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* 8993 AGRICULTURE—BEEKEEPERS REGISTRATION—The Hon. Mick Veitch to ask the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads representing the Minister for Agriculture, and Minister for Western New South Wales—

- (1) How many registered beekeepers are there in New South Wales?
 - (a) How many of these are commercial beekeepers?
 - (b) How many are recreational?
- (2) What is the annual revenue from registration fees?
- (3) How many hives have been registered in New South Wales?

Answer—

- (1) As of the 5 July 2022, there were 14,710 registered beekeepers in New South Wales.
 - (a) 1,317 are registered as commercial beekeepers.
 - (b) 13,393 are registered as recreational beekeepers.
- (2) The revenue from registration fees received in 2021-22 was \$410,426.
- (3) The number of hives registered in New South Wales is 392,799.

* 8994 LANDS AND WATER—MOLE RIVER DAM GRANT—The Hon. Mark Latham to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth representing the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—

- (1) In deciding not to proceed with the Mole River Dam, what use has the Government made of the \$24 million grant it received from the Federal Government for this project?
- (2) How does the Government account for all expenditure of the grant, including onsite works?

Answer—

- (1) The Commonwealth commitment for the development of a Detailed Business Case for Mole River Dam was \$12 million.

The Government has only claimed \$10 million in the development of a strategic business case.

- (2) The \$10 million in milestone payments received from the Australian Government was used towards:
 - Developing the Strategic Business Case.
 - Undertaking design and environmental studies that included:
 - Reference design.
 - Cost estimation.
 - Environmental baseline studies.
 - Hydrological Modelling.
 - Options evaluation.
 - Stakeholder engagement.
 - Financial and economic modelling.

There have been no onsite works beyond those carried out for environmental investigations.

The SBC recommended not progressing to a FBC and further investigating licence conversions through the process of implementing the Border Rivers.

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9254 LANDS AND WATER—WARRAGAMBA DAM SPILLAGE—The Hon. Rose Jackson to ask the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Minister for the Arts, and Minister for Regional Youth representing the Minister for Lands and Water, and Minister for Hospitality and Racing—

- (1) For each of the following flooding events, how many gicalitres of water spilled over the Warragamba Dam wall?
 - (a) March 2021?
 - (b) March 2022?
 - (c) July 2022?

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