

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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QUESTION ON NOTICE

Tuesday, 27 June 2017

090. Hon Robin Chapple to the Minister for Environment:

- (1) I refer to Vimy Resources proposed Mulga Rocks uranium project in the Eastern Goldfields, and ask:
- (a) has any native vegetation previously been cleared at the project site:
 - (i) if yes to (a), when did this clearing occur;
 - (ii) was a permit to clear native vegetation provided at every instance;
 - (iii) if a permit was not required, why not;
 - (iv) was a report ever provided on the impacts clearing at this site would have on native fauna;
 - (v) if no to (iv), why not; and
 - (vi) is the impact of clearing on native fauna at this site unknown;
 - (b) have any roads been previously cleared to the project site:
 - (i) if yes to (b), please name all roads;
 - (ii) when was each named road cleared;
 - (iii) was a clearing permit provided for each instance;
 - (iv) if no to (iii), why not;
 - (v) was a report ever provided on the impacts that clearing this road(s) would have on native fauna; and
 - (vi) if no to (v), why not;
 - (c) have any buildings or other infrastructure been erected, constructed or otherwise placed at the project site;
 - (d) are there any operations currently being undertaken at the project site:
 - (i) have any operations, other than aforementioned clearing, previously been undertaken at the project site;
 - (ii) is there any planned operations at the site; and
 - (iii) if yes to (d)(ii), will the Minister please table the information;
 - (e) are there any personnel situated at the site:
 - (i) if yes to (e), what is their purpose;
 - (f) are there regular personnel movements to and from the site:
 - (i) if yes to (f), what is their purpose;
 - (g) will the Minister please provide detailed information of all previous mineral surveys conducted at the site;
 - (h) will the Minister please provide detailed information of all previous digs conducted at the site;
 - (i) has any ore material ever been removed from the site:
 - (i) when did this occur;
 - (ii) why did this occur; and
 - (iii) on how many occasions has this occurred;
 - (j) is there waste material stored at the site:

(ll) does the project have a flora response to fire management plan for final environmental approval;
(mm) does the project have a seed ecology management plan for final environmental approval;
(nn) does the project have a soil water dynamis management plan for final environmental approval;
(oo) does the project have a plant water use management plan for final environmental approval;
(pp) does the project have a overburden physical and hydraulic characterisation management plan for final environmental approval;
(qq) does the project have a slow and material stability management plan for final environmental approval;
(rr) does the project have a wind erosion management plan for final environmental approval;
(ss) does the project have a geochemical characterisation management plan for final environmental approval;
(tt) does the project have a column leaching management plan for final environmental approval;
(uu) does the project have a tailings rheology management plan for final environmental approval;
(vv) does the project have a seepage analysis management plan for final environmental approval;
(ww) does the project have a solute fate and transport management plan for final environmental approval;
(xx) does the project have a compliance assessment plan required by the State Environment Minister;
(yy) does the project have a flora and vegetation monitoring and management plan required by the State Environment Minister;
(zz) does the project have a terrestrial fauna monitoring and management plan required by the State Environment Minister;
(aaa) does the project have an Aboriginal Heritage Management plan required by the State Environment Minister;
(bbb) does the project have a groundwater monitoring and management plan required by the State Environment Minister;
(ccc) does the project have a soil monitoring and management plan required by the State Environment Minister;
(ddd) does the project have a tailings storage facility monitoring and management plan required by the State Environment Minister; and
(eee) does the project have an above ground tailings storage facility monitoring and management plan required by the State Environment Minister?
(2) With respect to everything in (1), does Vimy Resources have all necessary approvals to mine and export yellow cake uranium out of Western Australia from the proposed Mulga Rocks uranium project in the Eastern Goldfields?

Answer:

(1)(a)-(j) I refer the Member to the answer to Legislative Council Question on Notice 088 from the Minister for Mines and Petroleum.

(k)-(o) I refer the Member to the answer to Legislative Council Question on Notice 089 from the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs.

(p) I refer the Member to the answer to Legislative Council Question on Notice 088 from the Minister for Mines and Petroleum.

(q) No.

(r) - (aa) I refer the Member to the answer to Legislative Council Question on Notice 088 from the Minister for Mines and Petroleum.

(bb)-(dd) I refer the Member to the answer to Legislative Council Question on Notice 087 from the Minister for Water.

(ee)-(ii) This is the responsibility of the Federal Government.

(jj)-(eee) No

(2) No



Hon Stephen Dawson MLC

MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT; DISABILITY SERVICES