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REGULATIONS 1994**

Regulatory Impact Statement

Notice is given that a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) has been prepared in relation to the Wildlife (State Game Reserve) Regulations 1994. The Regulations are required to replace the State Game Reserve Regulations 1984 which will sunset on 31 October 1994.

The objective of the Regulations is to provide for the proper management of State Game Reserves established under the Wildlife Act 1975. The Regulations further aim to protect and conserve indigenous flora and fauna and their habitats, provide for the safety, enjoyment, recreation and education of visitors and provide for hunting, consistent with protection of nature conservation values and the safety and enjoyment of reserve visitors.

The RIS examined the use of Voluntary Codes of Conduct as an alternative to the proposed Regulations. The RIS rejected this alternative, however, on the basis that it would only partially meet the objectives. Protection of reserves and visitor amenity could be

compromised as a result of lower levels of compliance associated with the use of a Code. Implementation of a Code would also require considerable resources to provide the necessary community information and education. The RIS concluded that the proposed Regulations were the most effective means of achieving the stated objectives.

Public comments are invited on the RIS and accompanying Regulations. Copies may be obtained by contacting Janette Hodgson, Parks and Reserves Branch (tel. 412 4448) or Janine Rossely, Portfolio Coordination Branch (tel. 412 4862).

Written submissions will be received at the following address up to and including 31 October 1994 by Janette Hodgson, Parks and Reserves Branch, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, 1st Floor, 250 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne 3002.

All submissions will be treated as public documents.

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