

ROADS — CLIMATE CHANGE FACTORS

639. Hon Adele Farina to the Parliamentary Secretary representing the Minister for Transport:

I refer to page 63 of the *Main Roads Western Australia Annual Report 2012*, and I ask:

- (a) under the heading *Climate Change, the Risk to Road Infrastructure*, the report states there is a prioritised list of highways and major roads at risk as a result of climate change factors such as rising sea levels, will the Minister provide a full copy of this list;
- (b) the report states these roads require closer assessment, what assessment work is being undertaken and when will it be complete; and
- (c) the report says “a pilot study will be undertaken at one of the highest priority sites to identify remedial or intervention treatments to mitigate the risk”, has the site of the pilot study been confirmed:
 - (i) if yes to (c), what is the site and has the pilot study commenced;
 - (ii) when is the pilot study expected to be completed; and
 - (iii) if no to (c), when will the pilot study site be confirmed?

Hon Jim Chown replied:

- (a) [See paper 1227.]
- (b) The content of the report is used by Main Roads staff on a case by case basis when assessing the need to upgrade or improve road infrastructure which is located close to the WA coast.
- (c)
 - (i) A joint study of the Kwinana Freeway foreshore has been initiated by Main Roads and the City of Perth.
 - (ii) The report is expected to be completed in mid-2014.
 - (iii) Not applicable.