

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Legislation Committee**

Answers to questions on notice
Environment and Energy portfolio

Question No: 51
Hearing: Budget Estimates
Outcome: Outcome 1
Program: Biodiversity Conservation Division (BCD)
Topic: Policy Commitments
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Question Type: Written

Senator Bilyk asked:

Has funding contracts for these projects been signed between the Commonwealth and the recipients? If yes, can a copy of the agreement please be provided?

- Have recipients received promised federal funding in full?
- Have the projects commenced?
- Have the projects been completed? If no, what is the expected completion date?
- Can an itemised list of additional costs to the commonwealth related to these projects in excess of the dollar figure previously announced by the Government please be provided?

Commitment - Bushfire risk management fire trails worth \$254,301.

Bowens Creek Fire Trail worth \$100,000

North Harbour Heritage Park Projects worth \$1,500,000.

- Upgrade the Marine Discovery Centre, via improving your Local parks & Environment Program, worth \$100,000.
- Heritage conservation projects at Woolmers Estate, Port Arthur and the Coal Mines Historic Site worth \$300,000.
- Derwent River Waterfront Revitalisation Project - New Norfolk worth \$600,000.
- Final stage of the Three Capes Walk worth \$3,800,000.
- Carlton River Bridge Upgrade worth \$1,200,000.
- Eel aquaculture facility in Bagdad from the Tasmanian Jobs and Investment Fund worth \$400,000.
- Meander Valley Catchment Landcare Group to eradicate feral cats and increase community efforts to protect the Eastern Barred Bandicoot and the Eastern Quoll.
- Environmental modelling for the construction of marine infrastructure at Rosevears Waterfront Tavern via the Regional Tourism Infrastructure and Innovation Fund worth \$150,000.
- Tasmanian Berries at Exton expansion - from Tasmanian Jobs & Investment Fund worth \$430,000.
 - Blue Tier Mountain Bike Trails, stage 2 worth \$1,600,000.
 - Cradle Mountain business care and economic impact statement worth \$1,000,000.
 - Geeves Effect wilderness proposal at Lake Geeves worth \$70,000.
 - Ridge Walk, connecting Upwey/Tecoma to Montrose via Ferny Creek, Sassafras, Olinda, Mount Dandenong, and Kalorama worth \$2,500,000.
 - Gilbert's Potoroo Action Group for the Gilbert's Potoroo worth \$250,000.
 - Martu Traditional Owners for the Mala, Golden Bandicoot worth \$250,000.
 - Cassowary Recovery Team for the Cassowary worth \$150,000.
 - Mungarru Lodge Sanctuary for the Mahogany Glider worth \$50,000.
 - Friends of Ormeau Bottle Tree for the Ormeau Bottle Tree worth \$20,000.

Hunter Bird Observers Club for the Eastern Curlew worth \$20,000.

- Meander Valley Catchment Landcare Group for the Eastern Barred Bandicoot, Eastern Quoll worth \$90,000.

- Friends of Helmeted Honeyeater for the Helmeted Honeyeater worth \$50,000.

- Friends of Terrick Terrick National Park for the Plains Wanderer worth \$20,000.

Answer:

