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Catchment Management Amendment Bill 2001

Explanatory note

This explanatory note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament.

Overview of Bill

The object of this Bill is to amend the Catchment Management Act 1989:

- (a) to provide for the establishment of the Catchment Management Advisory Council, and
- (b) to provide for the establishment of catchment management boards, and
- (c) to provide for the preparation of catchment management plans.

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Outline of provisions

Clause 1 sets out the name (also called the short title) of the proposed Act.

Clause 2 provides for the commencement of the proposed Act on a day or days to be appointed by proclamation.

Clause 3 is a formal provision giving effect to the amendments to the *Catchment Management Act 1989* set out in Schedule 1.

Clause 4 gives effect to the amendments to the *Native Vegetation Conservation Act* 1997 and the *Water Management Act* 2000 set out in Schedule 2.

Clause 5 repeals the Catchment Management Regulation 1999.

Schedule 1 Amendment of Catchment Management Act 1989

Schedule 1 [1] amends the long title of the *Catchment Management Act 1989* (*the Act*). The amendment replaces references to "State Catchment Management Coordinating Committee" and "total catchment management" with references to the "Catchment Management Advisory Council" and "integrated catchment management" respectively. The amendment also inserts a reference to "catchment management boards" in the long title.

Schedule 1 [2] amends section 3 by omitting definitions of terms no longer used in the Act.

Schedule 1 [3] amends section 3 of the Act by inserting definitions of certain terms used in the Act. Schedule 1 [8], [10], [11], [15], [16], [17], [18], [22], [28], [31], [33], [36], [37], [38] and [59] make consequential amendments.

Schedule 1 [4] replaces the definition of *total catchment management* with a definition of *integrated catchment management*. Schedule 1 [6] makes consequential amendments.

Schedule 1 [5] amends section 5 of the Act by inserting a new principal object in the Act.

Schedule 1 [7] and [13] update references to various bodies established under the Act.

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Schedule 1 [9] amends section 6 of the Act to replace a reference to the Co-ordinating Committee with a reference to the new Catchment Management Advisory Council established under the proposed section 8. The amendment also provides who is to be the responsible Minister for catchment management boards.

Schedule 1 [14] replaces Division 1 of Part 2 of the Act. Proposed section 8 provides for the establishment of the Catchment Management Advisory Council. Proposed section 9 sets out the functions of the Council, including advising the Minister about various matters relating to catchment management. Proposed section 10 provides that, in exercising its functions, the Council is subject to the control and direction of the Minister. Proposed section 11 provides for the membership of the Council and the appointment of a chairperson.

Schedule 1 [19] replaces section 15 (1) (h) of the Act with proposed paragraphs (h) and (i). The proposed paragraphs provide that the functions of a catchment management committee include developing draft catchment management plans and providing advice to the Minister about integrated catchment management.

Schedule 1 [20] omits a redundant provision.

Schedule 1 [21] inserts new section 15A into the Act. The proposed section provides that, in exercising its functions, a catchment management committee is subject to the control and direction of the Minister who established the committee and the Minister administering the Act.

Schedule 1 [23] inserts new Division 2A in Part 2 of the Act. Division 2A makes provision with respect to catchment management boards. Proposed section 16A provides for the establishment of the catchment management boards listed in Part 1 of Schedule 1. The boards' functions are specified in proposed section 16B. Proposed section 16C provides that catchment management boards are subject to the control and direction of the Minister for Land and Water Conservation. Membership and chairperson of boards is specified in proposed section 16D. Proposed section 16E provides for the areas of the boards. The proposed section 16F provides that the Minister for Land and Water Conservation may, by order published in the Gazette, abolish a board, change the name of a board or establish a new board.

Schedule 1 [24] updates the heading to Division 3 of Part 2 of the Act.

Schedule 1 [25] amends section 17 of the Act to provide that Schedule 3 has effect with respect to the members and procedures of the Catchment Management Advisory Council and catchment management boards.

Schedule 1 [26] amends section 18 of the Act to provide that the Catchment Management Advisory Council and catchment management boards may delegate to a person any of their functions.

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Schedule 1 [27] amends section 19 of the Act to provide that the Catchment Management Advisory Council and catchment management boards may, with the approval of the Minister, arrange for the use of the services of any staff or facilities of a government department or public or local authority.

