Answer No. 260 - Parks and Wildlife

1. Details on progress of all CLP election commitments, including all commitments and policy announcements made to Territorians in CLP election policy documents, summary snapshots, media releases and announcements, costings and savings documents, media advertisements and other printed material.

Take a common sense approach to any new marine parks based on need and clear benefits.

- No new marine parks proposed.
- By-law amendments were made on 24 April 2013 to enable commercial and recreational fishing to continue in the newly declared Limmen Bight Marine Park lawfully.

Provide greater access to national parks and camping grounds.

- A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) has been signed with the NT 4WD Association that provides benefits to both parties in the Top End.
- A MoU was signed between the Commission and the NT Field and Game Association Inc (NTF&G) for the 2013/14 declared Waterfowl Hunting season. The MoU recognised the conservation works and support the NTF&G provides the Commission and traditional owners, and in return permitted camping privileges to NTF&G members on Howard Springs, Shoal Bay, Lambells Lagoon and Harrison Dam hunting reserves. Joint management partners of Lambells Lagoon and Harrison Dam are currently discussing options for a more permanent arrangement.
- The Parks and Wildlife Commission met with members of the newly formed high level working group on 15 May 2014. Members include representation from NT Firearms Council Inc; NT Field and Game Association; Department of Land Resource Management; Department of Lands Planning and the Environment; Northern Territory Cattlemen's Association; Conservation and Pest Management (NT) Branch; Sporting Shooters Association of Australia Inc (NT); Northern Land Council and the Parks and Wildlife Commission of the Northern Territory.

The purpose of the Working Group will be to:

- investigate new areas with the potential for hunting across different land tenures; investigate existing parks and reserves with the potential for opening select areas for hunting;
- identify lands with the potential for exclusive hunting opportunities; and
- investigate other methods for enabling recreational hunting across different land tenures.

Once all areas and opportunities have been identified, the Commission will prepare an options paper for Government consideration with options for the development of new areas for the purposes of hunting.

2. Explanations on all variations and discrepancies between CLP election commitments and the decisions and policies of Government since 1 July 2013.

Nil.

3. Progress on all commitments and policy announcements made within Government press releases and media statements made since 1 July 2013.

Nil.

4. Explanations on all variations and discrepancies between commitment and policy announcements made within government press releases and the actual implementation of Government policy and funding decisions.

Nil.

5. Progress on the implementation of all signed written contracts with Territory communities.

This question will be addressed by the Department of the Chief Minister.

6. Details on staff movements and all costs resulting from all Administrative Arrangements changes since 1 July 2013.

Nil.

7. Details on staff movements and payouts and all costs including ministerial office relocation costs resulting from portfolio reshuffles since 1 July 2013.

This question will be addressed by the Department of the Chief Minister.

8. Details and costs on all Government advertising and communications since 1 July 2013.

The Parks and Wildlife Commission of the NT has expended \$83 925 on advertising and communications from 1 July 2013 to 31 March 2014. The details are as follows:

Advertising	2013-14
Newspapers	24 318
Online	2 565
Radio	636
Other	457
Magazines	179

Television	4 447
Total	32 602
Marketing	2013-14
Displays	0
Events and Exhibitions	14 801
Marketing Materials	9 680
Printed Materials	415
Sponsorship	25 911
Media Monitoring	514
Other	0
Total	51 322
Grand Total	83 925

9. Full details on all government advertising in breach of the Public Information Act as identified by the Auditor General since 1 July 2013.

This question will be addressed by the Auditor General.

10. Full breakdown of all ministerial office expenditure since 1 July 2013.

This question will be addressed by the Department of the Chief Minister.

11. A full list of all forced redundancies across all agencies including an explanation for each redundancy on why it was necessary to breach the CLP's election commitment that no public servant would be sacked.

This question will be addressed by the Minister for Public Employment.

A full list of all personnel who have left the Northern Territory Public Sector and then returned since 1 July 2013 including payout and settlement details. This question will be addressed by the Office of the Commissioner for Public Employment.

13. Details on all Government tenders, contracts and grants awarded or granted since 1 July 2013 including whether the recipient is a member of the Country Liberal Party. This includes full location details for companies and organisations.

