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Subject : FW: ESR Alert - Review panel members identified for Adani's Black-throated Finch Management Plan (BTFMP)

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Dear All,

FYI.

Cheers



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Subject: ESR Alert - Review panel members identified for Adani's Black-throated Finch Management Plan (BTFMP)

ALERT CATEGORY:

- Customer / Stakeholder activity.

CUSTOMER DETAILS:

- Adani Mining Pty Ltd 4 Carmichael Coal Mine.
- Level 25, 10 Eagle Street, Brisbane QLD 4000.
- Environmental Authority (EA) EPML01470513.
- Professor Brendan Wintle 4 Professor in Conservation Ecology, University of Melbourne.

SUMMARY OF ISSUE/S:

- On 29 January 2019, Professor Wintle (review panel chair) provided the department with details for the panel members (see attached).
- Professor Wintle also advised he is likely to release the names of the panel today.
- Adani have made several public statements regarding the review of the BTFMP.
- Recent media has questioned the department's selection of Professor Wintle to lead the panel review.
- The review is expected to be completed mid-February.

POTENTIAL IMPACTS / RISKS:

- The media attention may continue until the review been completed.
- Ongoing Adani representations to departmental senior executives and other senior Queensland Government officials regarding the review are likely.

CUSTOMER ACTIONS:

- On 21 and 22 January 2019, Adani Mining Pty Ltd sent two letters to the department concerning the independent review of the

DEPARTMENT ACTIONS:
[HISTORICAL ACTIONS]

- In December 2018, the department engaged Professor Wintle to lead an expert panel to undertake an independent scientific review lead of the BTFMP. The department also advised Adani that an independent scientific expert panel review would occur prior to department's decision being made on whether to approve the BTFMP.
- On 16 and 18 January 2019, the department incorrectly advised Adani in a meeting and via email, respectively, that the Threatened Species Recovery Hub (TSRH) of the National Environmental Science Program (NESP) was undertaking the review, rather than Professor Wintle.
- Between 21 and 25 January 2019, the department corrected its advice to Adani, and issued a media statement with the corrected details.
- On 25 January 2019, the department provided a response letter to Adani's 21 and 22 January 2019 letters.

[PLANNED ACTIONS]

- The department will provide Adani a draft of the review report to allow for right of reply.
- The department will make a decision whether to approve or not approve the current version of the BTFMP with consideration of the review report and Adani's response.
- There is no date by when the decision whether to approve or not approve the current version of the BTFMP is required.
- The BTFMP must be approved, together the Groundwater Dependent Ecosystem Management Plan (GDEMP), prior to the commencement of Stage 2 activities (significant disturbance) at Carmichael Coal mine.

LOCALITY DETAILS AND PHOTOGRAPHS:

- The Carmichael Coal Mine is located approximately 160km north-west of the town of Clermont. The project is predominantly within the Local Government Area of Isaac Regional Council.

KEY COMMUNICATION MESSAGES:

- The Department of Environment and Science will ensure that a robust scientific assessment of the Black-throated Finch Management Plan is undertaken prior to approval.
- An independent scientific review by an expert panel will ensure that the Black-throated Finch Management Plan is consistent with the very best threatened species and conservation science, and is beyond reproach in terms of its objectivity.

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This email is an initial alert in respect of this matter.

If further advice or action is required, it will be communicated via normal channels such as a briefing note.

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The BTFMP review panel members

Brendan Wintle (Panel Chair) is Professor of Conservation Ecology at the University of Melbourne and Director of the Threatened Species Recovery Hub of the Australian Government's National Environmental Science Program. He has 20 years of experience in environment policy and research with a specific focus on biodiversity. He has provided environmental policy, planning and management advice to all levels of government, industry groups and the United Nations Intergovernmental Platform for Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES) and the Convention for Biological Diversity (CBD).

John Woinarski is Professor of Conservation Biology at Charles Darwin University. He is a leading Australian ornithologist and ecologist, with more than 40 years of experience, mostly in northern Australia. His research has included studies on the ecology and management of finches, the impacts of different land-uses on biodiversity in central Queensland, and on how biodiversity responds to pastoral management, fire and mining. He has written recovery and management plans for many threatened species. He has been employed by government agencies and research groups, and acted as a consultant to environmental organisations and mining companies.