Schedule 1 [32] amends section 21 of the Act to provide that the area of a catchment management trust may overlap with the area of a catchment management committee or board.

Schedule 1 [34] amends section 27 of the Act to provide that the functions of a catchment management trust include developing draft catchment management plans.

Schedule 1 [35] amends section 27 of the Act to provide that, if the responsible Minister so decides, a catchment management trust may also exercise within its trust area any or all of the functions of a catchment management committee or board.

Schedule 1 [39] inserts a new Part 3A into the Act to provide for catchment management plans. Proposed section 59A provides that the Minister may direct a committee, board or trust to prepare a draft catchment management plan, and set the terms of reference for the plan. Proposed section 59B provides for the contents of a draft catchment management plan. Proposed section 59C provides that certain persons, including each local council for the area in which the plan is to apply, must be notified of the objectives of the draft plan and a description of the area to which the plan is intended to apply. Proposed section 59D provides that a draft catchment management plan must be submitted or given to the Minister for the Environment. The proposed section 59E provides that the Minister must refer the draft plan back to the committee, board or trust which prepared the plan if the plan does not comply with the requirements of Part 3A of the Act or is otherwise not suitable for public exhibition. The draft plan must be publicly exhibited under proposed section 59F. Proposed section 59G provides that any person may make a submission to the Minister about the draft plan and the Minister must give a copy of any submissions received to the committee, board or trust which prepared the plan. The proposed section 59H provides that the Minister must consult with the Minister for the Environment and the Catchment Management Advisory Council about the plan. The proposed section 59I provides that the committee, board or trust must resubmit the draft plan to the Minister together with its comments on the submissions. Under proposed section 59J the Minister may make the plan and a copy of the plan must be published in the Gazette. The proposed section 59L provides for the committee, board or trust which prepares a catchment management plan to provide advice to the Minister about the consistency of the plan with natural resources plans made under certain other Acts. A catchment management plan may be amended or repealed under section 59M. Proposed section 59N provides that a catchment

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management plan has effect for 10 years from the date it is made and must be reviewed 5 years after its making and under proposed section 59O a catchment management plan must be audited at least every 5 years. Proposed section 59P provides that the Minister may, after consulting with other Ministers, set catchment management policies, targets and principles. Proposed section 59Q provides that the Minister may make his or her own plans in certain circumstances.

Schedule 1 [40] amends section 61 of the Act to provide for certain evidentiary matters in relation to the Catchment Management Advisory Council, catchment management committees, catchment management boards or catchment management trusts.

Schedule 1 [41] amends section 63 of the Act to provide a regulation-making power for certain matters in relation to the Catchment Management Advisory Council, catchment management committees, catchment management boards and catchment management trusts.

Schedule 1 [42] omits section 69. Section 69 provided for the amendment of the *Water Supply Authorities Act 1987*. That Act has been repealed and therefore section 69 is redundant.

Schedule 1 [43] replaces Schedule 1 to the Act. Part 1 of Schedule 1 lists the catchment management boards established under the Act. Part 2 of Schedule 1 lists the catchment management trusts established under the Act. Schedule 1 [12], [29] and [30] make consequential amendments.

Schedule 1 [44] amends Schedule 2 to the Act by providing that for the purposes of establishing a catchment management board an urban area is one of the areas listed in that Schedule.

Schedule 1 [45] updates the heading to Schedule 3 to the Act.

Schedule 1 [46] replaces clause 1 of Schedule 3 to the Act and inserts a definition of the term *member* used in the Schedule. *Member* is defined to include a member of the Catchment Management Advisory Council or a catchment management committee or catchment management board.

Schedule 1 [47] updates clause 2 of Schedule 3 to the Act by changing a reference to the Co-ordinating Committee to the new Council.

Schedule 1 [48] amends clause 5 of Schedule 3 to the Act to provide for the procedure to be followed when a vacancy occurs in the office of a member of the Catchment Management Advisory Council or a catchment management committee or catchment management board.

