

WELLINGTON DAM — HERITAGE LISTING

548. Hon NIGEL HALLETT to the Leader of the House representing the Minister for Water Resources:

- (1) What impact will the heritage listing of Wellington Dam have on its future use as a potable water source?
- (2) Will the Department of Water's requirement override the needs of other stakeholders in any decision to use Wellington Dam as a source of potable water, as was the recent case in the decision to close Logue Brook Dam?

Hon KIM CHANCE replied:

I thank Hon Nigel Hallett for providing some notice of the question.

- (1) The Department of Water and the Water Corporation are working with the Heritage Council regarding heritage listing of Wellington Dam and any operational implications.
- (2) The May 2007 Kelly report entitled "Water source options in the Collie-Wellington Basin" recommended that existing water quality measures to manage recreation within the Wellington Dam catchment should remain at current levels. The Department of Water will continue to work with stakeholders on their needs through the development of the Upper Collie water management plan and the Collie salinity recovery plan.