

To the Committee Secretariat,

Thanks for sharing the proof Hansard record on the hearing.

In terms of typographical corrections, I note on a couple of occasions “Growcom” has been spelt incorrectly as “Grocom”.

With regard the one question I took on notice, please find our response below.

Industry participation in Hort360, the horticulture BMP program owned by Growcom, is high and growing.

Growers responsible for managing approximately 60,000 hectares within GBR catchments have participated in Hort360. By our estimation this represents by area almost 60% of all horticulture being undertaken in GBR catchments.

In terms of numbers of individual growers, to May 2020 approximately 38% of growers located within GBR catchments have participated in the Hort360 Great Barrier Reef project, funded by the Queensland Department of Environment and Science.

Participation in the project can take a number of forms, including workshops, online webinars, farm visits, and completion of online modules that have a Reef water quality outcome.

Please be in touch should you require anything further.

Regards, Rich

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