

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Ms J Carney to Minister for Natural Resources, the Environment and Heritage

Water and Weed Management, Funding

Minister in continuing with the bad news for Primary Industries in this budget water and weed management Budget been reduced by \$410 000:

1. Given that the Territory has serious problems with Gamba and Ngurra Burr, amongst other weeds and your government has stated many times that you are concerned about water management, why have you cut the budget in this area by \$410 000?

ANSWER

There has been no decrease in the 2005 - 06 budget for water management.

There has been a \$410 000 reduction in Natural Heritage Trust Commonwealth funding for natural resource management. The Northern Territory Government is not responsible for Commonwealth funding reductions.