

## Question on Notice

No. 1110

Asked on Tuesday, 25 October 2022

**MR A PERRETT** ASKED THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE GREAT BARRIER REEF AND MINISTER FOR SCIENCE AND YOUTH AFFAIRS (HON M SCANLON)—

### QUESTION:

With reference to camping, beach driving and other fees for the Inskip Peninsula, the Cooloola Recreation Area and the Great Sandy National Park and answer to Question on Notice No. 1202 of 2021—

Will the Minister advise for each above area for the 2021-22 year, (a) the beach driving fee and how much was collected, (b) the beach camping fee and how much was collected and (c) any other fees collected including what the fees were and how much was collected?

### ANSWER:

I thank the Member for the question.

Vehicle Access Permit (VAP) fees for the 2021-22 Financial Year are shown in the table below. These fees vary depending on length of permit.

<b>2021 – 22 Financial Year - Vehicle Access Permit (VAP) Fees (\$)</b>	
Cooloola daily VAP (Internet)	13.60
Cooloola daily VAP (Other eg. counter operations)	20.55
Cooloola weekly VAP	34.65
Cooloola and K'gari monthly VAP (individual)	54.55
Cooloola and K'gari annual VAP (individual)	274.50
Cooloola and K'gari (Fraser Island) monthly VAP (both areas)	87.60
Cooloola and K'gari (Fraser Island) annual VAP (both areas)	439.60

Camping fees (GST inclusive) for all National Parks and Recreation Areas in Queensland for the 2021-22 Financial year was \$6.85 per person, per night.

The Department of Environment and Science receives revenue from Commercial Activities, including permit application fees, commercial tour operator fees and daily fees for commercial activities on Park. As part of the Queensland Government Tourism and Hospitality Sector COVID-19 Lockdown Support Package, daily site fees for commercial activities were waived for the entire 2021-22 financial year.

A breakdown of revenue for the Inskip Peninsula Recreation Area, Cooloola Recreation Area and K'gari (Fraser Island) Recreation Area (part of the Great Sandy National Park) are shown in the tables below.

<b>Inskip Peninsula Recreation Area*</b>	<b>2021-22 (\$)</b>
Camping revenue	1,074,329
Revenue associated with Commercial Activities	1,029
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,075,358</b>

\*Vehicle access permits are not required for the Inskip Peninsula Recreation Area

<b>K'gari (Fraser Island) Recreation Area (Great Sandy National Park)</b>	<b>2021-22 (\$)</b>
Vehicle Access Permit revenue	3,571,954
Camping revenue	2,009,596
Revenue associated with Commercial Activities	555,746
Vending Machines (hot showers)*	135,809
Fees waived (COVID-19 relief)	-445,377
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,827,728</b>

\*provided for optional use of visitors on user pays basis (not a regulated fee)

<b>Cooloola Recreation Area (Great Sandy National Park)</b>	<b>2021-22 (\$)</b>
Vehicle Access Permit revenue	2,676,812
Camping revenue	1,266,051
Revenue associated with Commercial Activities	24,796
Vending Machines (hot showers)*	29,395
Fees Waived (COVID-19 relief)	-9,417
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,987,637</b>

\*provided for optional use of visitors on user pays basis (not a regulated fee)

All revenue generated from camping and vehicle access permits in Recreation Areas is reinvested towards the management of these recreation areas.