

CROWEA FOREST BLOCK

574. Dr EDWARDS to the Minister for Forest Products:

- (1) What is the size of the Crowea forest block in hectares?
- (2) Before the Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) was signed, how many hectares of old-growth forest was extant in Crowea?
- (3) How many hectares of old-growth forest are now extant in Crowea?
- (4) How many hectares of old-growth forest will be logged in Crowea in the remainder of 2000-01?

Mr OMODEI replied:

- (1) Crowea forest block comprises approximately 7,340 hectares.
- (2) Approximately 1,480 hectares of old growth forest were recorded in Crowea block during the preparation of the Regional Forest Agreement.
- (3) Records to December 1999 indicate that approximately 1,430 hectares of old growth occurred in Crowea block at that date.
- (4) Records for areas harvested during 2000 will not be available until after December, while the future extent of any harvesting within this block during 2001 will not be finalised until the routine coupe planning, including local consultation, is undertaken.