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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Question without notice

Thursday, 10 April 2014

Hon Robin Chappie to the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Lands.

Regarding Question on Notice 2675 asked in the Legislative Council on Thursday, 16 September 2010, I ask:

1. What is the current density of the goat population in the vicinity of Quobba Station?
2. In 2010, the Minister said that the destruction in the Red Bluff area was caused by the effects of drought, rather than over grazing. Does the Minister still believe this is a true and accurate assessment today?
3. If yes to (2), why?
4. If no to (2), why not?

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I thank the Hon. Member for some notice of this question.

(1) The most recent information, as at June 2013, indicates that 883 goats were removed from Quobba Station. This equates to an average density of approximately 1.2 goats removed per square kilometre.

(2) Yes

(3) No more recent information regarding rangeland condition on Quobba station has become available since 2010.

(4) Not applicable

