

LAND CLEARING, 304 BADGERUP ROAD, GNANGARA

2111. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for the Environment

I refer the Minister to the answer to question on notice No. 1497 of 2003 and ask, given the extensive use of raw chicken manure on this site, what monitoring will take place to ensure that any nutrient run off will not impact on the nearby lake system?

Dr J.M. EDWARDS replied:

The licence was issued by the Water and Rivers Commission in 4 March 2003 after the proponent had demonstrated City of Wanneroo and Department of Agriculture approvals for the expansion of the market garden. It was granted on the basis that the proponent and the City of Wanneroo had come to an agreement that ensured that the use of chemicals is strictly in accordance with recommended practices and that spraying occurs at specific times. Similar conditions were also established for the use and storage of chicken manure in accordance with relevant legislation and Department of Agriculture best management practices.

Therefore, it was deemed that no groundwater monitoring conditions were necessary for the licence.