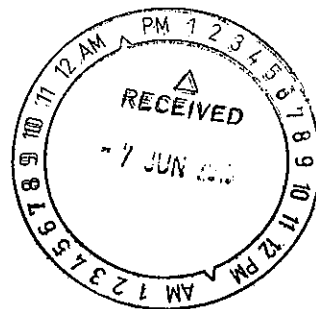


**Estimates and Financial Operations Committee**  
**2018-19 Budget Estimates hearings - Questions prior to hearings**

**Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development**



**NOTE: REFERENCE SHOULD BE TO PAGE 177 BUDGET PAPER 3**

**Hon Martin Aldridge MLC asked:**

1. I refer to page 225 Budget paper 3, line item 'AgLime Routes' and the allocation of \$10m in the forward estimates and I ask:

- a) Would the Minister provide the business case for this project?

**Answer**

This project was approved by Cabinet under the previous government and consistent with the practice of the previous government the business case is considered Cabinet-in-confidence.

I am advised that we are delivering the project in line with the intent of the original Cabinet decision.

- b) What roads will be part of this project?

**Answer**

The Aglime Route 2 between Lancelin and Goomalling. These roads are in the Shire of Gingin and Shire of Victoria Plains.

- c) What is the timeframe of this project to commence and complete?

**Answer**

It is anticipated that the project will be completed during the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2020.

- d) What is the nature of the works planned for each road?

**Answer**

Planned works include reconstruction/rehabilitation of existing routes where the pavement has reached the end of its operational life, widening narrow sections of road to a minimum seal width of 7.0m and reconstruction/rehabilitation with widening for old narrow pavements.

**Estimates and Financial Operations Committee**  
**2018-19 Budget Estimates hearings - Questions prior to hearings**

**Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development**

**Hon Martin Aldridge MLC asked:**

2. I refer to line item 'remote swimming pools' on page 177 of budget paper 3 and I ask:

a) Which locations will be beneficiaries of the program;

Answer: Balgo and Kulumburu

b) How was the \$7 million in 2017-18 expended;

Answer: These funds were not expended in 2017-18 due to delays with the procurement for the architectural design works at Balgo. The tender process is now expected to commence in early June. A feasibility study and planning works are currently underway for Kalumburu.

The majority of the \$7 million from 2017-18 will be expended in 2018-19. An adjustment will be requested through the next budget process to carry over funding.

c) How will the \$9.1 million in the budget and forward estimates be allocated;

Answer: \$7 million will be allocated for the construction of the Kalumburu swimming pool. The remaining \$2.1 million will be allocated toward the management and maintenance of both Balgo and Kalumburu swimming pools from 2018-19 to 2021-22.

d) Will the Minister outline the details of the \$0.6m increase in funding over the forward estimates, compared to the 2017-18 state budget;

Answer: An additional year of funding in 2021-22 has been populated to cover the maintenance and monitoring costs for both pools.

e) How were these projects identified for funding;

Answer: The construction of two new swimming pools for the remote communities of Balgo and Kalumburu were part of the State Government's election commitment to improve the health of people living in remote Aboriginal communities.

f) Please provide the scope of works and business cases for each project funded from the program?

Answer: This is a State Government election commitment that is being delivered by the Department of Communities.

Documents provided in support of this funding allocation were submitted to the Expenditure Review Committee and are Cabinet in Confidence.

The Department of Communities is working to finalise a scope of works and detailed design for both pools and caretaker facilities. I am advised the scope will include:

**Estimates and Financial Operations Committee**  
**2018-19 Budget Estimates hearings - Questions prior to hearings**

**Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development**

- Detailed design of community pool facility and pool manager's house at Balgo and Kalumburu;
- Demolition of existing non-residential dwelling at Balgo;
- Construction of pool and facilities, including shade structures, change rooms with toilets and shower facilities, Pool Manager's office, kiosk and first aid room, storage areas, internal landscaping, seating and table fixtures, internal lighting, power, water, sewer and stormwater, perimeter fencing and gated entrance, adjoining car parking facilities, and initial fill and treatment of pool water;
- Pool design and construction at Balgo and Kalumburu to comply with BCA and Department of Health Code of Practice for the design, construction, operational, management and maintenance of aquatic facilities;
- Construction of residential dwellings, built to remote housing specification;
- As-construction survey of pool and house developments.

Any request for further information should be directed to the Minister for Housing, Hon Peter Tinley MLA.

CL