

BUSH FOREVER SITES — STATE PLANNING POLICY 2.8

342. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the minister representing the Minister for Planning:

- (1) Of the 287 Bush Forever sites identified for protection and management in state planning policy 2.8, how many of the areas in state government ownership have in place —
 - (a) bushland management plans;
 - (b) environmental management plans; or
 - (c) sustainability strategies?
- (2) How many of the areas in private ownership have bushland or environmental management plans in place?
- (3) Of the 287 Bush Forever areas, how many are classified as —
 - (a) Bush Forever reserves;
 - (b) urban, industrial or resource development;
 - (c) government lands or public infrastructure;
 - (d) rural lands; or
 - (e) regional creek lines?
- (4) How many of these 287 areas are not protected through the establishment of Bush Forever areas in the metropolitan region scheme, and why are these areas not protected?
- (5) Is it the government's intention to have management plans and/or sustainability strategies in place for all Bush Forever areas; and, if so, what is the timetable for having these plans or strategies in place and what resources has the government allocated to drawing up these plans or strategies?

Hon HELEN MORTON replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of this question. The following information has been provided by the Minister for Planning —

- (1)–(5) Substantial inquiry and collation of data, including cross-departmental liaison, are required to provide an answer, and it is not possible to complete this within the period of short notice given for the question. Therefore, it is requested that the question be put on notice.