

FOREST PRODUCTS COMMISSION — PINE PLANTATIONS

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

- (1) What are the volumes and time frame of contracts that the Forest Products Commission has for the supply of pine, in detail, for —
  - (a) *Pinus radiata*;
  - (b) *Pinus pinaster*; and
  - (c) other species of pine?
- (2) When the FPC harvests a pine plantation, what criteria are used to determine —
  - (a) whether the area should be replanted or not; and
  - (b) what species should be replanted?
- (3) Please advise all species that are considered for replanting harvested pine plantations for —
  - (a) softwood; and
  - (b) hardwood, if any?
- (4) Do the criteria referred to in (2) consider the proximity to built-up areas and their growth—for example, the expansion and increasing density of Margaret River towards the plantations north of the town—and, if not, why not?

**Hon ALANNAH MacTIERNAN replied:**

I thank the member for the question.

The answer to (1) is set out in tabular form. I seek leave to have the response incorporated into *Hansard*.

Leave granted.

The following material was incorporated —

No.	Start Date	Expiry Date (Incl Extension Options)	Pine Species	Total Contracted Quantity
1.	1/08/2018	30/06/2023	Combination of pinaster and radiata	30 000 t
2.	5/09/2019	30/06/2023	Combination of pinaster and radiata	12 000 t
3.	30/07/2019	30/06/2024	Combination of pinaster and radiata	20 000 t
4.	14/05/2019	30/06/2024	Combination of pinaster and radiata	460 000 t
5.	1/07/2011	30/06/2021	Combination of pinaster and radiata	300 000 t
6.	1/01/2000	31/12/2025	Prefer radiata with some pinaster	8 250 000 m3
7.	1/08/2018	30/06/2023	Combination of pinaster and radiata	37 500 t
8.	25/03/2020	31/12/2020	Combination of pinaster and radiata	50 000 t
9.	4/10/2002	30/06/2054	Prefer pinaster with some radiata	4 120 000 m3
10.	1/07/2008	30/06/2033	Prefer radiata with some pinaster	10 450 000 m3
11.	1/02/2018	31/12/2022	Not Applicable	These contracts have no allocated quantity. They have been awarded as panel arrangements to facilitate opportunistic sales of uncommitted resource.
12.	1/02/2018	31/12/2022		
13.	7/06/2019	30/06/2022		
14.	9/07/2019	30/06/2022		
15.	13/02/2020	12/02/2021		
16.	22/05/2019	30/06/2022		
17.	28/08/2019	31/12/2022		
18.	1/02/2018	31/12/2022		

- (2)
  - (a) All areas of state forest or state-owned freehold land are replanted with pine, except where there has been a policy decision to not replant the area or there are issues with productivity.
  - (b) *Pinus radiata* is the preferred species. *Pinus pinaster* is planted on some sites not considered suitable for *Pinus radiata*.

- (3)     (a)     *Pinus radiata* and *Pinus pinaster*. The Forest Products Commission is also establishing a trial of *Pinus canariensis* in 2020 as a fire protection buffer around pine plantations.
- (b)     Not applicable. All harvested pine plantations are re-established to pine.
- (4)     Yes.