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Answers to questions on notice  
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**Senator McKim asked:**

1. What is the current status of the Strategic Species Plan for the Swift Parrot, authored by the Tasmanian Department of Primary Industries, Parks and Water Environment?
2. Has the Tasmanian Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment provided a draft version of the Swift Parrot Strategic Species Plan to the Commonwealth, either through the Recovery Team or other channels?
3. If not, what actions is the Commonwealth taking to ensure the Tasmanian Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment provides the Swift Parrot Strategic Species Plan to the Commonwealth?
4. What discussions are underway with the Tasmanian Department of Primary Industries, Parks and Water Environment regarding the Tasmanian department's continued participation in the Swift Parrot Recovery Team?

**Answer:**

1. A final draft of the Strategic Species Plan for the Swift Parrot is currently with the Tasmanian Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment for consideration and approval.
2. The Department is represented on a steering committee which has oversight of the drafting of the Strategic Species Plan for the Swift Parrot.
3. As a member of the steering committee, the Department is working with the Tasmanian Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment to finalise the plan as one of the key actions identified under the Swift Parrot Recovery Plan.
4. The Department is in discussion with the Tasmanian Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment (DPIPWE) regarding its ongoing participation on the Swift Parrot Recovery Team with a view to having DPIPWE represented at the next recovery team meeting.