

CONSERVATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT AMENDMENT BILL 2021

**188. Hon TJORN SIBMA to the minister representing the Minister for Environment:**

I refer to the minister's answer given on 27 May that a "case-by-case" approach will be taken to determine whether any extant recreational and commercial activities in marine reserves are inconsistent with the objects of the Conservation and Land Management Amendment Bill 2021.

- (1) How many management plans for marine reserves and the like are either being prepared or revised?
- (2) What are the particulars of each plan and what is the anticipated timing of their gazettal?
- (3) In the course of preparing or revising these plans, has the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions been advised of the potential for any extant activity to be inconsistent with the "protection and conservation of the value of marine parks to the culture and heritage of Aboriginal people"?
- (4) If yes to (3), please provide details.

**Hon STEPHEN DAWSON replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1) There are three management planning processes currently being progressed. These processes are for the proposed marine parks in the Buccaneer Archipelago, the proposed marine park on the south coast and the proposed extension to Marmion Marine Park. The proposed extension to Marmion Marine Park will require the existing management plan to be reviewed.
- (2) The particulars of the indicative joint management plans for the Buccaneer Archipelago marine parks are available via the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions website, where the indicative joint management plans can be viewed. The management plans for the proposed marine park on the south coast and the proposed extension to Marmion Marine Park are in the early stages of consultation and will be prepared with stakeholders and the community.

Honourable member, apparently they are 100 pages long. I am happy to give you a link to those, or if you want a copy of them printed out, please see me behind the chair and I will be happy to provide them to you at a later stage. The answer continues —

It is anticipated that the management plans for the Buccaneer Archipelago marine parks will be finalised in 2021. The plans for the proposed marine park on the south coast and the proposed extension to Marmion Marine Park are to be finalised by 2024.

- (3)–(4) The formal public submission period for consultation on the indicative joint management plans for the proposed Buccaneer Archipelago marine parks is currently open. Advice has been provided on the potential for existing activities in proposed special purpose zones for cultural protection to be incompatible with the protection and conservation of the value of marine parks to the culture and heritage of Aboriginal people. This advice is reflected in the indicative joint management plans, which are subject to ongoing consultation.