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Schedule 1 [49] inserts a new clause 6A in Schedule 3 to the Act. The proposed clause 6A obliges a member of the Catchment Management Advisory Council, or a member of a catchment management committee or catchment management board, who has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in a matter being considered or a thing being done by the Council, committee or board to disclose the member's interest at a meeting of the Council, committee or board.

Schedule 1 [50] amends clause 8 of Schedule 3 to the Act to provide that a member of the Catchment Management Advisory Council, or a member of a catchment management committee or catchment management board, is not liable for certain acts done for the purposes of the Act.

Schedule 1 [51] and **[52]** amend clause 9 of Schedule 3 to the Act to provide that the general procedure for the calling of a meetings of the Catchment Management Advisory Council, or a catchment management committee or catchment management board, is to be as determined by the Council, committee or board.

Schedule 1 [53] amends clause 10 of Schedule 3 to the Act to provide that a quorum for a meeting of the Catchment Management Advisory Council, or a catchment management committee or catchment management board, is a majority of the members.

Schedule 1 [54] and **[55]** amend clause 11 of Schedule 3 to the Act to provide for the presiding member of the Catchment Management Advisory Council or a catchment management committee or catchment management board.

Schedule 1 [56] replaces clause 12 of Schedule 3 to the Act and inserts a new clause 12A. Proposed clause 12 provides that at a meeting of the Catchment Management Advisory Council, or a catchment management committee or catchment management board, all members present are to strive for consensus in reaching decisions. A decision by the Council, committee or board has effect if it is supported by a majority of the votes cast. Proposed clause 12A provides that the presiding member at a meeting of the Council, committee or board must cause a record of the proceedings at the meeting to be made.

Schedule 1 [57] amends clause 13 of Schedule 3 to the Act to provide that the first meeting of the Catchment Management Advisory Council, or a catchment management committee or catchment management board, is to be called by the responsible Minister.

Schedule 1 [58] amends clause 1 of Schedule 4 to the Act by omitting the definition of *Trust*. The definition is to be included in section 3 of the Act.

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Schedule 1 [60] and [61] insert savings and transitional provisions consequent upon the enactment of the proposed Act into Schedule 6 to the Act. The savings and transitional provisions dissolve certain trusts previously established under the Act and provide that the staff, assets, rights and liabilities of the trusts are transferred to the Crown.

Schedule 2 Amendment of other Acts

Schedule 2 provides for consequential amendments of other Acts. The amendments provide that certain plans prepared under the *Native Vegetation Conservation Act 1997* and *Water Management Act 2000* must be consistent with any relevant catchment management plan made under the *Catchment Management Act 1989*.

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A Bill for

An Act to amend the *Catchment Management Act 1989* to establish a Catchment Management Advisory Council and catchment management boards; to provide for the preparation of catchment management plans; and for other purposes.

The I	Legislature of New South Wales enacts:	1
1	Name of Act	2
	This Act is the Catchment Management Amendment Act 2001.	3
2	Commencement	4
	This Act commences on a day or days to be appointed by proclamation.	5 6
3	Amendment of Catchment Management Act 1989 No 235	7
	The Catchment Management Act 1989 is amended as set out in Schedule 1.	8 9
4	Amendment of other Acts	10
	The Acts specified in Schedule 2 are amended as set out in that Schedule.	11 12
5	Repeal of Catchment Management Regulation 1999	13
	The Catchment Management Regulation 1999 is repealed.	14

Amendment of Catchment Management Act 1989

Schedule 1 Amendment of Catchment Management 1 Act 1989 2 (Section 3) 3 [1] Long title 4 Omit "State Catchment Management Co-ordinating Committee and to 5 provide for Catchment Management Committees and Catchment 6 Management Trusts to implement total catchment management". 7 Insert instead "Catchment Management Advisory Council and to provide 8 for catchment management committees, catchment management boards and 9 catchment management trusts to implement integrated catchment 10 management". 11 Section 3 Definitions [2] 12 Omit the definitions of catchment area, Catchment Management 13 Committee, Catchment Management Trust, co-ordinate, Co-ordinating 14 *Committee* and *Trust area* from section 3 (1). 15 Section 3 (1) [3] 16 Insert in alphabetical order: 17 area of a committee, board or trust means the area for which 18 the committee, board or trust is established. 19 board means a catchment management board established under 20 section 16A. 21 committee means a catchment management committee 22 established under section 13. 23 Council means the Catchment Management Advisory Council 24 established under section 8. 25 *integrated catchment management*—see section 4. 26 trust means a catchment management trust established under 27 section 20. 28

