

## LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

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Inquiry into referred 2019–20 Annual and Financial Reports and Budget Estimates 2020-21

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Asked by Jo Clay:

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In relation to: Nature Conservation Strategy

The Nature Conservation Strategy Progress Report 2019 identifies that 51 milestones/priorities have been completed with a further 51 ongoing. Given the strategy is set to finalise in 2023, can you please provide an indication of the milestones that are still ongoing, and the likelihood that they will be met prior to the end of the strategy?

MINISTER VASSAROTTI: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:-

The published 2019-23 Implementation Plan describes actions that are progressing and that will support the timely delivery of the 2013-23 Nature Conservation Strategy. These actions will contribute to deliver outcomes identified in the Strategy, namely that:

- Native vegetation and biodiversity is maintained and improved;
- Landscapes are more resilient, including to climate change; and
- Community health and wellbeing is increased through use and appreciation of natural areas and 'green assets' in urban areas.

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Signature: W. V. Curry

By the Minister for Environment, Rebecca Vassarotti

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