

Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee Budget Estimates 2018-19 Friday, 25 May 2018 Daily summary

Here is the summary of today's proceedings in the Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Legislation Committee estimates hearing.

The committee met from 9.01am until 3.52pm.

The committee called:

• Water Division of the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources, Murray-Darling Basin Authority, Commonwealth Environmental Water Office and Commonwealth Environmental Water Holder.

Topics discussed by the committee included:

- progress on the development of the Basin Compliance Compact;
- documents included in the Orders for Production of Documents 579 and 708;
- update on the 36 Sustainable Diversion Limit adjustment projects, including the oversight of these projects by the Murray-Darling Basin Authority and the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources;
- development of water resource plans, including consultation with Indigenous groups;
- overview of environmental water undertakings completed by the Commonwealth Environmental Water Office over the previous twelve months; and
- air travel by Murray-Darling Basin Authority and Department of Agriculture and Water Resources staff.