

JANGARDUP MINERAL SANDS MINE, REVEGETATION

12. Hon Jim Scott to the Minister for Housing and Works representing the Minister for the Environment and Heritage

In relation to revegetation by Cable Sands at the Jangardup mineral sands mine -

- (1) Will the Minister table an original flora species list of the State Forest area before mining commenced?
- (2) Will the Minister table an original flora species list of the excised portion of the D'Entrecasteaux National Park area before mining commenced?
- (3) What herbicides does Cable Sands use as part of the revegetation program at -
  - (a) the State Forest area; and
  - (b) the excised portion of the D'Entrecasteaux National Park?
- (4) Will the Minister table all the revegetation site inspections, revegetation audits and current established flora species list for the State Forest area and the excised portion of the D'Entrecasteaux National Park?

Hon TOM STEPHENS replied:

- (1) The original flora species list for the state forest prior to mining is available in the Environmental Review and Management Program. I now table the original flora species list. [See paper No 189.]
- (2) The original flora species list for the excised portion of the D'Entrecasteaux National Park prior to mining was included in the list for the Environmental Review and Management Program.
- (3) (a & b) Cable Sands has advised that it does not use herbicides on a broad scale in either the State Forest of the excised portion of the D'Entrecasteaux National Park. Spot spraying in the State Forest using Roundup Bioactive has occurred to control local weed outbreaks as per the rehabilitation plan.
- (4) The Department of Conservation and Land Management and the Department of Environmental Protection throughout the life of the project have conducted inspections and assessments of rehabilitation. Rehabilitation inspections are also listed in the Cable Sands Annual Environmental Reviews for the Jangardup mine. The information from the inspections and assessments is too numerous to table but, by arrangement, are publicly available from the Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Conservation and Land Management.