

AGRICULTURE AND FOOD — BIOSECURITY GROUPS — SOUTH WEST REGION

4031. Hon Adele Farina to the parliamentary secretary representing the Minister for Agriculture and Food:

- (1) How many bio-security groups have been established in the South West region?
- (2) Who is the contact person and what are the contact details of each group in (1)?
- (3) How much funding has each group in (1) received by the State Government in 2015–2016?
- (4) What programs/projects have been completed by each of the groups in (1) in 2015–2016?

**Hon Jim Chown replied:**

- (1) Three biosecurity groups have formed.
- (2) Blackwood Biosecurity Group – Shila Howat – [chair@blackwoodbiosecurity.org.au](mailto:chair@blackwoodbiosecurity.org.au)  
Leschenault Biosecurity Group – Oren White – [chairperson.lcbg@gmail.com](mailto:chairperson.lcbg@gmail.com)  
Peel–Harvey Biosecurity Group – Athol Wigg
- (3) Since 1 July 2015, the following State Natural Resource Management funding was distributed to groups–  
Blackwood Biosecurity Group – \$50 000 ex GST  
Leschenault Biosecurity Group – \$50 000 ex GST  
Peel–Harvey Biosecurity Group – \$50 000 ex GST  
In 2016 the following groups are receiving Royalties for Regions Funding for the 2015–2016 financial year –  
Blackwood Biosecurity Group – \$55 000 ex GST  
Leschenault Biosecurity Group – \$55 000 ex GST  
Peel–Harvey Biosecurity Group – \$55 000 ex GST
- (4) The Biosecurity groups in the south-west and are yet to report for 2015–2016.