

## **Legislative Assembly - Public Accounts Committee**

Questions taken on notice re Government Property Register  
Des Mooney, Land and Property Information, 2 December 2011

**Q1. In relation to the property and leases of State Owned Corporations being recorded in the Government Property Record by the middle of 2012, can you provide the Committee with advice as to the specific date this project will be completed?**

### **LPI response:**

Prior to 2010 the Government Property Register (GPR) held property details for five State Owned Corporations (SOCS). The property portfolios for the remaining thirteen SOCS were added to the GPR in 2011, including information for approximately 7,000 additional properties.

Prior to 2007, the GPR did not automatically capture the registration of leases from ITS and lease information was not back-captured when the process was automated in 2007. The GPR reconciliation team is currently reconciling all leases to and from any government agency in ITS with the GPR and adding any missing information. This process is expected to be completed by May 2012.

**Q2. Regarding State Forests (Department of Primary Industries); can you provide the Committee with a specific timeframe for the completion of this project? And in addition, provide advice on the expected progress of the project up to June 2012.**

### **LPI response:**

The project to convert parcels of land comprised in State Forests and National Parks to Torrens title is scheduled to commence in January 2013 and is targeted for completion by December 2014. The timeframe is contingent on enabling legislation being passed in Parliament. This is currently with Parliamentary Counsel for preparation of the draft Bill.

Preparation for the commencement of the project including development of ICT requirements and collaborative work with both State Forest and National Parks will be ongoing during 2012.

It should be noted that the scope of the project only includes those State Forest and National Park parcels of land that are depicted in a registered plan, enabling the allocation of unique lot/plan identifiers for title issue. It is estimated there are 4,000 State Forest and 10,000 National Park parcels within scope.

**Out of scope** of this project are those State Forest and National Park parcels that are unidentified ie parcels that do not have a registered plan to identify them. It is estimated there are 6,500 unidentified State Forest parcels and 9,000 National Park parcels. Options for converting these parcels will be considered toward the conclusion of the initial project.

**Q3. Provide the Committee with a timetable of all other activity to be undertaken over the course of the next six to eight months, including actions to be achieved and the date these actions will be completed.**

**LPI response:**

Activity/Action	Completion date
<b>GPR System Robustness</b> - There are 33 identified issues with system robustness that are being resolved.	July 2012
<b>GPR Data Integrity</b> - There are 22 issues identified that are affecting the capture and maintenance of data within the GPR.	July 2012
<b>Reconciliation of GPR properties against the Digitised Cadastral Data Base</b> - The GPR comprises two applications, the register that holds the textual attributes of properties and a spatial viewer that links the textual data to the NSW cadastre (lot boundaries) and land imagery. A mismatch of 76,000 properties that appear in the GPR but do not have a corresponding spatial identity has been identified. The mismatch is, in part, caused by the DCDB showing rail and road corridors as single entities whereas the GPR holds the individual properties that collectively form these corridors. The remaining properties require investigation.	December 2012
<b>Lease "Back Capture"</b> – The automated capture of registered Lease detail from ITS was introduced in 2007, however, no back capture of lease information was undertaken at the time. Back capture of lease information has now commenced. Post 2007 lease information is also being reviewed to ensure the capture of all registered leases in the GPR.	May 2012
<b>Annual Reconciliation</b> – The 2011 reconciliation is in progress. This year LPI is concentrating on major agencies with over 100 properties in their portfolio, representing over 99% of the register, and passing agency information through a newly developed reconciliation tool that compares data across 26 markers to identify any anomalies in the data. The number of anomalies should diminish over the coming years as they are resolved. The reconciliation process is an ongoing undertaking.	LPI's target is to successfully reconcile 50% of the data by May 2012.
<b>Spatial enablement of non-DCDB Railcorp, Country Rail Infrastructure and Roads and Maritime properties</b> - Investigation of the possibility of using agency supplied data to spatially-enable land parcels that are not represented as separate identities in the cadastre is currently underway and a positive outcome is expected.	Investigations to be completed by February 2012. Completion of the spatial enablement is targeted for July 2012.
<b>Address data for GURAS (Geo-coded Urban and Rural Addressing System)</b> - GPR address information is to be sourced from GURAS to ensure the current official address is stored for each property. LPI is also developing the Comprehensive Property Addressing System (CPAS) which will simplify and streamline the creation and maintenance of addressing across the state and provide a single source of truth for all property addresses. The system allows for the capture of alias addresses to be held against a property together with	Access to GURAS completed by July 2012.

the official address. An interface between CPAS and GPR will be developed when available. Implementation is dependent upon CPAS development.	
<b>GPR Valuation Data</b> – A “refresh” of property values in the GPR from Valnet, an LPI database that holds property and valuation information, is underway.	April 2012