Estimates Committee 2009 Questions Taken On Notice

(16/6/2009 to 19/6/2009)

Date: 16/06/2009 Output: 1.0 LANDS

Sub Output: 1.3 Strategic Lands

Planning

Subject: Lands - Alice Springs - Lot 7411, Larapinta

From:Mr Adam Giles to Hon Delia Lawrie

Planning and Lands

2-15

Question:

There is a significant land shortage in Alice Springs, hindering in the town's growth. What is the government doing about releasing Lot 7411 in Larapinta, and I will also ask the same question about the area commonly known as south Sadadeen?

Ms LAWRIE: No, in terms of south Sadadeen, it is part of a broader body of work that the government is working on so I will take the Larapinta on notice.

Mr CHAIRMAN: All right. The Larapinta is on notice and that is question No 2.15 for Hansard.

Answer:

Answered On: 16/06/2009

Answer: The advice is that it contains a retardation dam and the Federal Court in its

determination native title in Alice Springs found that construction of public works extinguish native title. However, the Federal Court determined that native title had not been extinguished over all of lot 7411 but only over that area required for the purposed of the dam. Given the typography of that lot, the retardation dam and the drainage works government decided to instead to negotiate with the Lhere Artepe on the release of land at Sterling Heights and Albrecht Drive. We have then subsequently focused on the ILUA to turn off Mt Johns.