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[4]	Section 4	1
	Omit the section. Insert instead:	2
	4 Integrated catchment management	3
	For the purposes of this Act, integrated catchment	4
	<i>management</i> is the co-ordination of activities that use, or	5
	impact on, natural resources within a water catchment so that	6
	decisions relating to individual resources and areas within the	7
	catchment take full account of potential impacts on other	8
	resources and areas and on the health and well-being of	9
	communities within the catchment.	10
[5]	Section 5 Objects of Act	11
	Omit "(1) The objects of this Act are:" from section 5 (1). Insert instead:	12
	(1) The principal object of this Act is to provide for institutional	13
	arrangements, and planning and monitoring mechanisms, that	14
	allow for informed decision-making by the Government and	15
	the community on integrated catchment management to achieve	16
	the optimal balance of environmental, economic and social	17
	outcomes.	18
	(1A) In addition, the objects of this Act are:	19
[6]	Sections 5 (1A) (a) (as renumbered by item [5]), 5 (2) (b), 15 (1) (a) and	20
	(e) and 26	21
	Omit "total catchment management" wherever occurring.	22
	Insert instead "integrated catchment management".	23
[7]	Section 5 (2) (a)	24
	Omit the paragraph. Insert instead:	25
	(a) provides for a Catchment Management Advisory	26
	Council, and a network of catchment management	27
	committees, catchment management boards and catchment management trusts, linking the Government	28 29
	and the community to achieve integrated catchment	29 30
	management, and	31

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[8]	Sections 5 (2) (b), 22 (heading), 23, 25 (heading), 26 (heading), 63 (2) (d) and Schedule 4 (heading)	1 2
	Omit "Catchment Management Trusts" wherever occurring. Insert instead "trusts".	3 4
[9]	Section 6 Responsible Minister	5
	Omit "Co-ordinating Committee" from section 6 (1) (a). Insert instead "Council or a board".	6 7
[10]	Sections 6 (1) (b) and (4) (a), 13 (heading), 13 (1) and (2), 14 (1) and (3), 15 (1), (2) and (3) and 16 (1) (a)	8 9
	Omit "Catchment Management Committee" wherever occurring. Insert instead "committee".	10 11
[11]	Sections 6 (1) (c) and 4 (a), 21 (1), (2) and (3), 22 (1), 25 (1) (a), 26, 27 (1) and (4) (a) and (b), 28 (1), 29 (1), 30 (1) (a), 31 (1), 32, 33, 34 (heading), 34 (1), 35, 36, 37 (1), 38 definition of "charging year", 39 (1), 40 (1), 41 (1), 42 (1), 43 (1), 44 (1), 45 (1), 46 (1) definition of "appropriate local authority" and (2), 48 (1), 49 (1), 51 (1), 52 (1), 53 (1), 55 (1), 56 (1), 57 (1), 58 (1) and 59 (1)	12 13 14 15 16 17
	Omit "Catchment Management Trust" wherever occurring. Insert instead "trust".	18 19
[12]	Section 6 (4) (b)	20
	Omit "Schedule 1". Insert instead "Part 2 of Schedule 1".	21
[13]	Part 2, heading	22
	Omit the heading. Insert instead:	23
	Part 2 Establishment of catchment management organisations	24 25

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[14]	Part 2, Division 1 Omit the Division. Insert instead:				
	8	Esta	ablishment of Council	4	
			There is established by this Act a Catchment Management Advisory Council.	5 6	
	9	Fun	actions of Council	7	
		(1)	The functions of the Council are:	8	
			(a) to advise the responsible Minister in respect to assessing, varying and approving draft catchment management plans, and	9 10 11	
			(b) to advise the responsible Minister on integrated catchment management planning and co-ordinating the management of various natural resources, and	12 13 14	
			(c) to review, and advise the responsible Minister on, the performance of committees, boards and trusts generally, and	15 16 17	
			(d) to advise the responsible Minister on methods and priorities for the investment, at the State level, of funds available under natural resource and environment management grants and investment programs, including the distribution of available funds between regions, and	18 19 20 21 22	
			(e) to advise the responsible Minister on any other aspect of integrated catchment management referred by the Minister to the Council.	23 24 25	
		(2)	For the purposes of subsection (1) (c), it is not the Council's function to review, and advise the responsible Minister on, the performance of a specific committee, board or trust unless requested to do so under subsection (1) (e).	26 27 28 29	
	10	Con	ntrol and direction of Council	30	
			In exercising its functions, the Council is subject to the control and direction of the responsible Minister.	31 32	

