

INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDING - STATISTICS

2914. Hon Murray Criddle to the Minister for the Midwest and Wheatbelt

During question time on Wednesday, November 9 2005, the Premier indicated the current Government has committed \$15.8b over the next four years for infrastructure -

- (1) Can the Minister please table a copy of the budget for their portfolio area that outlines these projects, indicating -
  - (a) time of commencement;
  - (b) expected completion dates; and
  - (c) budget allocation for each project?
- (2) What is the Minister's definition of infrastructure?

Hon KIM CHANCE replied:

The Member is referred to the Budget papers for any information required additional to the following:

Mid West Development Commission

1. The following response is based on the 2005-06 Budget, which has since been superseded by the 2005-06 Mid Year Review and the current 2006-07 Budget process:

Capital Works Funding Provided Via MWDC	Budget 2005-06 \$'000	Estimate 2006-07 \$'000	Estimate 2007-08 \$'000	Estimate 2008-09 \$'000
(i) Geraldton Foreshore Redevelopment	2,630	2,130	1,930	1,500
(ii) Kalbarri Slipway and Boat Servicing Hardstand	-	229	-	-

- (i) The Geraldton Foreshore Redevelopment project is being undertaken by the City of Geraldton with \$9.98 million being provided by the State Government via MWDC over 6 financial years.
    - (a) The project commenced in the 2002-03 financial year. This was prior to the State Government's commitment of the \$9.98 million. The first instalment of the \$9.98 million (\$0.4 million) was paid in 2003-04 (June 2004 - shortly after the State Government's funding was announced).
    - (b) The project is currently scheduled for completion in the 2008-09 financial year.
    - (c) \$9.98 million via MWDC. Note that other State Government entities and programs are also providing funding to the \$23 million project.
  - (ii) The Kalbarri Slipway and Boat Servicing Hardstand is a \$687,000 project which assumes 1/3 contributions each from the State and Commonwealth Governments and industry. This project is subject to confirmation of current demand for the facility and securing contributory funding from the Commonwealth Government and industry.
    - (a) The project is still yet to be confirmed and therefore does not have a firm commencement or completion date. The current assumption is that it is commenced and completed during the 2006-07 financial year.
    - (b) Refer (ii)(a)
    - (c) \$229,000 from the State Government, which represents 1/3 of the budgeted \$687,000 cost
2. Definition of infrastructure is restricted to items contained in MWDC's capital works program but excludes the cost of the Commission's office equipment replacement program.

Wheatbelt Development Commission

- (1)-(2) No infrastructure projects were included in WDC's budget for 2005-2006.