

BUNBURY OUTER RING ROAD — GELORUP CORRIDOR — CLEARING

**927. Hon Dr BRAD PETTITT to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Environment:**

I refer to the clearing of the Gelorup corridor for the Bunbury Outer Ring Road that resumed in March 2023 and the recent installation of murals depicting critically endangered western ringtail possums as part of ongoing works by Main Roads.

- (1) How many notifications of western ringtail possums being killed or injured have been made to the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions and/or the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation since clearing resumed?
- (2) If no to (1), can the minister account for recent eyewitness reports by residents of possums falling from trees being actively cleared on the corner of Yalinda Drive and Eucalypt Drive, Gelorup?

**Hon DARREN WEST replied:**

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question. On behalf of the Minister for Environment, I provide the following answer.

- (1) Since clearing resumed in March 2023, no notifications of western ringtail possums being killed or injured have been made to the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions in relation to the Bunbury Outer Ring Road. DBCA is unaware of any notifications made to the commonwealth government's Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water.
- (2) DBCA is unaware of and therefore cannot account for any recent reports by Gelorup residents of possums falling from trees.