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	11	Mer	nbership of Council	1
		(1)	The Council is to consist of not more than 10 members appointed by the responsible Minister.	2 3
		(2)	The members are to include:	4
			(a) the Director-General of the Department of Land and Water Conservation or a representative of the department nominated by the Director-General, and	5 6 7
			 (b) the Director-General of any other Government agency concerned with natural resource management which, in the responsible Minister's opinion, should be represented on the Council or a representative of the agency nominated by the Director-General, and 	8 9 10 11 12
			(c) at least one person who, in the responsible Minister's opinion, has credibility and influence in the use or management of natural resources for production or other purposes, and	13 14 15 16
			(d) at least one person who, in the responsible Minister's opinion, has credibility and influence in nature conservation, and	17 18 19
			(e) at least one person who, in the responsible Minister's opinion, has credibility and influence in local government, and	20 21 22
			(f) at least one person who, in the responsible Minister's opinion, has credibility and influence in Aboriginal cultural interests relating to natural resource management.	23 24 25 26
		(3)	The responsible Minister is to appoint one of the members of the Council as the chairperson of the Council.	27 28
[15]	Part 2	, Div	ision 2, heading	29
	Omit	the he	eading. Insert instead:	30
	Divis	ion 2	2 Catchment management committees	31
[16]	Sectio	ons 1	3 (2), 15 (1) and 16 (1) (c)	32
	Omit '	"catcl	hment area" wherever occurring. Insert instead "area".	33

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[17]	Section 14 Membership of committees	1
	Omit "catchment area" from section 14 (2) (a), (b), (c) and (d) wherever occurring. Insert instead "committee's area".	2 3 4
[18]	Section 14 (2) (e)	5
	Omit "a catchment area". Insert instead "an area".	6
[19]	Section 15 Functions of committees	7
	Omit section 15 (1) (h). Insert instead:	8
	(h) to develop draft catchment management plans,	9
	(i) to advise the responsible Minister on any other aspect of	10
	integrated catchment management referred by the Minister to the committee.	11 12
[20]	Section 15 (3)	13
	Omit the subsection.	14
[21]	Section 15A	15
	Insert after section 15:	16
	15A Control and direction of committees	17
	In exercising its functions, a committee is subject to the control	18
	and direction of the responsible Minister and, if the responsible	19
	Minister is not the Minister administering this Act, that Minister.	20 21
[22]	Section 16 Abolition, change of name etc of committees	22
	Omit "Committee" from section 16 (1) (b) and (c).	23
	Insert instead "committee".	24

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[23]	Part 2	2, Division 2	2A	1
	Insert after Division 2:			
	Divis	sion 2A	Catchment management boards	3
	16A	Establishr	nent of boards	4
			e are established by this Act the catchment management Is listed in Part 1 of Schedule 1.	5 6
	16B	Functions	of boards	7
		The f	unctions of a board are:	8
		(a)	to develop draft catchment management plans for the board's area or parts of its area, and	9 10
		(b)	to consult with the broad community, and segments of the community with interests in natural resource management, in developing draft catchment management plans for the board's area, and	11 12 13 14
		(c)	to advise the responsible Minister about the prioritised management actions for investment, in the board's area, of funds available under natural resource and environmental management grants and investment programs, and	15 16 17 18 19
		(d)	to advise the responsible Minister about progress made in achieving catchment targets, management targets and prioritised management actions for investment contained in any catchment management plan made by the Minister for the board's area, and	20 21 22 23 24
		(e)	to advise the community, and segments of the community with interests in natural resource management, about prioritised management actions for investment in accordance with any catchment management plan approved by the responsible Minister for the board's area, and	25 26 27 28 29 30
		(f)	to advise the responsible Minister on any other aspect of integrated catchment management referred by the Minister to the board.	31 32 33

