

CARNARVON FLOODS — TOPSOIL REPLACEMENT

818. Hon NEIL THOMSON to the Minister for Regional Development:

I refer to question without notice 797 and the minister's response stating that \$240 000 has been contributed to secure \$1.3 million in federal funding for flood preparedness on the Gascoyne flood plain.

- (1) Has the flood management working group, which is reported to auspice the partnership between the Shire of Carnarvon and the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, finalised a budget for the components resolved by the Shire of Carnarvon, as shown in its minutes of 17 January 2022, and what are the amounts budgeted for —
 - (a) the town levees;
 - (b) the Carnarvon Airport levee floodgates;
 - (c) geotechnical investigations;
 - (d) hydraulic modelling;
 - (e) the river care floodway natural infrastructure upgrade; and
 - (f) project audit and acquittal costs?
- (2) Will the hydraulic modelling be comprehensive for the horticultural area and surrounding flood plain?
- (3) When will hydraulic modelling be completed?
- (4) Will that modelling be made public?

Hon ALANNAH MacTIERNAN replied:

I thank the member for the question.

- (1) The flood plain management working group does not have responsibility for the budget. The budget has been finalised by the Shire of Carnarvon in consultation with the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation. The amounts budgeted are —
 - (a) \$715 392;
 - (b) \$199 524;
 - (c) \$100 752;
 - (d) \$425 000;
 - (e) \$472 096; and
 - (f) \$32 300.
- (2) Yes, the modelling of flood plain behaviour will utilise new survey material information for the horticultural area and surrounding flood plain.
- (3) It will be completed in mid-2024.
- (4) Yes.