

FOREST PRODUCTS COMMISSION — TWO-TIER KARRI FORESTS — HARVESTING

155. Hon DIANE EVERS to the minister representing the Minister for Forestry:

I refer to the recent announcement of a 12-month freeze on logging of two-tier karri forests and the minister's quoted comments that "the required native timber volumes under the current Forest Management Plan ... can be sourced without harvesting two-tier karri areas during the period of the 2020 harvest plan."

- (1) Will the minister please table a map showing the areas that will be harvested during the 2020 period?
- (2) Will the minister consider conducting a deliberative process to determine the future of the karri forest prior to any decision by the Forest Products Commission to cancel the freeze beyond 2020; and, if not, why not?

Hon ALANNAH MacTIERNAN replied:

I thank the member for this question. The Minister for Forestry has provided the following answer.

- (1) The Forest Products Commission's 2020 indicative harvest plan outlines the forest coupes that are planned to be harvested in full or in part over the course of the year. I table maps of the indicative harvest areas. The plan is indicative only. The final decisions on where to conduct harvesting operations are made by the Forest Products Commission. In 2020, the Forest Products Commission can meet its customers' demands without harvesting in two-tier areas. Areas of two-tier karri forest greater than two hectares in size will not be harvested in 2020.

[See paper [3654](#).]

- (2) The Forest Products Commission's future harvest plans will be guided by operational requirements and customer needs. There will be significant public consultation through the preparation of the next forest management plan by the Conservation and Parks Commission. The mechanisms and approach to community engagement for the next forest management plan is a matter for the Conservation and Parks Commission.