Examination of Estimates of Expenditure 2014-15

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CONTROLLING OFFICER'S REPLY

(Question Serial No. 2958)

<u>Head</u>: (704) Capital Works Reserve Fund: Drainage

Subhead (No. & title): (4402DS) Feasibility study on relocation of Sai Kung sewage

treatment works to caverns

<u>Programme</u>: Not Specified

<u>Controlling Officer</u>: Director of Drainage Services (CHUNG Kum Wah, Daniel)

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

Question (Member Question No. 46):

Regarding Subhead 4402DS "Feasibility study on relocation of Sai Kung sewage treatment works to caverns", under "Environment—Environmental Protection—Sewerage and sewage treatment", the project at a rough order of cost of \$40.9 million is forecast to start in the third quarter of the 2014–15 financial year, with an estimated expenditure of \$2.12 million in 2014–15.

What is the timetable for the works involved? Will the Administration set out in detail the allocation of resources for various facilities involved in this project? If not, what are the reasons?

Asked by: Hon. QUAT, Elizabeth

Reply:

Subject to funding approval of the Finance Committee, we plan to commence the feasibility study on relocation of Sai Kung sewage treatment works to caverns in the second half of 2014 for completion in about two years.

The latest total estimated cost of the feasibility study and the associated site investigation works is about \$40.6 million in money-of-the-day (MOD) prices, broken down as follows –

\$ million

(a) Consultants' fees for detailed engineering feasibility study, planning review of the future land use, public engagement and consultation exercises etc.

23.4

(b)	Site investigation and other investigations		8.5	
(c)	Contingencies		3.1	
		Sub-total	35.0	(in September 2013 prices)
(d)	Provision for price adjustment		5.6	
		Total	40.6	(in MOD prices)