

Estimates Committee 2013
Questions Taken On Notice

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Date: 20/06/2013

Output:

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Subject: Marine Rangers

From: Mr Kon Vatskalis to Hon Willem Westra van Holthe
Department of Primary Industry and Fisheries

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Question: Please provide a breakdown of the funding for Marine Rangers.

Answer:

Answered On: 08/07/2013



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QUESTION ON NOTICE

FROM: Kon Vatskalis MLA, Member for Casuarina
TO: Minister for Primary Industry and Fisheries

Tel.:

Can you please provide a breakdown of the \$0.68 million provided to support the Marine Ranger Program?

ANSWER

[Output Group and Output to which the Question refers]:

The Indigenous Community Marine Ranger Program (ICMRP) is allocated \$0.68 million by the Territory government in the 2013/14 budget. This allocation includes \$480,000 in grant funding which is used to assist nine marine ranger groups with their operations and fisheries surveillance patrols. The remaining \$200,000 is used to administer the program through the employment of an Administrative Officer and operational expenditure to provide ranger groups with training and support.

In addition, the Government is committing a further \$480,000 in 13/14 to expand the ICMRP as part of the Blue Mud Bay settlement packages. The grant funding will be used to set up facilities, purchase equipment and employ rangers.

The Department of Primary Industry and Fisheries also provides significant support for the ICMRP by facilitating certificate level training in Fisheries Compliance, developing a science mentoring program to build the technical skills of the rangers and including rangers in scientific research proposals that involve research on their country.