

QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 1907

asked on Wednesday, 27 November 2019

MR S KNUTH ASKED THE MINISTER FOR NATURAL RESOURCES, MINES AND ENERGY (HON DR A LYNHAM)—

QUESTION:

With reference to the Heathlands and Jardine River Resources Reserves that were invalidly declared in 1994—

Will the Minister provide details on (a) who approved the changes in the title records in 2007 that replaced unrevoked departmental and official purposes reserves with resources reserves and (b) any other resources reserves that were invalid and any action being taken to correct this?

ANSWER:

- (a) Records for the Heathlands and Jardine River resource reserves in the non-freehold land registry were created on the instructions of the former Environmental Protection Agency, in 2007.
- (b) Should there be any requirement to amend the records of any resource reserves in the non-freehold registry, the Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy will act on instructions from the Department of Environment and Science.

Resources reserves are dedicated in accordance with the provisions of the *Nature Conservation Act 1992* and any further information on this matter should be directed to the Honourable Leeanne Enoch, Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef, Minister for Science and Minister for the Arts.