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## **SPECIAL**

Subordinate Legislation Act 1994 NOTICE OF DECISION - PROPOSED FISHERIES (RECREATIONAL) (SALMONID) REGULATIONS 1997

I, Patrick McNamara, Minister for Agriculture and Resources, and Minister responsible for administration of the Fisheries Act 1968, give notice under section 12 of the Subordinate Legislation Act 1994, as follows-

A regulatory impact statement (RIS) was prepared in relation to the proposed Fisheries (Recreational) (Salmonid) Regulations 1997 and advertised inviting public comment. 102 submissions were received commenting on a number of issues relating to the RIS and proposed Regulations and, in particular, on the proposal to exempt fishing for trout in the Goulburn River from the proposed close season subject to certain restrictions.

After considering these submissions, I have decided that the proposed Fisheries (Recreational) (Salmonid) Regulations 1997 be made with the following amendments:

- 1. The proposed exemption of the Goulburn River from the close season has been removed as it is considered that there are enough waters available for trout fishing during the proposed close season when the majority of lakes are available; and
- 2. The Schedules of waters have been amended to clarify the description of certain waters; and
- 3. The restriction on the use of trout or salmon ova as bait has been changed to also prohibit the use of ova as berley; and
- 4. The bag limits for taking salmonids have been clarified.

Dated 2 June 1997

PATRICK McNAMARA Minister for Agriculture and Resources 2

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