

ENVIRONMENTAL APPEALS CONVENOR

328. Hon SALLY TALBOT to the Minister for Environment:

- (1) How many appeals reports has the minister received from the environmental Appeals Convenor since 22 September 2008?
- (2) Of those reports received by the minister, how many reports are still awaiting the minister's decision?
- (3) Of those reports still awaiting the minister's decision, how long has each report been in the minister's office?

Hon DONNA FARAGHER replied:

I thank the member for some notice of the question.

- (1) I have received 43 appeals reports since 22 September 2008. Upon being appointed minister, I also received an additional 10 appeals reports that were under consideration by the previous Minister for the Environment or finalised during the caretaker period. Therefore, I have received a total of 53 appeals reports.
- (2) Five.
- (3) These are: March 2009, 111 RC drill holes; February 2009, Keysbrook mineral sands mine; and February 2009, Dawson clearing permit. Two proposals—lot 4 Underwood Avenue and the broad vegetation conservation notice—are currently with the Appeals Convenor in order to obtain additional information prior to a ministerial decision being made.