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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS
TAMS No. 15

Asked by Alistair Coe on 25 June 2014: Minister for Territory and Municipal Services took on notice the following question(s):

Ref: Hansard Transcript 25 June 2014, Page 54

In relation to:
Output Class 1.4 – Land Management

Budget Statement p. 6 (Output 1.4 Table 6) and the decreased output – provide a reconciliation of the output, including any programs that have ended, any new starts, and the FTE that is included before and after

Minister for Territory and Municipal Services: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

The major contributors to the \$4.480m decrease in the Cost of Output 1.4 Land Management for 2014-15 are shown in the table below.

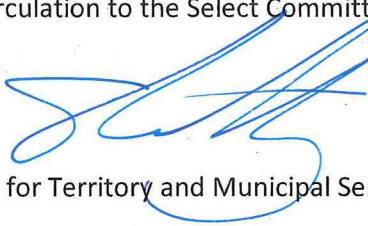
| | \$'000 |
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| | -4,480 |
| 2014-15 Initiatives | |
| Bushfire Management Capacity | 2,089 |
| Enhanced Biodiversity Stewardship | 959 |
| Kangaroo Population Management and Research | 279 |
| National Arboretum Canberra – Maintenance | 186 |
| Parks and Open Spaces - Maintaining amenity | 4,500 |
| 2014-15 Growth (Increased Municipal Services) | 412 |
| FYE of 2013-14 Initiatives | |
| Enhanced Biodiversity Stewardship | -1,326 |
| Canberra's Urban Treescape | -1,000 |
| Parks and City Services - Supporting Operational Capacity | -5,246 |
| Technical | |
| Expense WIP in 2013-14 (not budgeted for in 2014-15) ¹⁾ | -5,328 |
| Increased Depreciation | 1,423 |

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| Costs associated with storm damage repairs in 2013-14 (reimbursed through insurance) | -1,910 |
| Funding for wage and salary increases | 646 |
| Recurrent impact of reprofiling Capital Works projects | -260 |
| Other | 96 |

1) As capital works projects are completed, an assessment is undertaken of those components that can be treated as an asset into the future and those that cannot. The costs associated with components that cannot be treated as assets under the Accounting Standards are 'expensed'. Examples would include minor landscaping, site preparation and cleanup, master planning and design work. These costs cannot be reliably estimated for future years.

Approved for circulation to the Select Committee on Estimates 2014-2015

Signature:



Date:

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By the Minister for Territory and Municipal Services, Shane Rattenbury MLA