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16C	Cor	trol and direction of boards	
		A board is subject to the control and direction of the	
		responsible Minister in exercising its functions.	
16D	Mer	nbership of board	
	(1)	Each board is to consist of not less than 13, but not more than 22, members appointed by the responsible Minister.	
	(2)	The board must include:	
		(a) not less than 2, but not more than 4, members who, in the responsible Minister's opinion, are capable of representing the interests of local government, and	
		(b) not less than 2, but not more than 3, members who, in the responsible Minister's opinion are capable of representing the interests of Aboriginal communities in natural resource management, and	
		(c) not less than 3, but not more than 5, members who, in the responsible Minister's opinion are capable of representing the interests of nature conservation, and	
		(d) not less than 3, but not more than 5, members who, in the responsible Minister's opinion, are capable of representing the interests of persons using or managing natural resources for production or other purposes, and	
		(e) not less than 3, but not more than 5, members who, in the responsible Minister's opinion are capable of representing the interests of Government, one of whom must be employed within the Department of Land and Water Conservation.	
	(3)	The responsible Minister is to appoint one of the members of the board as the chairperson of the board.	
16E	Area	a for which board established	
		The area for which a board is established is the area designated by the responsible Minister by order published in the Gazette.	

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	16F	Abo	olition, d	change of n	ame and cha	nge of area	a of board		1
		(1)	The re Gazett	1	Minister may	, by order	published in the	ne	2 3
			(a)		bard by amend that Schedule		ile 1 to remove i	its	4 5
			(b)	change the change the		rd by amene	ding Schedule 1	to	6 7
			(c)		new board by that Schedule		chedule 1 to inse	ert	8 9
		(2)		rder under ional provisi		may con	tain savings a	nd	10 11
[24]	Part 2	2, Div	ision 3,	heading					12
	Omit	the h	eading.	Insert instea	d:				13
	Divis	ion (3		provisions es and boa		g to Counc	•	14 15
[25]	Section	on 17	' Provis	ions relating	g to member	s and proc	edure		16
				0	e and Catchme ittees and boa	U	nent Committees		17 18
[26]	Section	on 18	B Delega	ation of cert	ain functions	5			19
				0	e or a Catchm mmittee or bo	0	ment Committee		20 21
[27]	Section	on 19	Staff						22
				0	e or a Catchm mmittee or bo	0	ment Committee		23 24
[28]	Section	on 20	Catchr	ment manag	gement trusts	5			25
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[29]	Section 20 (1) and (2)	1
	Omit "Schedule 1" wherever occurring.	2
	Insert instead "Part 2 of Schedule 1".	3
[30]	Section 21 Establishment of trusts	4
	Omit "Schedule 1" from section 21 (1).	5
	Insert instead "Part 2 of Schedule 1".	6
[31]	Sections 21 (3), 22 (2), 27 (2), 28 (2), 39 (1) and 40 (3)	7
	Omit "Trust area" wherever occurring. Insert instead "area".	8
[32]	Section 21 (5)	9
	Omit "Trust and that of a Catchment Management Committee".	10
	Insert instead "trust and the area of a committee or board".	11
[33]	Sections 24, 25 (1) (b), 27 (2) and (3), 28 (2), 29 (3) and (4), 30 (1) (b), 31	12
	(2), 34 (1), 37 (1) and (2), 38 definition of "charging year", 39 (2), 40 (3), 41 (2), 42, 43 (2), 44 (2), 46 (1) definition of "appropriate local authority"	13 14
	and (2), 51 (1) (a) and (3), 52 (2), 53 (2) and (3), 54, 55 (1) and (2), 56 (1)	15
	and (2), 57 (2), 58, 59 (1)	16
	Omit "Trust" wherever occurring (except where occurring in the term	17
	"Catchment Management Trust").	18
	Insert instead "trust".	19
[34]	Section 27 Functions of trusts	20
	Insert after section 27 (1) (g):	21
	(g1) develop draft catchment management plans, and	22
[35]	Section 27 (2)	23
	Omit "Catchment Management Committee".	24
	Insert instead "committee or board".	25

