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PARLIAMENTARY QUESTION
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TO

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MINISTER OF FINANCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

QUESTION:

What was the total amount spent by Core Government on Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) studies since 2009 broken down by year?
(a) What vendor or vendors were the funds spent with and how was the procurement done?
(b) Were all the successful vendors Caymanian or Caymanian entities and if not, what was the ownership structure?
(c) Did all successful vendors have Trade and Business Licences?

ANSWER:

Mister Speaker, a total of approximately CI$6.2 million has been identified as expenditure by Core Government on Environmental Impact Assessments or EIAs and associated works between 1 January 2009 and 30 September 2026.

The expenditure relates to two projects: the Cruise Berthing Facility and the East-West Arterial Road Expansion.

Annual Expenditure

The Government spent a total of CI$6.2 million on the EIAs: $2.6 million for the Cruise Berthing Facility; and $3.6 million for the East-West Arterial Road Expansion.

Year	Project	Total Expenditure CI$
		$ 000s
2014	Cruise Berthing Facility	$2,560
2021	East-West Arterial Road Expansion	$50
2022	East-West Arterial Road Expansion	$200
2023	East-West Arterial Road Expansion	$3,336
2024	East-West Arterial Road Expansion	$54
Total		**$6,200**

Vendors and Procurement Methods

Mister Speaker, the Ministry of Tourism and Trade Development has confirmed that a contract was awarded in May 2014 to WF Baird Coastal Engineers Ltd. for the Cruise Berthing Facility EIA and associated marine engineering studies.

The contract was awarded following a competitive bidding process conducted through the Central Tenders Committee.

With respect to the East-West Arterial Road Expansion, the National Roads Authority or NRA has confirmed that contracts with a total value of CI$4.3 million were awarded – from which CI$3.6 million was spent.

With respect to the East-West Arterial Road Expansion, three of the five contracts were direct awards, and two contracts arose from a competitive bidding process.

	Consultant	Contract Value (USD)	Contract Value (CI$)	Procurement Method
2021	Remmington & Vernick Engineers	$59,252	$49,772	Direct Award
2022	Whittman Requardt & Associates	$120,000	$100,800	Open Tender
2022	BAIRD Consultants	$118,355	$99,418	Direct Award
2023	Whittman Requardt & Associates	$3,971,090	$3,335,716	Open Tender
2024	TYLIN	$63,947	53,715	Direct Award
TOTAL			**$3,639,421**	

Caymanian Ownership of Successful Vendors

Mister Speaker, the Ministry of Tourism and Trade Development has advised that W.F. Baird & Associates Ltd., a company headquartered in Canada, partnered with BOLAS Engineering Ltd., a company located in George Town, Grand Cayman, in connection with the Cruise Berthing Facility Project.

The information provided does not confirm the ownership structure of either company or whether BOLAS Engineering Ltd. is Caymanian-owned.

With respect to the East-West Arterial Road Expansion Project, the NRA has confirmed that the selected consultants are US-based entities with 100% foreign ownership. The principal consultant, Whittman Requardt & Associates, engaged local firms AMR Consulting Engineers and Tower Marketing as part of its project team.

Trade and Business Licences

Mister Speaker, the Ministry of Tourism and Trade Development has confirmed that, according to the Department of Commerce and Investment's Trade and Business Licence Register, BOLAS Engineering Ltd. held Trade and Business Licence number 831631/13, issued during the 2013 licensing cycle.

The information provided does not confirm the licensing status of W.F. Baird & Associates Ltd. at the time of the contract award.

With respect to the East-West Arterial Road Expansion Project, the NRA has advised that the consultants hold the requisite professional operating licences in their respective US jurisdictions.

Thank you, Mister Speaker.