The details of 9 procurement tenders / contracts from 1 July 2013 to 31 March 2014 are detailed below:

Tier 4 \$200 000 up to \$1 000 000					
Description	Value Awarded	Invitation	Cof E	Reason	Period Contract
Darwin - Litchfield Park - Provision of Cleaning Services for a Period of 36 Months - Mandatory Site Inspection	\$579,600	Public	No	N/A	Yes (36 Mths)

Tier 3 \$50 000 up to \$200 000					
Description	Value Awarded	Invitation	Cof E	Reason	Period Contract
Darwin - Buffalo Creek - Provision of Caretaker Services for a Period of 10 Months	\$60,000	Selected	No	Select Quotation – PRB Approved 3/10/13	Yes (10 Mths)
Consultancy - Tourism and Recreation Masterplan	\$98,560	Public	No	N/A	No
Darwin - Wildlife Operations - Crocodile Trap Bait - Provision of Cut up Pig Carcasses for a Period of 36 Months	\$58,905	Est T2 requirement – 5 Companies invited to quote	No	N/A	Yes (36 Mths)
Tier 2 \$15 000 up to \$50 000					
Description	Value Awarded	Invitation	Cof E	Reason	Period Contract
Katherine - Supply and Delivery of Two Crocodile Traps	\$22,990	3 Quotations Sought	No	N/A	No
Darwin - Supply and Delivery of Outboard Motors	\$28,540	3 Quotations Sought	No	N/A	No
Darwin - Supply and Delivery of Quikspray Units	\$45,100	3 Quotations Sought	No	N/A	No

Katherine - Supply and Delivery of One Quikspray Unit	\$17,800	3 Quotations Sought	No	N/A	No
Darwin - Supply and Install 2 x 150HP Yamaha 4 Stroke Outboard Motors	\$42,683	Select	No	Less Than 3 Quotes Approval Sought	No

14 Details on the procurement processes undertaken and the employment contracts for the employment within the Northern Territory public sector since 1 July 2013 of all former CLP and Liberal party candidates and members of parliament at Territory or Federal level.

Employment of all public sector staff is undertaken based on the merit principle.

15. Full details and costs of all ministerial travel including accommodation, hospitality and flight details including flight travel class since 1 July 2013.

This question will be addressed by the Department of the Chief Minister.

16. Full details, costs and invitation lists for all ministerial hospitality since 1 July 2013.

This question will be addressed by the Department of the Chief Minister.

17. Full details, costs and invitation lists for all public service hospitality provided since 1 July 2013.

Hospitality expenses for Parks and Wildlife Commission of the NT from 1 July 2013 to 31 March 2014 were \$3 661.

18. Full details and costs of all interstate or international public service travel including accommodation, hospitality and flight details including flight travel class since1 July 2013.

	NTG Funded	NTG Funded	
Description	Interstate	Overseas	Total
Accommodation	4 447	2 043	6 490
Official Duty Fares	10 539	2 193	12 731
Travel Allowance	4 811	1 695	6 506
Grand Total	19 797	5 931	25 728

All Travel was by Economy class.

For details on Hospitality refer to Written Question 17

19. A breakdown of all water and other natural asset allocation granted by the Northern Territory Government since 26 August 2012 broken down by those granted to CLP members and others.

This question will be addressed by the Minister for Land Resource Management.

20. Details on all policy items, strategies, actual, estimates, budgets, forecasts, agency outputs and funding decisions contained within the May 2014 budget.

Details can be found in the 2014-15 Budget Paper No.3.

21. Details on all financial and economic data contained within Operating Statements, Balance Sheets, Cash Flow Statements in the May 2014 budget.

Details can be found in the 2014-15 Budget Paper No.3.

22. Full details including impact statements and implementation plans on all agency savings the May 2014 budget.

Agencies are considering how they will achieve targeted savings. Not all savings measures will necessarily have been finalised; nor would savings measures be likely to have an impact on employees. Where substantial change is proposed, agencies will follow procedures as required by the Enterprise Agreements.

23. Details on all information and data contained within the fiscal strategy, updated fiscal outlook, risks to the updated financial projections, expenses and capital investment, intergovernmental revenue and territory taxes and royalties.

This is a question for the Treasurer.

24. Full details on all information and data contained within the capital works program and estimated capital expenditure across all Government agencies and corporations.

Details can be found in the 2014-15 Budget Paper No.4

25. Full details of all revenue measures including new taxes and tax increases including levies and charges in Budget 2014. Details to include risk impact statements, community and industry consultation plans, economic modelling and revenue projections.

Not applicable.

26. Full details on the operational impacts across all Government entities as a result of all Government decisions and policies.

Refer to Questions 1 and 3.

27. Full details on the operational impacts across all Government entities as a result of the Government's savings measures.

Refer to Questions 1 and 3.

28. Details on the operational impacts across Non-Government agencies as a result of all Government funding, decisions and policies.

NGO's are external to the Budget. This question should be posted to relevant NGO's

29. Full details on the impacts across all Government entities as a result of all increases in Government and Government corporation charges, prices and tariffs since August 26 2012.

