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QUESTION WITHOUT NOTICE (Of which some notice has been given)

Tuesday, 6 May 2014

Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Agriculture and Food.

- 1. How many goats have been removed from Quobba, Gnaraloo and Waroora Stations in the last seven years by year?
- 2. Has this reduced the number of goats on these properties over the last seven years?
- 3. If yes to (2), by how many per property?

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

1. From the information available, an estimated 20 173 goats have been removed from the three stations over the past seven years. This is made up of:

Quobba Station – 6006 goats removed over the seven year period.

2008/9 - 801

2009/10 - 1223

2010/11 - 0

2011/12 - 1089

2012/13 - 789

2013/14 - 754 (plus 1350 shot)

Gnaraloo Station - 700-800 goats removed each year since 2009 with the exception of 2010 when there was no road access due to flooding.

Waroora Station – 11 178 goats removed for the seven year period (annual figures not provided).

- 2. Yes, a significant reduction is reported for each of the three stations.
- 3. Quobba Station 6006 goats removed over the seven year period. Gnaraloo Station A total of 3000 goats is assumed based on an average of 750 goats removed annually for the four year period excluding 2010.

 Waroora Station Seven years ago, 2500 were being removed annually. This has reduced progressively to less than 800 being removed annually.

MINISTER FOR AGRICULTURE AND FOOD