## Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2008-09

## CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY TO INITIAL WRITTEN QUESTION

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<u>Programme</u>: (1) Stormwater Drainage

Head: 39 – Drainage Services Department

Controlling Officer: Director of Drainage Services

<u>Director of Bureau</u>: Secretary for Development

Question: During 2008-09, the Department will continue with the design and construction of the nullah

decking projects in stages. Please inform this Council the details of the plan and the estimated cost involved. Will the Administration re-examine the potential of that section of the nullah to be improved for greening purpose before decking and consult the local residents about the

Subhead (No. & title):

nullah decking projects?

Asked by: Hon. WONG Kwok-hing

Reply: The decking of nullahs at Jordan Valley (Kwun Tong), Flower Market Road (Mong Kok) and

Tonkin Street (Sham Shui Po) is under construction and will continue in 2008-09. The total estimated cost is \$216 million. The respective District Councils have been consulted before commencement of construction. They supported these three decking projects including the proposed beneficial uses of the decked surface for greening, amenity and footpath widening

purposes.

The decking of the Fuk Man Road nullah in Sai Kung is scheduled for commencement of construction in 2008-09. The estimated cost is \$86 million. The preliminary proposal including the greening and amenity design of the decked surface was supported by the Sai Kung District Council in 2007. We will consult Sai Kung District Council again in April 2008 on the final design.

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