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Project	\$	1	2	3	4	5
Bushfire risk management fire trails	254,301.00	Based on the detail provided, the Department cannot identify a Portfolio funding commitment to this project. It may fall within another portfolio or a State or Local Government funding commitment.				
Bowens Creek Fire Trail	100,000.00	Based on the detail provided, the Department cannot identify a Portfolio funding commitment to this project. It may fall within another portfolio or a State or Local Government funding commitment.				
North Harbour Heritage Park Projects	1,500,000.00	Based on the detail provided, the Department cannot identify a Portfolio funding commitment to this project. It may fall within another portfolio or a State or Local Government funding commitment.				
Upgrade the Marine Discovery Centre	100,000.00	Yes	No (\$90,000)	Yes	No 30/6/18	N/A
Heritage conservation projects at Woolmers Estate	300,000.00	Yes	No (\$216,000)	Yes	No 30/8/17	N/A
Derwent River Waterfront Revitalisation Project - New Norfolk	600,000.00	Based on the detail provided, the Department cannot identify a Portfolio funding commitment to this project. It may fall within another portfolio or a State or Local Government funding commitment.				
Final stage of the Three Capes Walk	3,800,000.00	Based on the detail provided, the Department cannot identify a Portfolio funding commitment to this project. It may fall within another portfolio or a State or Local Government funding commitment.				
Carlton River Bridge Upgrade	1,200,000.00	Based on the detail provided, the Department cannot identify a Portfolio funding commitment to this project. It may fall within another portfolio or a State or Local Government funding commitment.				
Eel aquaculture facility in Bagdad from the Tasmanian Jobs and Investment Fund	400,000.00	Based on the detail provided, the Department cannot identify a Portfolio funding commitment to this project. It may fall within another portfolio or a State or Local Government funding commitment.				
Meander Valley Catchment Landcare Group to eradicate feral cats and increase community efforts to protect the Eastern Barred Bandicoot and the Eastern Quoll	90,000.00	This is a duplication of the below project - Meander Valley Catchment Landcare Group for the Eastern Barred Bandicoot, Eastern Quoll				

Environmental modelling for the construction of marine infrastructure at Rosevears Waterfront Tavern via the Regional Tourism Infrastructure and Innovation Fund	150,000.00	Based on the detail provided, the Department cannot identify a Portfolio funding commitment to this project. It may fall within another portfolio or a State or Local Government funding commitment.				
Tasmanian Berries at Exton expansion - from Tasmanian Jobs & Investment Fund	430,000.00	Based on the detail provided, the Department cannot identify a Portfolio funding commitment to this project. It may fall within another portfolio or a State or Local Government funding commitment.				
Blue Tier Mountain Bike Trails	1,600,000.00	Based on the detail provided, the Department cannot identify a Portfolio funding commitment to this project. It may fall within another portfolio or a State or Local Government funding commitment.				
Cradle Mountain business case and economic impact statement	1,000,000.00	Based on the detail provided, the Department cannot identify a Portfolio funding commitment to this project. It may fall within another portfolio or a State or Local Government funding commitment.				
Geeves Effect wilderness proposal at Lake Geeves	70,000.00	Based on the detail provided, the Department cannot identify a Portfolio funding commitment to this project. It may fall within another portfolio or a State or Local Government funding commitment.				
Ridge Walk, connecting Upwey/Tecoma to Montrose via Ferny Creek, Sassafras, Olinda, Mount Dandenong, and Kalorama		Based on the detail provided, the Department cannot identify a Portfolio funding commitment to this project. It may fall within another portfolio or a State or Local Government funding commitment.				
Gilbert's Potoroo Action Group for the Gilbert's Potoroo	250,000.00	Yes	No (\$150,000)	Yes	No 30/9/2018	N/A
Martu Traditional Owners for the Mala, Golden Bandicoot	250,000.00	Yes	No (\$150,000)	Yes	No 30/6/2018	N/A
Cassowary Recovery Team for the Cassowary	150,000.00	Yes	No (\$100,000)	Yes	No 30/6/18	N/A
Mungarru Lodge Sanctuary for the Mahogany Glider	50,000.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	No 30/6/18	N/A
Friends of Ormeau Bottle Tree for the Ormeau Bottle Tree	20,000.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	No 30/6/18	N/A

Hunter Bird Observers Club for the Eastern Curlew	20,000.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	No 30/6/18	N/A
Meander Valley Catchment Landcare Group for the Eastern Barred Bandicoot, Eastern Quoll	90,000.00	Yes	No (70,000)	Yes	No 30/6/18	N/A
Friends of Helmeted Honeyeater for the Helmeted Honeyeater	50,000.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	No 30/6/18	N/A
Friends of Terrick Terrick National Park for the Plains Wanderer	20,000.00	Yes	Yes	Yes	No 30/6/18	N/A

The Department publishes details of all grants on its website, however, the Department does not release copies of funding agreements.