Stephen Garnett is Professor of Conservation and Sustainable Livelihoods at Charles Darwin University. He has more than 30 years of experience in threatened species conservation and research, mostly in tropical Australia, including specialised studies of threatened seed-eating birds in north Queensland. He is the author of the Action Plan for Australian Birds. For over 15 years he has coordinated BirdLife Australia's Threatened Species Committee which advises the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) on the conservation status of Australian birds. In 2014, he was appointed as Councillor for birds with the Convention on Migratory Species. His research also includes social and economic factors affecting conservation outcomes.

Sarah Legge is Professor Wildlife Conservation at the Australian National University and Principal Research Fellow at the University of Queensland. She is a wildlife ecologist with a focus on threatened species conservation. Sarah has worked for non-government organisations delivering on-ground conservation management, as a private consultant to mining, government, Indigenous organisations and NRM groups, and as a university research scientist. She led a large research program on the ecology and conservation of several species of finch in northern Australia, including how they are affected by different fire and grazing management strategies.

Don Franklin is a wildlife ecologist based in Northern Australia. He has studied and published a range of research about the ecology, biology and history of finches and other grain eating birds in tropical Australia. He has worked for government agencies providing technical expertise on conservation planning and management. He has also worked as a research ecologist for Charles Darwin University. He is now a semi-retired private consultant.

David Lindenmayer is Professor of Ecology and Conservation Biology at the Australian National University. He has more than 35 years of experience in ecology and conservation science and has written more than 1170 scientific articles and 45 books. He currently runs 5 large-scale, long-term research programs throughout eastern Australia and these are focused on how to most cost-effectively and ecologically effectively conserve biodiversity in wood production forests, plantations on farmland as well as in reserves and national parks. Professor Lindenmayer is a member of the Australian Academy of Science and received an Order of Australia (AO) for contributions to science in 2014. He has worked extensively on Australian birds.

Date : 27/02/2019 10:43:48 AM

From : "COLLINS Jodie"

To : "HANSARD EHP" , "Hansard NPSR" , "AQESU" , "DLO DES" , "HERRING Kirsten (Arts)"

Cc : "CLLO DES" , "TONES Peter"

Subject : HANSARD EXTRACT – Tuesday, 26 February 2019

Good morning,

There were discussions in the Parliament Sitting of **Tuesday, 26 February 2019** which may be of interest to your Business Unit. These appear in Hansard.

The Official **Record of Proceedings (Hansard)** and the latest **Daily Agenda (Notice Paper)** which outlines the Order/s of the Day, Parliamentary Committees and Questions on Notice can be accessed on the Queensland Parliament website:

<http://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/en/work-of-assembly/sitting-dates/latest-sitting-dates>

Topics are summarised below:

PLEASE NOTE: While the Cabinet and Parliamentary Services endeavours to identify and highlight all items or issues relevant to the Department of Environment and Science, it is suggested that a suitable officer review the official record of proceedings on behalf your business unit, to ensure that all pertinent information has been captured and is actioned as necessary (for example, suitable action may include but is not limited to the development of possible PPOs, bringing a matter to the DDG's/DG's attention).

ASSENT TO BILL

Mr SPEAKER ♦ Waste Reduction and Recycling (Waste Levy) and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2019

Date of Assent: 21 February 2019 ([Page 311](#))

SPEAKER'S RULING

Mr SPEAKER ♦ Irregularities in Petition ♦ E-Petition No. 3003-18 Trial of conservation hunting in Queensland State forests ([Page 311](#))

PETITIONS

3003-18 ♦ Recreational Hunting - propose a 3-year trial in Queensland's State forests and establish a restricted game license scheme similar to NSW ([Page 312](#))

3061-18 ♦ Recreational Hunting ♦ reject all requests to open up State forests to recreational shooters and to maintain and toughen up gun laws ([Page 312](#))

TABLED PAPERS

PAPERS TABLED DURING THE RECESS (SO 31)

