

**The Hon Tara Moriarty MLC**

Minister for Agriculture  
Minister for Regional New South Wales  
Minister for Western New South Wales

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS FOR WRITTEN ANSWERS****COUNCILLOR CONDUCT FRAMEWORK**

**The Hon. TANIA MIHAILUK:** My supplementary question for written answer is directed to the Minister for Agriculture, representing the Minister for Local Government.

Will the Minister provide a written answer with respect to issuing a timetable as to when the Councillor Conduct Framework will be finalised? Will the submissions be made publicly available, particularly from the agencies that are prepared to make their submissions publicly available?

**ANSWER:**

I am advised:

Consultation on a discussion paper to create a new framework for Councillor conduct and meeting practices closed at the end of November 2024. Over 200 submissions were received to the discussion paper. The discussion paper set out a number of approaches and questions to improve the framework to guide more detailed proposals such as the recently released Consultation Draft on the Meeting Code of Practice. This feedback is being reviewed and is informing the next stages of the Councillor Conduct Framework. Submissions to the discussion paper will be released publicly unless confidentiality has been requested.

The Government will continue to take sector and community feedback onboard and release further detail about the Councillor Conduct Framework in the first half of 2025.

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**The Hon Daniel Mookhey MLC**  
Treasurer



**Supplementary question for written response**

**Date question asked: 12 February 2025**

**Due LC: 10.00 am, 13 February 2025**

**The Honourable Mark Latham:**

My supplementary question for written answer is directed to the Treasurer. Will the Treasurer provide a written answer for the three serious matters on which he committed to report back to the House: that the Queanbeyan transfer is illegal, that there will be no new investment or management changes and that Racing NSW has an expectation of freehold title and to privatise these sites?

**ANSWER**

I am advised:

The Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure – Crown Lands advises that the appointment of Racing NSW as Crown land manager for Queanbeyan Racecourse complies with the requirements of the Crown Land Management Act 2016. The Department is not aware of any current proposal from Racing NSW to seek freehold title of the five country racecourses.

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**The Hon Daniel Mookhey MLC**  
Treasurer

**Supplementary Question for Written Answers - 12 February 2025**

*The Hon Minister Rose Jackson to Mr Wes Fang*

*Ministerial Car Use*

**The Hon. WES FANG (12:04:40):** My supplementary question for written answer is directed to the Minister for Mental Health. **Did the Minister use a ministerial driver to take her and her family to the airport while on gazetted leave in December 2023?**

**The Hon. Courtney Houssos:** Point of order: I seek the President's ruling on whether that is a supplementary question for written answer, given that it is restating a question that the member asked and that the Minister answered during question time. I understand that previous rulings have been made in relation to that. I seek clarification as to whether supplementary questions for written answers are subject to the same rules—

**The Hon. Wes Fang:** To the point of order—

**The Hon. Courtney Houssos:** I am not finished.

**The PRESIDENT:** Order! The Hon. Wes Fang will resume his seat.

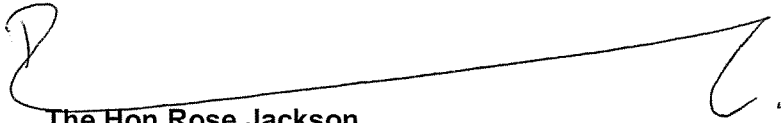
**The Hon. Courtney Houssos:** I seek the President's clarification as to whether supplementary questions for written answer are subject to the same rules as questions that are asked during question time. If they are, I make the submission that the question should be ruled out of order.

**The Hon. Wes Fang:** To the point of order: If the Hon. Courtney Houssos had been listening, she would have heard that I sought to ask for an elucidation in a supplementary question earlier. It was ruled out of order and it was suggested that I ask it as a new question, which I am doing now.

**The PRESIDENT:** I have heard the point of order and will consider it. I will reserve my ruling and let the Chamber know. I take both of the members' points. I do not remember the specific order of events, so I will go back and have a look.

**Written Answer:**

I refer the member to my answers given during Question Time on 12 February 2025.

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**The Hon Rose Jackson**

Minister for Housing, Minister for Homelessness

Minister for Mental Health, Minister for Water

Minister for Youth and Minister for the North Coast



## The Hon Penny Sharpe MLC

Minister for Climate Change, Minister for Energy,  
Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage,  
Leader of the Government in the Legislative Council



### LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

#### SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN ANSWER

#### NATIVE FOREST MANAGEMENT

#### QUESTION:

On 12 February 2025, Ms Sue Higginson MLC asked the Hon Penny Sharpe MLC, Minister for Climate Change, Minister for Energy, Minister for the Environment and Minister for Heritage, the following supplementary question for written answer:

*My supplementary question for written answer is directed to the Minister for Climate Change. Will the Minister provide any and all estimates and modelling for the value of carbon credits in the Great Koala National Park assessment area, as well as any and all estimates and modelling for the value of carbon credits in all or any part of the public native forest estate?*

#### ANSWER:

The NSW Government is exploring opportunities to generate carbon credits to support local communities, maintain employment, and promote effective land management.

On 12 July 2024, the NSW Government submitted an expression of interest (EOI) to the Australian Government for the development of an Improved Native Forest Management (INFM) method under the *Carbon Credits (Carbon Farming Initiative) Act 2011* (Cth).

On 30 October 2024, the Australian Government announced that the INFM EOI had been selected for method development. The INFM method was one of only four selected from a pool of 39 expressions of interest.

The NSW Government is currently working through a process under Commonwealth legislation that will include extensive consultation. This consultation provides the appropriate process for engagement on the technical details and benefits of the method.

The NSW Government will soon be publishing a plain English guide to the INFM method on the NSW Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water's website and welcomes public feedback on the document.

Estimates of the potential carbon benefits for the proposed Great Koala National Park are being carefully considered. However, due to the Cabinet process, they cannot be disclosed at this time.



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Minister for the Environment, Minister for Heritage

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