

**Senate Rural Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**Supplementary Budget Estimates October 2010**  
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**Corporate Policy Division**

**Q1 Senator Macdonald – Responses to May QoNs**  
*(Proof Hansard 20/10/10, page 10)*

How many responses were sent up by the due date to the minister's office?

**Answer:**

129 responses.

**Q2 Senator Colbeck – Dr Kelly's electorate/ministerial office Queanbeyan**  
*(Proof Hansard 20/10/10, page 18)*

Has there been extra space provided to Dr Kelly for his electorate/ministerial Queanbeyan office since his appointment?

**Answer:**

No.

**Climate Change Division**

**Q3 Senator Colbeck – Resource breakdown for the illegal logging election commitment**  
*(Proof Hansard 20/10/10, page 14)*

What is the resource breakdown for the illegal logging election commitment for staff compared with services?

**Answer:**

**Break down of total costs of illegal logging policy**

<b>Component</b>	<b>2010/11</b>	<b>2011/12</b>	<b>2012/13</b>	<b>2013/14</b>	<b>Total</b>
Services (eg development of trademark code of conduct, compliance and enforcement arrangements and legal advice)	\$428,000	\$456,000	\$289,000	\$388,000	\$1,561,000
Staff costs (FTE)	\$538,000	\$473,000	\$509,000	\$304,000	\$1,824,000
<b>Total Costs of policy</b>	<b>\$965,000</b>	<b>\$929,000</b>	<b>\$798,000</b>	<b>\$692,000</b>	<b>\$3,384,000</b>

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 Date: *20* October 2010

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**Q4 Senator Siewert – WA Pilot - Farm Family Support Measure**  
*(Proof Hansard 20/10/10, page 22)*

What is the breakdown for applications for Farm Family Support not being granted?

**Answer:**

Centrelink advise that as of 1 October 2010, 55 applications have been rejected. Centrelink has recorded the reason for the rejections as:

Failure to supply necessary information needed to assess claim	42
Income precludes entitlement	9
Others – including withdrawn claims	4

No applications have been recorded as rejected for being outside the pilot region.

Centrelink advise that all claimants are contacted by phone before a decision is taken to reject the claim because supporting documents have not been supplied. Rural Services Officers are also available to assist.

If applicants seek a review of the decision within 13 weeks of being advised of the rejection and are subsequently successful, the claim will be granted based on the original date of application.

**ABARE-BRS**

In the ABARE-BRS session we advised that we would check on the availability of the peer review of the ABARE-BRS study on the Murray Darling Basin Authority's (MDBA) website. We have been advised by the MDBA that the review is not presently on their website. We will pass on your request for this information to the MDBA.

**Sustainable Resource Management Division**

**Q5 Senator Macdonald – Caring for our Country regional base-level funding**  
*(Proof Hansard 20/10/10, pages 65-66)*

What is the breakdown of regional base-level funding approved for each State?

**Answer:**

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Please refer to **Attachment A**

**Sustainable Resource Management Division (continued)**

**Q6** **Senator Macdonald – Caring for our Country funding approved (*Proof Hansard 20/10/10, pages 66, 69 and 70*)**

What is the breakdown of Caring for our Country funding approved for each State?

**Answer:**

Please refer to **Attachment B**

**Q7** **Senator Macdonald – Caring for our Country review (*Proof Hansard 20/10/10 page 72*)**

What broad categories of stakeholders are to be consulted in the Caring for our Country review?

