

PORT GEOGRAPHE

**1. Hon MURRAY CRIDDLE to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure:**

Given that the environmental disaster at Port Geographe, near Busselton, continues and that community concern escalates as yet another winter approaches with the prospect of further coastal erosion, seagrass build up and rising levels of noxious gases and rotting seagrass, I ask -

- (1) What is the Labor Government doing to reduce the erosion, seagrass build up and other environmental damage to the beach and residential precinct at Port Geographe?
- (2) Are engineering modifications being planned for the current groyne structure; and, if not, why not?
- (3) Is there a plan to reduce the levels of noxious gases, typically hydrogen sulfide, produced by rotting seagrass?
- (4) Is the current predicament of Port Geographe residents the result of a flawed coastal planning system and a flawed groyne grain design and construction; and, if so, who is responsible for remedial action?

**Hon KEN TRAVERS replied:**

I thank the member for some notice of this question and ask that he place the question on notice.