Any increases in Government and Government corporation charges, prices and tariffs will be managed from existing resources.

30. Full details on all information and data contained within the two most recent Reports on Government Services.

Reports are publicly available.

31. Full details on all information and data contained within all Annual Reports produced by all Government entities across the last two financial years.

Reports are publicly available.

32. Full details on all information and data contained within any report produced by a Statutory Authority of the Northern Territory Government within the last five years and full details on any and all actions of all Government entities in response to the report or related to the report.

Data requested too broad in scope and too expensive to collate.

33. Full details on all information and data contained within any report commissioned by the Northern Territory Government and produced within the last five years and full details on any and all actions of all Government entities in response to the report or related to the report.

Data requested too broad in scope and too expensive to collate.

34. Full details on all information, data and forecasts contained within reports produced in the last two years in relation to the Northern Territory from Deloitte Access Economics, CommSec, Sensis, Australian Property Monitors, Housing Industry Association, Property Council, Master Builders Association and ANZ including the response from Government entities to these reports.

Data requested too broad in scope and too expensive to collate.

35. Full details and all information and data produced by the Australian Bureau of Statistics in relation to the Northern Territory in the last two years, including the response of Government entities to these reports.

Data requested too broad in scope and too expensive to collate.

36. Details on all reports and data published on Northern Territory Government websites.

Data requested too broad in scope and too expensive to collate.

37. What is the total annual power bill of each government building owned/leased/used by each department?

This is a question for the Minister for Corporate and Information Services.

38. What is the detailed breakdown of Corporate and Governance output of each department?

Refer to 2014-15 Budget Paper No. 3

39. What is the total itemised cost to date for each Minister on overseas travel in 2013/14? What was the itinerary for each overseas trip undertaken by Ministers in 2013/14?

This is a question for the Chief Minister.

40. For each overseas trip:

- a. What was the purpose of the travel?
- b. How many advisers accompanied the Minister?
- c. How many Members of the Legislative Assembly accompanied the Minister?
- d. How many public sector employees or statutory officers accompanied the Minister?
- e. How many independent media representatives accompanied the Minister?
- f. How many private citizens accompanied the Minister?

This is a question for the Chief Minister.

41. What is the total itemised cost to date for each Government Agency or Authority on overseas travel in 2013/14?

Refer to question 18.

- 42. For each overseas trip:
 - a. What was the purpose of the travel?
 - b. How many public sector employees or statutory officers travelled overseas?
 - c. How many Members of the Legislative Assembly travelled with the Agency/Authority?
 - d. What was the itinerary for the travel?

Refer to question 18.

- 43. Were any external consultants or advisers contracted by Ministers in 2013/14? If so, for each Minister:
 - a. How many external advisers or consultants were contracted?
 - b. Which consultants were contracted?
 - c. What was the cost of each consultancy?
 - d. What was the purpose of each consultancy?
 - e. Were tenders or expressions of interest invited?
 - f. If not, why not?

Refer to question 13.

- 44. Were any external consultants or advisers contracted by Government Agencies or Authorities in 2013/14? If so,
 - a. How many external advisers or consultants were contracted?
 - b. Which consultants were contracted?
 - c. What was the cost of each consultancy?
 - d. What was the purpose of each consultancy?
 - e. Were tenders or expressions of interest invited?
 - f. If not, why not?

Refer to question 13.

45. What is the total itemised cost to date for each Minister on official hospitality in 2013/14?

This is a question for the Chief Minister.

- 46. In relation to each occasion on which official hospitality was undertaken:
 - a. What was the purpose of the hospitality?
 - b. How many guests attended?
 - c. How many Ministers attended?
 - d. What was the total cost incurred?

This is a question for the Chief Minister.

46. What is the total itemised cost to date for each Government Agency or Authority on official hospitality in 2013/14?

Refer to question 17.

- 47. In relation to each occasion on which official hospitality was undertaken:
 - a. What was the purpose of the hospitality?
 - b. How many guests attended?
 - c. How many Ministers attended?
 - d. How many public sector employees attended?
 - e. What was the total cost incurred?

Refer to question 17.

- 48. Were any gifts received by Ministers in 2013/14? If so, for each Minister:
 - a. What gifts were received?
 - b. What is the estimated value of each gift received?

This is a question for the Chief Minister.

49. What is the total itemised cost to date for each Minister on advertising in 2013/14?

This is a question for the Chief Minister.

- 50. For each advertisement:
 - a. What was the purpose / description of the advertisement?
 - b. Who was the advertisement placed with?
 - c. What was the production cost?
 - d. What was the design cost?
 - e. Were tenders or expressions of interest called? If not, why not?

