

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2005-2006 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
2 and 3 NOVEMBER 2005**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 3: Increased Workforce Participation

Output Group 3.1: Working Age Policy

Outputs 3.1.1: Working Age Policy and Legislation

Question Number: W463-06

Question:

Senator Evans asked in writing:

Please list the dates of any visits made to the trial site by

- a. Minister
- b. Secretary of the Department

Please also specify the reason for the visit.

Answer:

- a. Minister Abbott made the following visits to communities included in the Cape York COAG trail site:

- Wujal Wujal, Weipa and Aurukun from 11-13 September 2002;
- Injinoo, New Mapoon and Umagico from 11-13 March 2003; and
- Coen, Lockhart River, attend Croc Fest on Thursday Island, Injinoo, Umagico and New Mapoon from 19-26 July 2003.

Minister Andrews visited Napranum and Weipa from 26-28 August 2004.

- b. Secretary made the following visits:

- Wujal Wujal, Weipa and Aurukun from 11-13 September 2002;
- Wujal Wujal, 6-8 November 2002 to meet with community leaders;
- Cape York, 11-13 March 2003 (accompanied Minister Abbott); and
- Cairns, 12 June 2003 to meet with Cape York Leaders.

In addition, Dr Boxall attended the following meetings around the COAG trial which were convened in Brisbane and Cairns:

- Brisbane, Cape York Partnerships CEO Steering and also to address Queensland State Managers of Australian Government Agencies with responsibilities in Cape York, 15 August 2002;
- Brisbane, Cape York Partnerships CEO Steering Committee, 15 October 2002;
- Brisbane, Cape York Partnerships CEO Steering Committee, 19 November 2002;
- Brisbane, Cape York Partnerships CEO Steering Committee, 21 May 2003;
- Cairns, Cape York Leaders Forum, 12 June 2003;
- Brisbane, Cape York Partnerships CEO Steering Committee, 17 September 2003;
- Brisbane, Cape York Partnerships CEO Steering Committee, 30 April 2004;
and
- Brisbane, Cape York Partnerships CEO Steering Committee and to meet with Cape Brisbane, York leaders and Queensland Government Agency Departmental Heads regarding Cape York Indigenous Employment Strategy, 17 September 2004.