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Election Costing Request Form

Details of request	
Party:	Australian Labor Party (NSW Branch)
Name of Policy:	Recreational fishing policy
Date of request:	26 March 2015

Description of policy	
Summary of policy (please attach copies of relevant policy documents):	See <u>Attachment 1</u> .
What is the purpose or intention of the policy?	Promote recreational fishing, fish stocks and facilities and safety.
Has the policy been publicly released yet?	

Your estimated costing of the policy ¹						
	2014/15 \$'000	2015/16 \$'000	2016/17 \$'000	2017/18 \$'000	4 Yr Total \$'000	Other years ² \$'000
Impact on General Government Sector (GGS) net operating result ³	-	2,000	2,000	2,000	6,000	-
Impact on GGS capital expenditure ⁴	-	-	-	-	-	-
If different from above, impact on total State Sector net financial liabilities ⁵	-	-	-	-	-	-

¹ Amounts should be expressed in nominal dollars. GGS - General Government Sector.

² Please provide information on other years if spending occurs outside the forward estimate years and will be required to cost the policy.

³ Negative for a saving that reduces expenditure

⁴ Negative for a reduction in capital expenditure.

⁵ Only required if proposal is outside GGS. Negative for a reduction in net financial liabilities.

Key assumptions made in the policy	
Does the policy relate to a previous announcement? If yes, which announcement?	No.
What assumptions have been made in deriving the financial impacts in your estimated costing? <i>(See checklist)</i>	<p><u>Sydney Harbour recreational fishing haven</u></p> <p>Declaring Sydney Harbour to be a recreational fishing haven would permanently formalise the current ban on commercial fishing in Sydney Harbour. It would have no cost to government.</p> <p><u>Murray Darling basin fishing</u></p> <p>A fixed capped amount of \$2 million annually would be provided to support a native fish strategy for the Murray Darling basin. The scope of the new strategy would be scalable to funding available.</p> <p><u>Fishing platforms</u></p> <p>Agency resources would be allocated to scoping and planning the provision of additional fishing platforms. Final project approvals would be subject to government consideration.</p> <p><u>Parliamentary Secretary for Recreational Fishing</u></p> <p>The Parliamentary Secretary for Recreational Fishing would be allocated within the current number of Parliamentary Secretaries. It would involve no additional cost to government.</p> <p><u>Guarantee recreational fishing licence fees go to benefit recreational fishers.</u></p> <p>Existing policy is to direct recreational fishing licence fees into Recreational Fishing Trusts that support recreational fishing. The commitment by NSW Labor involves a guarantee to ensuring these arrangements are upheld. It involves no quantifiable cost.</p>

Is there a range for the costing or any sensitivity analysis that you have undertaken?	No.
Are there associated savings, offsets or expenses? If yes, please provide details.	..

Administration of policy	
Intended date of implementation:	26 March 2015.
Intended duration of policy:	Over the forward estimates.
Who will administer the policy (e.g. Government entity, non-government organisation, etc.)?	NSW Primary Industries.
Are there any specific administrative arrangements for the policy that need to be taken into account?	No.
Are there transitional arrangements associated with policy implementation?	..

If the policy is mainly an expenditure⁶ commitment	
Demand driven or a capped amount:	Capped
Eligibility criteria or thresholds:	N/a.

⁶ Expenditure is operating expenses, e.g. salaries, interest cost and grants. Expenditures are fully included in the impact on operating balance.

Attachment 1

Labor's recreational fishing policy is to:

1. Declare Sydney Harbour a permanent Recreational Fishing Haven;
2. Provide \$2 million per year to reinstate the native fish strategy for the Murray Darling basin which was cut by the Baird Government
3. Work to enhanced facilities including fishing platforms to take the pressure off commuter wharfs;
4. Appoint a Parliamentary Secretary for Recreational fishing; and
5. Guarantee 100% of recreational fishing licence fees go to benefit recreational fishers.