15 February 2019 ♦

198 Innovation, Tourism Development and Environment Committee: Report No. 12, 56th Parliament, February 2019 ♦ Examination of Auditor-General Report No. 16 of 2017-18: Follow-up of managing water quality in Great Barrier Reef Catchments ([Page 312](#))

199 Innovation, Tourism Development and Environment Committee: Report No. 13, 56th Parliament ♦ Subordinate legislation tabled between 19 September 2018 and 30 October 2018 ([Page 313](#))

MINISTERIAL STATEMENTS

Hon. A PALASZCZUK ♦ Floods, Recovery Assistance ([Page 315](#))

Hon. CR DICK - Floods, Queensland Reconstruction Authority ([Pages 317 to 318](#))

Hon. MC Bailey - Floods, Transport Infrastructure ([Pages 318 to 319](#))

Hon. CJ O'DOURKE - Floods, Recovery Assistance ([Pages 320 to 321](#))

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Adani Carmichael Mine ([Pages 323 to 324](#))

Mrs FRECKLINGTON: My first question is to the Premier. Labor's MP Cathy O'Toole says that the south-east-centric Palaszczuk government must stop ♦ shifting the goalposts ♦ on the Adani Carmichael mine. Is the reason 3,400 jobs have been lost in Townsville since the election because the Premier has sold out jobs in North Queensland, according to Cathy O'Toole?

Thermal Coal ([Page 324](#))

Mrs FRECKLINGTON: My second question is also to the Premier. I refer to the Premier's charter letter to the Deputy Premier dated 17 February 2018 which tasked the Deputy Premier with commissioning a study into long-term global demand for thermal coal. What advice has the Premier received from the Deputy Premier in the past 12 months about global demand for Queensland's thermal coal?

Townsville, Flood Recovery ([Page 325](#))

Mr HARPER: My question without notice is to the Premier. Will the Premier please update the House on the recovery efforts in Townsville following the unprecedented flooding disaster, particularly responding to local concerns raised with me about housing availability and increased costs?

Thermal Coal ([Pages 325 to 326](#))

Mr MANDER: My question without notice is to the Deputy Premier. The Deputy Premier's ministerial charter letter instructs the Deputy Premier to study the long-term global demand for Queensland's thermal coal. Did the Deputy Premier find that sufficient demand exists to support opening up new thermal coalmines in the Galilee Basin?

Climate Change (Page 326)

Ms PUGH: My question without notice is of the Premier. Can the Premier please update the House on her government's policies for tackling the impacts of climate change? Is she aware of any alternative policies?

Floods, Recovery Assistance (Pages 327 to 328)

Mr STEWART: My question is of the Deputy Premier. Will the Deputy Premier please update the House on the likely cost of disaster recovery efforts following the devastating flooding in Townsville and north-west Queensland and any initiatives to assist with the economic recovery of the region?

Palaszczuk Labor Government, Performance (Page 328)

Ms LEAHY: My question is to the Premier. Rockhampton mayor Margaret Strelow said this about the Carmichael mine approval process: 'The Palaszczuk government could have helped bring clarity and integrity to the process. They have failed.' How does the Premier respond to this damning criticism of her government from the Premier's hand-picked candidate for the seat of Rockhampton?

Resources Industry (Pages 329 to 330)

Mr POWELL: My question without notice is to the Premier. The Premier's hand-picked candidate for the seat of Rockhampton, Margaret Strelow, has said that the Adani issue is now a matter of trust and the Palaszczuk government is changing the rules for the people of regional Queensland. Given that 3,400 Townsville jobs have been lost since the election of the Palaszczuk government, why has the Premier risked more jobs and the trust of regional jobseekers by changing the rules for resource industry projects?

Department of Environment and Science, Adani Carmichael Mine (Page 331)

Mr MILLAR: My question without notice is to the Premier. It has been reported that the Department of Environment and Science has engaged anti-Adani campaigner Tim Seelig in addition to former Greens party candidates Kirsten Lovejoy and Gary Kane to provide advice to the department. The same department is tasked with approving the Adani Carmichael mine. How does the Premier have confidence in an impartial decision on an important job-creating project by the department when some staff have political agendas?

