

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Legislation Committee
Answers to questions on notice
Environment portfolio

Question No: 177

Hearing: Supplementary Budget Estimates

Outcome: Corporate

Programme: Policy and Communications Division

Topic: Portfolio Wide – Reviews

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Question Date: 27 November 2013

Question Type: Written

Senator Ludwig asked:

What reviews are planned?

- a) When will each planned review be commenced?
- b) When will each of these reviews be concluded?
- c) When will government respond to each review?
- d) Will the government release each review?
 - i. If so, when?
 - ii. If not, why not?

Answer:

The Department of the Environment

Mid Term Review of Natural Resource Management programmes.

- a) Approximately June 2016
- b) To be determined
- c) To be determined
- d) To be determined
- i. To be determined
- ii. N/A

End of Programme Review of Natural Resource Management programmes.

- a) 2019
- b) To be determined
- c) To be determined
- d) To be determined
- i. To be determined
- ii. N/A

Statutory review of the *Water Act 2007* (Water Act).

- a) Expected to commence in early 2014
- b) Expected to be completed by the end of 2014
- c) To be determined
- d) Yes
- i. The Minister must table the review in the Parliament within 15 days of receipt.
- ii. N/A

Independent review of the National Partnership Agreement on Coal Seam Gas and Large Coal Mining Development (Office of Water Science).

- a) 1 July 2014
- b) 31 December 2014
- c) To be determined
- d) Yes
- i. To be determined
- ii. N/A

Review of the management plans for the Commonwealth marine reserves proclaimed in 2012.

- a) Expected that the review will commence in early 2014
- b) The review is expected to take approximately six months
- c) To be determined
- d) To be determined
- i. To be determined
- ii. N/A

Climate Change Authority

First Carbon Farming Initiative Review End of Programme Review of Natural Resource Management programmes.

- a) Yet to commence
- b) 31 December 2014
- c) Within six months of tabling in the Parliament.
- d) Yes
- i. The Minister must table the review in the Parliament within 15 days of receipt.
- ii. N/A

Annual review – progress towards targets and budget.

- a) Yet to commence
- b) 28 February 2015.
- c) Within six months of tabling in the Parliament.
- d) Yes
- i. The Minister must table the review in the Parliament within 15 days of receipt.
- ii. N/A