**Answer:**

The stakeholder categories that will be consulted include:

- Regional natural resource management organisations
- Non government organisations
- Industry organisations
- Government agencies (including Commonwealth, State and Local)
- Landcare and community groups
- Indigenous organisations and groups
- Researchers
- Caring for our Country applicants
- General public

## Q. What is the breakdown of regional base-level funding approved for each State?

Note: Approvals for Regional base level funding are included in whole of Caring for our Country approval figures

Region by Jurisdiction - base level funding	Expenses 2008-09 *	Ongoing Annual Allocation from 2009-10	Expenses 2009-10	Activities Approved 2010-11	Activities Approved 2011-12	Activities Approved 2012-13	Total Approved
<b>Australian Capital Territory</b>							
Australian Capital Territory	1,350,000	1,359,000	1,359,000	1,359,000.00	-	-	4,068,000
<b>New South Wales</b>							
Border Rivers - Gwydir	2,460,000	2,120,000	2,120,000	2,120,000.00	170,803.00	-	6,870,803
Central West	3,240,000	2,943,000	2,943,000	2,943,000.00	2,943,000.00	2,943,000.00	15,012,000
Hawkesbury - Nepean	3,370,000	2,917,000	2,917,000	2,917,000.00	2,917,000.00	2,917,000.00	15,038,000
Hunter - Central Rivers	3,810,000	3,354,000	3,354,000	3,354,000.00	1,175,199.00	1,123,809.00	12,817,008
Lachlan	3,370,000	2,804,000	2,804,000	2,804,000.00	2,804,000.00	2,804,000.00	14,586,000
Lower Murray Darling	2,110,000	1,843,000	1,843,000	1,843,000.00	1,843,000.00	1,843,000.00	9,482,000
Murray	4,300,000	4,015,000	4,015,000	4,015,000.00	4,015,000.00	4,015,000.00	20,360,000
Murrumbidgee	4,530,000	4,115,000	4,115,000	4,115,000.00	4,115,000.00	4,115,000.00	20,990,000
Namoi	2,580,000	1,659,000	1,659,000	1,659,000.00	-	-	5,898,000
Northern Rivers	4,410,000	3,410,000	3,410,000	3,410,000.00	3,410,000.00	3,410,000.00	18,050,000
Southern Rivers	3,680,000	2,839,000	2,839,000	2,839,000.00	2,839,000.00	2,839,000.00	15,036,000
Sydney Metro	750,000	764,000	764,000	764,000.00	470,000.00	470,000.00	3,218,000
Western	2,400,000	2,468,000	2,468,000	2,468,000.00	1,815,831.00	1,815,831.00	10,967,662
<b>New South Wales Total</b>	<b>41,010,000</b>	<b>35,251,000</b>	<b>35,251,000</b>	<b>35,251,000</b>	<b>28,517,833</b>	<b>28,295,640</b>	<b>168,325,473</b>
<b>Northern Territory</b>							
Northern Territory	4,275,000	3,687,000	3,687,000	3,687,000.00	368,700.00	368,700.00	12,386,400
<b>Queensland</b>							
Border Rivers Maranoa - Balonne	2,640,000	2,489,000	2,489,000	2,489,000.00	2,489,000.00	2,489,000.00	12,596,000
Burdekin	2,670,000	1,843,000	1,843,000	1,843,000.00	1,054,261.00	-	7,410,261
Burnett Mary	2,050,000	2,028,000	2,028,000	2,028,000.00	2,028,000.00	2,028,000.00	10,162,000
Cape York	1,660,000	1,530,000	1,530,000	-	-	-	3,190,000
Condamine	1,980,000	1,982,000	1,982,000	1,982,000.00	1,982,000.00	1,982,000.00	9,908,000
Desert Channels	1,600,000	1,543,000	1,543,000	1,543,000.00	1,543,000.00	1,543,000.00	7,772,000
Fitzroy	2,860,000	2,304,000	2,304,000	2,304,000.00	2,304,000.00	1,856,765.00	11,628,765
Mackay Whitsunday	1,150,000	1,033,000	1,033,000	1,033,000.00	1,033,000.00	1,033,000.00	5,282,000
Northern Gulf	1,310,000	1,171,000	1,171,000	1,171,000.00	1,171,000.00	1,171,000.00	5,994,000
South East Queensland	2,640,000	2,304,000	2,304,000	2,304,000.00	2,304,000.00	2,304,000.00	11,856,000
South West Queensland	1,500,000	1,390,000	1,390,000	1,390,000.00	1,390,000.00	1,390,000.00	7,060,000
Southern Gulf	1,310,000	1,122,000	1,122,000	1,122,000.00	1,122,000.00	1,122,000.00	5,798,000
Torres Strait	940,000	822,000	822,000	822,000.00	822,000.00	822,000.00	4,228,000
