

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Topic: NPARIH

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Payne asked:

During budget estimates hearing, you indicated that part of the reason for NPARIH funding being moved out of 2012-13 was due to some states commencing early on their capital works program as funding moves on from the 2010-11/2011-12 competitive bid - what has been organised as a result of the 2012-13/2013-14 competitive bid? Has this changed the location or timeframes of projects in relation to the previous competitive bid? Which jurisdictions are ahead of the curve, and which are behind?

Answer:

To maintain momentum in the delivery of capital works, the Australian Government commenced the 2012-14 Competitive Bid Process early, with jurisdictions settling their housing program before the 30 June 2012 deadline. This allowed for early commencement of 2012-13 capital works.

Accelerated delivery of capital works has not changed the locations or timeframes of new housing or refurbishment projects. All housing has been delivered in remote/very remote locations determined by demonstrated need.

The competitive bids process is focussed on outcomes as at the end of the financial year. As at 30 June 2012, all jurisdictions met their competitive bids targets.