

ESTIMATES COMMITTEE
Answer to Question Taken on Notice

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To: Hon. Ken Vowles

Portfolio: Primary Industry & Resources

Agency: Primary Industry & Resources

Subject: Wagait Land Trust

Question

Who was involved in discussions in relation to the Wagait Land Trust?

Answer

The Department liaised with the Twin Hills Aboriginal Corporation at their request. The Twin Hills Aboriginal Corporation then communicated this information to the Traditional Owners.

Livestock Industries Development (LID) and Plant Industries Development (PID) staff along with Indigenous Pastoral Program (IPP) attended Twin Hills Station in 2016 to conduct a carrying capacity assessment. This visit was also used as a training exercise for members of the Twin Hills Aboriginal Corporation. Topics covered included plant species ID, yield estimates, calculating carrying capacity, identifying land types and productivity within paddocks and how distance from water affects carrying capacity. From this trip a Preliminary Carrying Capacity report was completed with expectations for further work to help keep figures updated and relevant.

LID continue to provide information to the Twin Hills Aboriginal Corporation in regards to land condition and carrying capacity as requested.

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