Wet Tropics	1,450,000	1,459,000	1,459,000	1,459,000.00	1,459,000.00	1,459,000.00	7,286,000
<b>Queensland Total</b>	<b>25,760,000</b>	<b>23,020,000</b>	<b>23,020,000</b>	<b>21,490,000</b>	<b>20,701,261</b>	<b>19,199,765</b>	<b>110,171,026</b>
<b>South Australia</b>							
Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges	2,280,000	2,209,000	2,209,000	2,209,000.00	2,209,000.00	2,209,000.00	11,116,000
Alinytjara Wilurara	1,990,000	1,751,000	1,751,000	1,751,000.00	1,751,000.00	1,751,000.00	8,994,000
Eyre Peninsula	2,070,000	1,843,000	1,843,000	1,843,000.00	1,843,000.00	1,843,000.00	9,442,000
Kangaroo Island	1,450,000	1,187,000	1,187,000	1,187,000.00	260,800.00	-	4,084,800
Northern and Yorke	1,698,000	1,567,000	1,567,000	1,567,000.00	-	-	4,832,000
South Australian Arid Lands	1,800,000	1,659,000	1,659,000	1,659,000.00	1,252,000.00	1,252,000.00	7,622,000
South Australian Murray Darling Basin	5,080,000	4,741,000	4,741,000	4,741,000.00	3,872,078.00	3,872,078.00	22,306,156
South East	2,612,000	2,389,000	2,389,000	2,389,000.00	-	-	7,390,000
<b>South Australia Total</b>	<b>18,980,000</b>	<b>17,346,000</b>	<b>17,346,000</b>	<b>17,346,000</b>	<b>11,187,878</b>	<b>10,927,078</b>	<b>75,786,956</b>
<b>Tasmania</b>							
North	1,970,000	2,028,000	2,028,000	2,028,000.00	2,028,000.00	1,878,000.00	9,932,000
North West	2,060,000	1,843,000	1,843,000	1,843,000.00	1,843,000.00	1,843,000.00	9,432,000
South	1,800,000	1,843,000	1,843,000	1,843,000.00	1,843,000.00	1,843,000.00	9,172,000
<b>Tasmania Total</b>	<b>5,830,000</b>	<b>5,714,000</b>	<b>5,714,000</b>	<b>5,714,000</b>	<b>5,714,000</b>	<b>5,564,000</b>	<b>28,536,000</b>
<b>Victoria</b>							
Corangamite	3,050,001	2,765,000	2,765,000	2,765,000.00	2,765,000.00	2,765,001.00	14,110,002
East Gippsland	2,349,998	2,335,000	2,335,000	2,335,000.00	2,335,000.00	2,335,000.00	11,689,998
Glenelg Hopkins	3,250,001	2,541,000	2,541,000	2,541,000.00	2,541,000.00	2,541,000.00	13,414,001
Goulburn Broken	4,450,000	3,993,000	3,993,000	3,993,000.00	3,993,000.00	3,993,000.00	20,422,000
Mallee	3,525,000	2,724,000	2,724,000	2,724,000.00	2,724,000.00	2,724,000.00	14,421,000
North Central	3,650,000	3,484,000	3,484,000	3,484,000.00	3,484,000.00	3,484,000.00	17,586,000
North East	2,609,999	1,843,000	1,843,000	1,843,000.00	1,843,000.00	1,843,000.00	9,981,999
Port Phillip and Westernport	3,150,000	2,996,000	2,996,000	2,996,000.00	2,996,000.00	2,996,000.00	15,134,000
West Gippsland	3,060,001	2,535,000	2,535,000	2,535,000.00	2,535,000.00	2,535,000.00	13,200,001
Wimmera	3,280,000	2,304,000	2,304,000	2,304,000.00	2,304,000.00	2,304,000.00	12,496,000
<b>Victoria Total</b>	<b>32,375,000</b>	<b>27,520,000</b>	<b>27,520,000</b>	<b>27,520,000</b>	<b>27,520,000</b>	<b>27,520,001</b>	<b>142,455,001</b>
<b>Western Australia</b>							
Avon	4,609,000	3,926,000	3,926,000	3,926,000.00	3,580,820.00	3,573,427.00	19,615,247
Northern Agricultural	4,599,000	3,915,000	3,915,000	3,915,000.00	3,428,100.00	2,931,000.00	18,788,100
Rangelands	4,410,000	3,963,000	3,963,000	3,963,000.00	687,741.00	747,287.00	13,771,028
South Coast	5,921,000	4,713,000	4,713,000	4,713,000.00	2,754,625.00	2,314,507.00	20,416,132
South West	6,651,000	5,282,000	5,282,000	5,282,000.00	-	-	17,215,000
Swan	3,230,000	2,304,000	2,304,000	2,304,000.00	2,006,691.00	1,691,931.00	11,536,622
<b>Western Australia Total</b>	<b>29,420,000</b>	<b>24,103,000</b>	<b>24,103,000</b>	<b>24,103,000</b>	<b>12,457,977</b>	<b>11,258,152</b>	<b>101,342,129</b>
<b>Australia Wide</b>							
	<b>159,000,000</b>	<b>138,000,000</b>	<b>138,000,000</b>	<b>136,470,000</b>	<b>106,467,649</b>	<b>103,133,336</b>	<b>643,070,985</b>

