

ROAD FUNDING

760. Hon M.J. CRIDDLE to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure:

- (1) What state funding will be spent on roads in Western Australia in the 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04 budget years?
- (2) What percentage of those state funds will be spent on roads in regional and rural Western Australia in the 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04 budget years?
- (3) On which roads in rural and regional Western Australia will construction commence in those budget years?

Hon G.T. GIFFARD replied:

I thank the member for some notice of this question.

- (1) The state funding to be spent directly on roads in Western Australia is \$491 705 506 in 2001-02, \$427 420 815 in 2002-03 and \$373 692 886 in 2003-04.
- (2) The percentage of the state funds that will be spent on roads in regional and rural Western Australia in those budget years is 51.4 per cent in 2001-02, 56.8 per cent in 2002-03 and 60.4 per cent in 2003-04.
- (3) The following roadwork projects in rural and regional Western Australia have been included in Main Roads Western Australia's capital works program between 2001-02 and 2003-04: Albany Highway at Gordon South and Kokokup and between Kojonup and Albany, and Kojonup and Cranbrook; Albany Ring Road between Chester Pass Road and Albany Highway; the Albany-Lake Grace road in the Gnowangerup and Kent shires; Bibbawarra Road at the Gascoyne River; the Bindoon-Moora road between Bindoon and Mogumber; Brookton Highway between Karragullen and Brookton; the Broome-Cape Leveque road in the Broome shire; Bussell Highway at the Busselton Bypass and between Sabina and Busselton, and Vasse and Margaret River; the Carnarvon-Mullewa road between the North West Coastal Highway and Gascoyne Junction; the Cervantes-Greenhead road between Lancelin and Cervantes; the Chidlow-York road; Coalfields Highway at Roelands Hill; Dampier Road; Down Road; east-west heavy haulage roads; Eyre Highway at Caiguna West; the Geraldton-Mt Magnet road; the southern transport corridor; Gibb River Road between Derby, Gibb River and Wyndham -

The PRESIDENT: The parliamentary secretary seems to have got to the "Gs". Would he like to seek leave to table the list of roads?

Hon G.T. GIFFARD: I am not fussed either way. I was asked a question and I am answering it.

The PRESIDENT: I am just concerned that we are only at the "Gs". I am sure leave would be extended to you.

Hon G.T. GIFFARD: I seek leave to table the answer.

Leave granted. [See paper No 897.]