This is a question for the Chief Minister.

51. What is the total itemised cost to date for each Government Agency or Authority on advertising in 2013/14?

Refer to question 8.

- 52. For each advertisement:
 - a. What was the purpose / description of the advertisement?
 - b. Who was the advertisement placed with?
 - c. What was the production cost?
 - d. What was the design cost?

Refer to question 8.

- 53. Has any Minister or Ministerial Adviser engaged in formal or informal communications with L and B MacFarlane (or their representatives) concerning any matter in relation to a water extraction license? If so:
 - a. Which Ministers and Ministerial Advisers have engaged in the communications?
 - b. What was the substance of the communications?
 - c. When did the communications take place?

This question should be referred to the Chief Minister.

- 54. Has any Minister or Ministerial Adviser engaged in formal or informal communications with Peter Maley (or his representatives) concerning any matter in relation to a water extraction license? If so:
 - a. Which Ministers and Ministerial Advisers have engaged in the communications?
 - b. What was the substance of the communications?
 - c. When did the communications take place?

This question should be referred to the Chief Minister.

55. What are the details by project of revoted capital works in all Department and Government Authorities?

Refer to question 24.

56. By classification and level, how many permanent employees are currently employed in Government Agencies and Statutory Authorities?

Permanent employees at Pay 20 2014 for the Parks and Wildlife Commission of the Northern Territory are as follows:

Stream	Paid	Total Staff	Total Staff
Stream	Classification	(Headcount)	(FTE)
	AO1	1	1.0
	AO2	3	3.0
	AO3	2	1.0
	AO4	8	7.8
Administrative	AO5	5	3.8
	AO6	4	4.0
	AO7	4	3.5
	SAO1	7	6.9
	SAO2	5	4.0
Physical	PH2	1	1.0
Physical	PH3	1	1.0
	P1	24	17.5
Professional	P2	13	11.0
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	SP1	2	2.0
	T1	27	24.8
	T2	35	31.1
Technical	Т3	26	22.8
	T4	12	12.0
	T5	3	3.0
Total		184	161.7

57. By classification and level, how many temporary employees are currently employed in Government Agencies and Statutory Authorities?

Temporary employees at Pay 20 2014 for the Parks and Wildlife Commission of the Northern Territory are as follows:

Stream	Paid Classification	Total Staff (Headcount)	Total Staff (FTE)
Administrative	AO3	1	1.0
Executive	EO1C	2	2.0
Executive	EO3C	1	1.0
Physical	PH2	2	1.1
Tashnisal	T1	17	10.1
Technical	Т3	4	4.0
Trainee	TNCR	4	3.5
Total		31	22.7

*Temporary employees includes casuals (7 Headcount, 2.7 FTE)

58. How many NT Government Statutory Boards are there in the Northern Territory?

This is a question for the Chief Minister (central database maintained by the Cabinet Officer).

59. For each Statutory Board:

- a. Who are the current members and when were they appointed?
- b. What was the total remuneration paid to Board members in 2013/14?
- c. What was the itemised total cost incurred by the Board in 2013/14?
- d. How many times did the Board meet in 2013/14?

Name	Members	Appointment Dates	No. of Meetings	Total Remunerati on	Total Expenditure *
OLIVE PINK BOTANIC GARDENS BOARD OF TRUSTEES	Susan Dugdal Elizabeth Prell Geoffrey Kenna Steven Morton James Cocking Helen Kilgariff	Perpetual Perpetual Perpetual Perpetual Perpetual Perpetual	8	\$0	\$0
BARRANYI (NORTH ISLAND) NATIONAL PARK LOCAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	Ross Friday Graham Friday Kathleen Jupiter Roxanne Jupiter Stephanie Jupiter Robert Arthur Eddie Webber Stewart Woerle	5/9/2011 5/9/2011 5/9/2013 5/9/2011 5/9/2013 09/10/2013 09/10/2012 09/10/2012	3	\$2750	\$3094
DJUKBINJ NATIONAL PARK LOCAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	Vacant		0	\$0	\$0
Name	Members	Appointment Dates	No. of Meetings	Total Remunerati on	Total Expenditure *
COBOURG PENINSULA SANCTUARY & MARINE PARK BOARD	Robert Cunningham Nigel Weston Paul Josif Neva McCartney Ronald Lami Lami Mathius Baird Solomon Cooper	25/03/2014 25/03/2014 20/12/2011 25/03/2014 25/03/2014 31/01/2013 25/03/2014	2	\$6444	\$27121
NITMILUK (KATHERINE GORGE) NATIONAL PARK BOARD	Jane Runyu- Fordimail Anne Shpherd Mark Crummy John de Koning Joshua Hunter George Runyu	20/06/2012 31/01/2012 19/02/2013 28/08/2013 20/09/2012 20/06/2012	7 (Includes Jatbula trail steering committee)	\$12126	\$14109
TNORALA LOCAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	Chris Day Maxine Malbunka Lynette Malbunka Bevan Malbunka Gary Weir	22/10/2012 22/10/2012 22/10/2012 22/10/2012 22/10/2012	0	\$0	\$0
KEEP RIVER NATIONAL PARK LOCAL MANAGEMENT	Vacant		0	\$0	\$0

