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Minister for Transport and City Services
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Member for Murrumbidgee

RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE
Questions on Notice Paper No 4
Friday 23 April 2021
Question No. 178

MS CASTLEY: To ask the Minister for Transport and City Services—

- (1) Is the Minister aware that the Lake Tuggeranong waterway on Drakeford Drive is being used as a dumping point for toxic waste by vacuum trucks.
- (2) What action will the Minister take to ensure this does not happen.

MR STEEL MLA - The answer to the Member’s question is as follows:

- (1) The Drakeford Drive Gross Pollutant Trap (GPT) assists to prevent negative water quality impacts in Lake Tuggeranong from sediment, debris captured in the stormwater system. It includes a designated drying pad. This site is used to dry the collected waste from the stormwater network before disposal to landfill. The GPT is designed and operated specifically to improve water quality in Lake Tuggeranong. Removing debris (organic material and anthropogenic litter) from waterways is a critical activity to protect the lake from excessive nutrient pollution which may lead to algal outbreaks.
- (2) This large trap is cleaned between 4-8 times per year depending on the number of rainfall events.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.

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