

QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 422

asked on 17 April 2024

MR B HEAD ASKED THE MINISTER FOR REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND MANUFACTURING AND MINISTER FOR WATER (HON G BUTCHER)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise what date (a) the Minister personally and (b) the Minister's office, was first made aware a second dam wall at Paradise Dam was being considered?

ANSWER:

In answer to (a) and (b), on 3 October 2023 Sunwater advised of the new issues compromising the long term strength and quality of the dam's concrete.

Advice from national and international experts on these new issues confirmed the existing wall could not be repaired.

The Queensland Government considered the advice from Sunwater and the technical experts and made a decision consistent with that advice and the commitment to restore the original volume of water in the dam.