All figures are GST Exclusive

Q. What is the breakdown of Caring for our Country funding approved for each State?

**Total Caring for our Country approvals by State as at 30 September 2010 (\$ million)**

Jurisdiction	2008-09 Expenses	2009-10 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2010-11 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2011-12 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2012-13 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	Total Expenses and Approvals
New South Wales	84.187	67.164	59.524	37.560	34.054	282.489
Victoria	53.974	41.498	37.260	32.742	30.637	196.110
Queensland	86.455	107.315	74.666	69.301	53.559	391.296
Western Australia	40.814	35.252	35.503	22.707	17.874	152.150
South Australia	28.595	26.124	28.591	19.717	17.153	120.180
Tasmania	16.756	20.948	16.347	16.742	15.333	86.126
Australian Capital Territory	1.634	1.443	1.755	0.596	0.335	5.764
Northern Territory	10.015	18.176	14.216	9.416	8.840	60.664
Multi-jurisdictional	109.489	90.861	78.767	67.957	62.800	409.874
<b>Total</b>	<b>431.921</b>	<b>408.782</b>	<b>346.628</b>	<b>276.738</b>	<b>240.584</b>	<b>1,704.652</b>

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**Special Account Approvals by State as at 30 September 2010 (\$ million)**

Jurisdiction	2008-09 Expenses	2009-10 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2010-11 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2011-12 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2012-13 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	Total Expenses and Approvals
New South Wales	75.625	20.906	13.665	6.029	3.358	119.584
Victoria	48.505	10.065	5.600	2.658	1.094	67.922
Queensland	78.612	76.520	43.727	40.838	27.234	266.931
Western Australia	37.254	8.923	8.433	7.888	4.754	67.252
South Australia	25.393	5.774	5.033	4.756	2.984	43.941
Tasmania	15.537	14.336	8.691	9.800	8.664	57.029
Australian Capital Territory	1.618	0.084	0.246	0.446	0.185	2.580
Northern Territory	8.263	12.689	5.003	3.677	2.843	32.474
Multi-jurisdictional	94.265	67.832	63.509	58.410	53.013	337.030
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>385.073</b>	<b>217.131</b>	<b>153.907</b>	<b>134.503</b>	<b>104.129</b>	<b>994.742</b>

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**Landcare Appropriation Approvals by State as at 30 September 2010 (\$ million)**

