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Subordinate Legislation Act 1962 FISHERIES (RECREATIONAL) REGULATIONS 1992

Regulatory Impact Statement

A Regulatory Impact Statement has been prepared in relation to the proposed Fisheries (Recreational) Regulations 1992.

The Fishing (General) Regulations 1981 are due to sunset on 30 June 1992. The proposed Regulations are required to replace those aspects of the Fishing (General) Regulations 1981 and other species-specific regulations which relate to recreational fishing.

The objective of the proposed Regulations is to implement the goals of the *Fisheries Act* 1968 with regard to providing for—

- (a) the management and control of recreational fishing; and
- (b) the sustainable use of fish resources.

The Regulatory Impact Statement provided an explanation of the reasons for each of the proposed regulations and also examined those restrictions in the existing regulations which will be removed.

Two alternatives to the proposed Regulations were examined in the Regulatory Impact Statement. These were—

- (1) codes of practice; and
- (2) self-regulation.

The Regulatory Impact Statement concluded that neither of these alternatives would effectively meet the objective and that proposed Regulations were the best means of meeting the objective.

Copies of the Regulatory Impact Statement and draft Regulations may be obtained from Alan McPherson (telephone 412 4773). Copies of the Regulatory Impact Statement and proposed Regulations have been forwarded to all recognised angling groups in Victoria.

Public comments on the Regulatory Impact Statement and accompanying Regulations are invited. Written submissions will be received at the following address up to 21 days from the date of publication of this notice: All submissions will be treated as public documents.

Address for submissions: Alan Woodroffe, Subordinate Legislation Officer, 8th Floor, 240 Victoria Parade, Melbourne

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Subordinate Legislation Act 1962: FISHERIES (COMMERCIAL) REGULATIONS 1992 FISHERIES (FEES) REGULATIONS 1992 FISHERIES (EELS) REGULATIONS 1992 Regulatory Impact Statement

A Regulatory Impact Statement has been prepared in relation to the proposed Fisheries (Commercial) Regulations 1992, the proposed Fisheries (Fees) Regulations 1992 and the proposed Fisheries (Eels) Regulations 1992.

The proposed Regulations consolidate matters in the Fishing (General) Regulations 1981 and the Commercial Fishing Licences Regulations 1982 which relate to commercial fishing, fees for commercial licences, permits and registrations and eel fishing, into three separate sets of Regulations. As a result of this consolidation, the preparation of regulations which make consequential amendments to a number of sets of species-specific Regulations was required. These Regulations will also be made available with the Regulatory Impact Statement.

The objectives of the proposed Regulations are to-

- (a) provide for the management and control of commercial fisheries; and
- (b) provide for the sustainable use of fish resources; and
- (c) give effect to the provisions of the Fisheries Act 1968.

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The Regulatory Impact Statement provided an explanation of the reasons for each part of the proposed regulations and examined four alternatives to the Regulations. These were—

- (1) codes of practice;
- (2) self-regulation;
- (3) performance based standards;
 - (4) other.

The Regulatory Impact Statement concluded that the proposed Regulations were the most effective means of achieving the objective.

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