

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Legislation Committee
Answers to questions on notice
Environment portfolio

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Senator Ludwig asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014, how many projects, work, programs or other tasks has the department started as a consequence of government policies or priorities that are required to be funded 'within existing resources'?

- a. List each
- b. List the staffing assigned to each task
- c. What is the nominal total salary cost of the officers assigned to the project?
- d. What resources or equipment has been assigned to the project?

Answer:

Resourcing for the Department of the Environment and portfolio agencies since Budget Estimates in May 2014 is set out in the Government's budget papers, including the Environment Portfolio Budget Statements 2014-2015, Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements 2013-2014 and Portfolio Supplementary Additional Estimates Statements 2013-2014.

As indicated in these documents, additional departmental resourcing was received for the Green Army, Southern Ocean Flights, Asia-Pacific Rainforest Summit, National Climate Change Adaptation Research Facility, Antarctica – Maintaining Australia's Presence, Sustainable Rural Water Use and Infrastructure Programme and the Bureau of Meteorology replacement supercomputer measures.