Jurisdiction	2008-09 Expenses	2009-10 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2010-11 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2011-12 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2012-13 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	Total Expenses and Approvals
New South Wales	5.141	5.285	5.609	3.014	2.400	21.448
Victoria	5.469	1.668	2.848	2.208	1.669	13.862
Queensland	6.560	4.275	4.628	3.383	3.217	22.063
Western Australia	3.560	1.846	2.237	1.621	1.170	10.434
South Australia	2.682	2.174	2.957	2.110	1.679	11.602
Tasmania	1.219	0.898	1.326	0.544	0.450	4.438
Australian Capital Territory	0.016	-	0.150	0.150	0.150	0.466
Northern Territory	1.752	1.670	0.953	0.572	0.508	5.455
Multi-jurisdictional	11.819	17.303	10.385	9.547	9.460	58.513
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>38.219</b>	<b>35.119</b>	<b>31.094</b>	<b>23.148</b>	<b>20.703</b>	<b>148.282</b>

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Q. What is the breakdown of Caring for our Country funding approved for each State?

Regional base-level funding (delivered through Treasury as an NPP) Approvals by State as at 30 September 2010 (\$ million)	2009-10 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2010-11 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2011-12 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2012-13 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	Total Expenses and Approvals
New South Wales	-	35.251	35.251	28.518	127.315
Victoria	-	27.520	27.520	27.520	110.080
Queensland	-	23.020	21.490	20.701	84.411
Western Australia	-	24.103	24.103	12.458	71.922
South Australia	-	17.346	17.346	11.188	56.807
Tasmania	-	5.714	5.714	5.564	22.706
Australian Capital Territory	-	1.359	1.359	-	2.718
Northern Territory	-	3.687	3.687	0.369	8.111
Multi-jurisdictional	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub-total</b>	-	<b>138.000</b>	<b>136.470</b>	<b>106.468</b>	<b>484.071</b>

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\*\*\* In 2008-09 these payments were appropriated from the National Heritage Trust

Environmental Stewardship Appropriation Approvals by State as at 30 September 2010 (\$ million)	2008-09 Expenses	2009-10 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2010-11 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2011-12 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2012-13 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	Total Expenses and Approvals
New South Wales	3.421	5.722	4.999	4.47***	4.3***	14.142
Victoria	-	2.245	0.967	-	-	3.212
Queensland	0.368	0.209	0.196	0.19***	0.191***	0.773
Western Australia	-	-	-	0***	-	-
South Australia	-	0.300	1.700	0.5***	-	2.000
Tasmania	-	-	-	-	-	-
Australian Capital Territory	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northern Territory	-	-	-	-	-	-
Multi-jurisdictional	3.246	4.310	4.677	0.13***	-	12.233
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>7.035</b>	<b>12.786</b>	<b>12.539</b>	-	-	<b>32.359</b>

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\*\*\* Environmental Stewardship budgets for 2011-12 and 2012-13 have not been confirmed.

Administered amounts identified are the minimum funds required from the Contingency Reserve to meet known commitments.

#### Indigenous Rangers (Working on Country Appropriation) Approvals by State as at 30 September 2010 (\$ million)

All Indigenous Rangers project approvals against WOC appropriation reported as Multi-jurisdictional.

Jurisdiction	2008-09 Expenses	2009-10 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2010-11 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2011-12 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	2012-13 Investment approved by Ministers or Delegates	Total Expenses and Approvals
New South Wales	-	-	-	0.356	0.354	1.035
Victoria	-	-	0.325	4.379	3.908	17.118
Queensland	0.915	3.290	4.626	0.740	0.692	2.541
Western Australia	-	0.379	0.730	1.662	1.563	5.830
South Australia	0.520	0.530	0.615	0.684	0.655	1.953
Tasmania	-	-	-	-	-	-
Australian Capital Territory	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Northern Territory	-	0.131	4.573	4.799	5.121	14.624
Multi-jurisdictional	0.159	1.416	0.195	-	0.327	2.097
<b>Sub-total</b>	<b>1.594</b>	<b>5.746</b>	<b>12.619</b>	<b>12.619</b>	<b>12.619</b>	<b>45.197</b>

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