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Topic: ABC Weather Map

Senator Reynolds, Linda asked:

Why are the Australian Indian Ocean Territories excluded from the ABC's weather map service?

Answer:

ABC News is in the process of reviewing its weather maps. The consideration of the inclusion of any new locations on the maps includes:

- The effect this would have on the presentation of the maps, such as reducing the font size of current locations.
- Amending the weather tender process to obtain new location information.
- Public demand for the new inclusion of new locations.

In the last two years the ABC has received two relevant requests - one request for Cocos Islands to be included in Western Australia weather bulletins and one request for the inclusion of a temperature range for Christmas Island.