Renewable Energy (Pages 333 to 334)

Mr PEGG: My question is to the Minister for Natural Resources, Mines and Energy. Will the minister update the House on the growth in Queensland's renewables sector under the Palaszczuk government and is he aware of any alternative policies?

Adani Carmichael Mine, Black-Throated Finch (Page 334)

Mr CRISAFULLI: My question is to the Minister for Environment. Queensland's Resources Investment Commissioner has publicly labelled the Palaszczuk government's approval process for the Adani Carmichael mine 'an absolute mess'. Can the minister tell the House when the decision on the black-throated finch management plan will be made?

MOTION

Hon. YM D'ATH - Business Program - Timing for Consideration of Bills (Pages 335 to 338)

Mr BLEIJIE (Kawana LNP) (11.23 am): The fact is that the business motion that we are debating today has not worked for the House. It has not worked for democracy in the state of Queensland. As I always say, the Leader of the House gets up and talks about the niceties of the business committee meeting. She says if we work together and cut our speeches short we can all speak in the House. That might be okay for the Labor Party where they can get up and speak for 30 seconds.

♦♦♦.

I have here an A5 page of Liberal National Party speakers who did not get a chance to speak on the **waste reduction bill** at the last sitting. They were on the speaking list. Every week I will table the speaking lists to show that members who are on the list are not afforded the opportunity to speak. I table this document.

Tabled paper: Document, undated, annotated speaking list for Waste Reduction Bill second reading debate. ♦♦♦. *extract only* (Pages 335 to 336)

BILLS

HUMAN RIGHTS BILL - Second Reading (Pages 376 to 391)

Hon. LM ENOCH (Algeria ALP) (Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef, Minister for Science and Minister for the Arts) rise in support of the Human Rights Bill 2018. I am the daughter of a Quandamooka man who, until the year before I was born, was not even counted as a human being in this country. I am the granddaughter of a Quandamooka man and a Kanjuu woman who were never counted as human beings; they were counted as animals in this country. My grandfather, a Quandamooka man, never had the right to vote in his whole life. He died before he was able to vote. Right here and now, two generations later, his granddaughter is a member of this parliament. ♦♦♦. *extract only* (Pages 390 to 391)

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE (QoNs)

The following questions were asked Tuesday, 26 February 2019. In accordance with the Standing Orders, answers are required by Thursday, 28 March 2019.

Minister Enoch QoNs

155 MR D CRISAFULLI ASKED MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE GREAT BARRIER REEF, MINISTER FOR SCIENCE AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (HON L ENOCH) ♦

With reference to the redevelopment of the Thomas Dixon Centre

Will the Minister advise (a) when the redevelopment is scheduled to commence, (b) when the redevelopment is anticipated to be completed and (c) the planned timing to allocate the full funding commitment of \$14m?

182 MS S BOLTON ASKED MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT AND THE GREAT BARRIER REEF, MINISTER FOR SCIENCE AND MINISTER FOR THE ARTS (HON L ENOCH)

Will the Minister advise when there will be another round of the Container Refund Scheme Small Scale Infrastructure Grants program for community groups and not-for-profits to speed up the provision of essential depots and drop off points?

Deputy Premier and Treasurer QoN

168 MR T MANDER ASKED DEPUTY PREMIER, TREASURER AND MINISTER FOR ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PARTNERSHIPS (HON J TRAD)

With reference to the delayed commencement of the waste levy

Will the Treasurer provide the adjusted revenue estimates for each financial year from 2019-20 into the forward estimates (reported separated by financial year)?

NOTE: Cabinet and Parliamentary Services has allocated requests for draft responses via MECS. Please ensure the QoN templates are strictly adhered to.

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Questions on Notice and their respective answers can be accessed by clicking on the hyperlink <http://www.parliament.qld.gov.au/work-of-assembly/question-on-notice/online-question-on-notice>.

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Dear Gary,

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<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2019-02-19/adani-law-firm-put-forward-trained-attack-dog-strategy/10821470>



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Interesting

<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2019-02-19/adani-law-firm-put-forward-trained-attack-dog-strategy/10821470>



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