COMMITTEE				
PARKS AND	Vacant	0	\$0	\$0
WILDLIFE				
COMMISSION				

*Total inclusive of sitting Fees, transport, travelling allowance and other expenses.

60. What was the total expenditure on grants to non-Government organisations in 2013/14?

Refer to question 13.

61. What is the total estimated allocation for grants to non-Government organisations in 2014/15?

Details can be found in the 2014-15 Budget Paper No.3.

62. Would you provide whole of Government tables showing:

a. The amount granted to each non-Government organisation in 2013/14?

Refer to question 13.

b. The estimated grant to each non-Government organisation in 2014/15?

Not yet allocated

63. Please list all reviews currently being undertaken by the agency, estimated date of release of report and costs incurred to date.

Name of Review	Estimated date of release	Costs
Conservation and Management of the Saltwater Crocodile in the Northern Territory of Australia: A Review with Recommendations	Complete	\$150 000*

*Total \$150,000 was paid in previous financial years, only \$7,500 was paid during the period 1 July 2013-31 March 2014.

64. For each Government Agency and Authority how many Certificates of Exemption were issued in 2013/14?

No Certificates of Exemption have been issued for the Parks and Wildlife Commission.

65. For each Certificate of Exemption:

- a. What is the description of the goods and services contracted?
 - b. What is the value of the goods and services contracted?
 - c. Why was the Certificate of Exemption required?

- d. Who recommended the Certificate of Exemption?
- e. Who approved the Certificate of exemption?

No Certificates of Exemption have been issues for the Parks and Wildlife Commission.

- 66. To each Minister Re: Fundraising:
 - a. Have you held any CLP fundraising events in your Ministerial office suite?
 - b. If so, how many times has your official office been used for fundraising activities in the past year?
 - c. What dates did you hold these fundraisers?
 - d. Did you pay the Parliament for the use of the offices in this way?
 - e. Did the CLP pay for the alcohol or did the taxpayer?

Nil.

- 67. To each Minister in regards to Travel:
 - a. How many trips overseas have you taken in the past 12 months?
 - b. How many staff accompanied you?
 - c. Who accompanied you?
 - d. How much was the travelling allowance?
 - e. What class of air travel did you take?
 - f. Did you use your Ministerial phone while overseas?
 - g. What was the total cost of phone calls from overseas?
 - h. Did your staff use their Government issued phones?
 - i. What was the total cost of their phone calls from overseas?
 - j. Did your spouse accompany you on any trips?
 - k. Did your children accompany you on any trips?

This question should be referred to the Chief Minister.

- 68. To each Minister in regards Cars:
 - a. How much did you spend on your taxpayer funded petrol card last financial year?
 - b. How much was your lease?
 - c. Was any damage incurred to your car in the last financial year?
 - d. If so what was the cost?
 - e. Was the accident reported to police?
 - f. Did police attend?
 - g. Who was in the wrong?
 - h. Were any charges laid?

This question should be referred to the Chief Minister.

- 69. To each Minister regarding Credit Cards:
 - a. Do you have a Ministerial credit card?
 - b. How much has been spent on the credit card in the past 12 months?
 - c. What do you use it for?
 - d. How much has been spent on entertainment?

This question should be referred to the Chief Minister.

- 70. To each Minister regarding Alcohol:
 - a. How much has your office spent on alcohol in the past 12 months?
 - b. What type of alcohol is purchased?
 - c. Are spirits purchased?
 - d. Is the alcohol used for official functions or for personal use?
 - e. Who is entitled to access the office alcohol?

This question should be referred to the Chief Minister.

71. For each agency please provide an itemised breakdown for spending associated with promoting the budget for the 2012 mini budget, the 2013 budget and the 2014 budget.

This question should be referred to the Treasurer.

72. For each agency please provide a breakdown of public service staffing levels by FTE, total numbers and by employment level for 13/14 and projected for 14/15.

Refer to questions 56 and 57 for 2013-14. Detail for 2014-15 is not known, but not expected to be substantially different to 2013-14.