Estimates Committee 2012 Questions Taken On Notice

(12/06/2012 to 21/06/2012)

Date: 19/06/2012 Output:

Sub Output:

Subject: Tabletop walking route

From:Mr Gerry Wood to Mr Karl Hampton

Parks and Wildlife

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Question: Minister, can you tell us why Litchfield National Park is not available for

walking on the Tabletop walking route?

Answer:

Answered On: 19/06/2012

Answer 7.4, 7.5, 7.6

ESTIMATES COMMITTEEQuestion Taken on Notice

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19 June 2012

Output: Protected Areas and

Conservation

Sub Output: Parks Visitor Management Programs

Subject:

Litchfield walking track

From:

Minister Hampton

To:

Member for Nelson

Department:

Natural Resources, Environment, the Arts and Sport

Number:

7.04

Question:

Why Litchfield is not available for walking on the Table Top Walk

during the wet season.

Answer:

Unlike Jatbula Trail, there are limited water bodies to provide relief in very hot and humid conditions. Therefore, during the months of October and November, the incidences of emergencies and subsequent responses for assistance increase and the walk is closed for visitor safety reasons. However, the park still provides access to the walk during this time through a permit system. This allows the park to monitor visitor safety and assess the walking experience of the walkers in extremely trying conditions. When the wet season sets in, the creeks flowing in the area are too dangerous to walk through and the walk is closed for visitor safety.

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