

TOURISM, SKY JETTY, DONNELLY VALLEY

359. Hon P D Omodei to the Premier

I refer to the Australian Labor Party's Tourism Policy and ask -

- (a) as plans for a Sky Jetty in the Donnelly Valley have been completed -
  - (i) when will the \$2 million identified in Labor's Tourism policy for a tourist attraction in the Manjimup/Nannup region be allocated; and
  - (ii) if not, why not?
- (b) where will the \$2 million for three environmentally sensitive camping and chalets sites be sited;
- (c) when will this happen;
- (d) as Pemberton is most affected by Labor's rationalisation of the timber industry -
  - (i) will the sites be located in the Pemberton district; and
  - (ii) if not, why not?
- (e) will the sealing of Mowen Road be brought forward to 2003 as agreed to in Cabinet decisions by the previous Government; and
- (f) if not, why not?

Dr GALLOP replied:

- (a) As the Member would be aware, the previous coalition government and this government's support for the icon project was predicated on Commonwealth funding of \$5M under the Regional Forest Agreement (RFA).  
  
This funding was withdrawn by the Commonwealth as a result of the previous Government's decision to alter the RFA, and is now being distributed by the Commonwealth under a new program.  
  
The icon project was in danger of failure because of the lack of commitment by the previous Government. However, this government has committed \$1M towards the Sky Jetty proposal if a community submission for matching Commonwealth funds is successful.
- (b)-(f) Details of these projects will be available after the Budget has been brought down.