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List of registered Work for the Dole sites and host organisations

Question

Senator RICE: My final question is about Work for the Dole sites. Could you please provide a current list of all registered Work for the Dole sites and host organisations?

Mr Smyth: We can certainly take that on notice. It's a large list—

Senator RICE: I asked a similar question of Services Australia at the last estimates and their response was, 'A response to this question would require an unreasonable diversion of resources,' which I was not very happy about. You can take it on notice, but are you going to answer it?

Mr Smyth: We will do our best. There are quite a number of sites—well over 1,000.

Ms Ryan: We will be able to, absolutely. We monitor them.

Mr Smyth: We track it.

Ms Ryan: Yes, they have to register them for funding and so forth, so we will know.

Mr Smyth: We'll have that on a database and will be able to provide a spreadsheet for you.

Answer

Attachment A lists organisations that were recorded in the department's IT system as hosting currently approved Work for the Dole activities on 31 March 2023. It includes the organisation name, activity locality and state. A host organisation may have multiple activity locations within a single locality.