

# Yet more money for another folly

Another day, another dollar, more lipstick. The Perth Film Studios are nearing completion in 2026 (*News*, 20/1) and on the cusp of a grand opening, there are reportedly no confirmed bookings. That alone should concern every taxpayer in WA.

This Government's lack of awareness is diabolical. When Perth is crying out for practical infrastructure, cost-of-living relief, housing, health services, we are being handed a very expensive production shed with no guaranteed demand. West Australians deserve better decision making. Listen to the taxpayers of WA. Reassess vanity projects, axe the racetrack and redirect funding to where it is genuinely needed.

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## Just call the tradies

When my plumbing system can't cope/flush the "s..." down the appropriate pipes, I ring a local plumber who attends either on the day or next, assesses the issue and either fixes it or does a temporary fix, then arranges a time to



**Roger Cook and Simone McGurk at the new film studios.**

complete the job. No unnecessary paperwork, no government inquiry, no commission, etc. The first problem in the past couple of decades is the government's need for paperwork to convince their counterparts why a job needs to be done. Second is to "multitask" public servants/ministers.

They shift them around so the in-tray keeps building and the order of jobs sink to the bottom. By the time the shifted "servant/minister" learns the job, they get shifted again.

Bureaucratic red tape. All government departments need are plumbers to shift the "s..." promptly at far less expense. Also, let the "servants/ministers" that are proficient stay in their job and only shift or sack those if they are not performing.

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## Long trip for the buck

So, Premier Roger Cook has declared that the health buck ultimately stops with him (*News*, 19/1).

I think the word "ultimately" is the operative word here.

Good luck getting that buck past his army of public servants and politicians. If by some chance it does, Roger has installed a praetorian guard of four supporting health ministers lest the ghost of his own disastrous health ministry should return. I think it was easier for the Watergate scandal to reach Richard Nixon than it would be for health problems to be traced back to Roger.

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