

Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2007-08
CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO
INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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Question : As far as nullah decking is concerned, please tell the Council:

- (a) The number of nullahs planned for construction in 2006-07 and 2007-08 and the location and the estimated cost of each project.
- (b) Have other alternatives been examined instead of nullah decking (such as greening of nullah) to enhance the nullah and the ecology in the neighbourhood? If yes, what are the details of the plan and the estimated cost? If no, what is the reason?

Asked by : Hon. LEE Chu-ming, Martin

Reply :

- (a) The details of nullah decking works commencing in 2006-07 and 2007-08 are as follows:

2006-07

Location	Estimated Cost (\$M)
Summit Terrace Nullah, Tsuen Wan	3
Kwai Wing Road Nullah Ramp, Kwai Chung	2
Yip Shing Street Nullah, Kwai Chung	2
Total	\$7M

2007-08

Location	Estimated Cost (\$M)
Jordan Valley Nullah, Kwun Tong	25
Rambler Crest Nullah, Tsing Yi	60
Flower Market Road Nullah, Mongkok	57
Tonkin Street Nullah, Shamshuipo	60
Total	\$202M

- (b) Apart from the decking of nullahs, the Drainage Services Department commenced in January 2007, a \$10.8M study on the feasibility of the rehabilitation and improvement of the Yuen Long Town nullahs to examine options of improving the environment and enhancing the ecological values of the nullahs. The options include greening, dry weather flow interception, beautification, etc., and their potential impact on the flooding risk will be considered. The study will take about 20 months to complete. The outcome of the study will help to determine the implementation strategy and works programme.

Signature _____

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