

WA COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, HARVEY

159. Hon BARRY HOUSE to the Minister for Education and Training:

With regard to the WA College of Agriculture, Harvey, I ask -

- (1) Is it still the government's plan to relocate the academic and residential facilities to the Wokalup farm site?
- (2) If so, when will this take place?
- (3) If not, why not?
- (4) Does the minister acknowledge there is an urgent need to upgrade infrastructure on the Wokalup farm, such as fencing, stock and water systems, irrigation, farm laneways and farm buildings?
- (5) If so, when will the funds be allocated for this purpose?

Hon LJILJANNA RAVLICH replied:

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

- (1)-(5) At present no funding has been identified for the relocation of the academic and residential facilities to the Wokalup farm site. This project will continue to be considered by the Department of Education and Training when future capital works programs are being compiled. With regard to the need to upgrade infrastructure such as fencing, stock and water systems, irrigation, farm laneways and farm buildings, it is normal for these items to be funded by the college from its farm operating grant and funds from the Aboriginal Education Trust.