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### **'COMATOSE' KELLY FAILS PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

**Minister Tony 'Comatose' Kelly needs a wake-up jolt given he is way over time in responding to Parliament's planning law review.**

"Infrastructure and planning are two big challenges for NSW and yet the Minister responsible, Tony 'Comatose' Kelly is completely inactive and incompetent," Shadow Minister for Planning, Brad Hazzard, said today.

"A major Parliamentary inquiry into planning was released in December 2009 and required a Government response by June 10.

"Instead of presenting a comprehensive response to the report, State Labor and 'Comatose' Kelly offered a one page letter promising a response would be released 'shortly'.

"Now a month after the due date, the NSW community still awaits the Minister's awakening and response.

"The first recommendation from the Committee report was that the Government must, '**... undertake a fundamental review of the New South Wales planning framework...**'

"The NSW Liberals & Nationals have already committed to overhauling the planning system if elected to government – and now it's time for State Labor to announce their intentions.

"Admittedly State Labor had to be dragged kicking and screaming to hold an inquiry in the first place, but now it's up to Minister Kelly to respond.

"If and when a response comes however, going on the recent Infrastructure Australia report, it may well be that we will get a non-existent response to the planning issues in the same way Minister Kelly dealt with NSW's infrastructure submissions to Infrastructure Australia.

"It's demeaning, disturbing and destructive of NSW that the Minister and his Labor Government clearly failed to get infrastructure submissions completed to a reasonable standard.

"What that tells us is that 'Comatose' Kelly and 'Lights, Camera, No Action' Keneally have failed NSW residents.

**"It's time that the State Labor Government woke up to the infrastructure and planning needs and delivered a comprehensive response to the planning law inquiry and a substantive assessment of NSW's infrastructure needs," Brad Hazzard said.**

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