program	FBA		0.61	0.61	0.50		0.50
Fitzroy water partnership for river health	FBA in 2012-14. 2015-16 to be determined, potentially through external contractor.		0.12	0.12	0.12		0.12
Paddock scale monitoring and modelling	DNRM	0.29	0.0	0.29	0.20		0.20
TOTAL		17.688	17.575	35.263	16.679	10.645	27.324