

**Rural & Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee**  
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
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**Infrastructure and Transport**

**Question no.:** 77

**Program:** n/a

**Division/Agency:** (OTS) Office of Transport Security

**Topic:** Regional Aviation

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**Senator Macdonald asked:**

In 2012 the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport committed \$4.9 million in funding for improvements to regional airports – ranging from \$100,000 - \$460,000. These airports included Horn Island, Cloncurry, Barcaldine, Bundaberg and Longreach.

1. How much of the \$4.9 million has been spent?
2. What work has commenced and what has been completed?
3. Has the department assessed the cost of taxiway and apron expansions at Horn Island airport and have applications been received for assistance?

**Answer:**

1. How much of the \$4.9 million has been spent?

All the \$4.9 million has been expended.

2. What work has commenced and what has been completed?

Work for which funding is provided from the committed funds has been completed.

3. Has the department assessed the cost of taxiway and apron expansions at Horn Island airport and have applications been received for assistance?

The department has not been required to assess the cost of taxiway and apron expansions at Horn Island Airport. From 2012, no application for assistance has been made under the Regional Aviation Access Program.