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[36]	Section	ons 2	9 (1) (b) and (2), 31 (2) and 42 (1)	1
			ordinating Committee" wherever occurring. ad "Council".	2 3
[37]	Section	on 40	Trust may levy catchment contributions	4
	Omit	"its T	rust area" from section 40 (1). Insert instead "its area".	5
[38]	Section	ons 4	0 (2), 41 (2) (c) and 46 (4)	6
	Omit	"Trus	t's" wherever occurring. Insert instead "trust's".	7
[39]	Part 3	BA		8
	Insert	after	Part 3:	9
	Part	3A	Catchment management plans	10
	59A	Pre	paration of draft catchment management plans	11
		(1)	The Minister may, by order in writing:	12
			(a) direct the committee, board or trust to prepare a draft catchment management plan for its area or part of its area, and	13 14 15
			(b) specify the terms of reference in accordance with which the plan must be prepared.	16 17
		(2)	The committee, board or trust must prepare a draft catchment management plan in accordance with the terms of reference specified in the order.	18 19 20
		(3)	If the committee, board or trust fails to prepare a draft catchment management plan in accordance with its terms of reference, the Minister may do so instead.	21 22 23
	59B	Con	tents of draft catchment management plans	24
		(1)	A draft catchment management plan must include the following:	25 26
			(a) the objectives of the plan,	27
			(b) catchment targets,	28

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		(c)	management targets,	1
		(d)	prioritised management actions (being the investment priorities for the area),	2 3
		(e)	any other matter specified by the Minister.	4
	(2)		ormulating a draft catchment management plan, a nittee, board or trust must have due regard to:	5 6
		(a)	the objects of this Act, and	7
		(b)	the economic and social impacts of the matters considered for inclusion in the plan, and	8 9
		(c)	the provisions of any environmental planning instrument under the <i>Environmental Planning and</i> <i>Assessment Act 1979</i> that applies to land within the area, and	10 11 12 13
		(d)	Government policy.	14
	(3)	in wh	e case of a draft catchment management plan for an area hich an equivalent catchment management plan is already rce, the draft plan may be in the form of:	15 16 17
		(a)	an amendment to the existing catchment management plan, or	18 19
		(b)	a new plan to replace the existing catchment management plan.	20 21
	(4)		pt as provided by this section, the contents of a catchment gement plan are to be as decided by the Minister.	22 23
59C	Not	ificatio	on of certain persons and bodies	24
	(1)	infor	eparing a draft catchment management plan, the following mation must be notified by the committee, board or trust e person or bodies referred to in subsection (2):	25 26 27
		(a)	the objectives of the draft plan,	28
		(b)	a description of the area to which the draft plan is intended to apply,	29 30
		(c)	any other matter specified by the Minister.	31

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	(2)	The p	ersons and bodies are as follows:	1
		(a)	each council within the meaning of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i> for the area in which the plan is to apply,	2 3 4
		(b)	each committee, board or trust within whose area of operations the plan is to apply,	5 6
		(c)	each regional vegetation committee under the <i>Native</i> <i>Vegetation Conservation Act 1997</i> within whose area of operations the plan is to apply,	7 8 9
		(d)	each water management committee under the <i>Water</i> <i>Management Act 2000</i> within whose area of operations the plan is to apply,	10 11 12
		(e)	any other person or body specified by the Minister.	13
	(3)		te to notify a person or body referred to in subsection (2) not affect the validity of a catchment management plan.	14 15
	(4)	section relation (or a	son or body to whom information is notified under this n may make written submissions to the Minister in on to the draft catchment management plan within 28 days longer period specified by the Minister) after the nation is notified.	16 17 18 19 20
59D	Refe	erence	of draft catchment management plan	21
		includ	a draft catchment management plan has been prepared, ling a draft plan referred back to a committee, board or inder section 59E:	22 23 24
		(a)	in the case of a draft plan prepared by a committee, board or trust—the committee, board or trust must submit a copy of the draft plan to the Minister and the Minister for the Environment, and	25 26 27 28
		(b)	in the case of a draft plan prepared by the Minister—the Minister must give a copy of the draft plan to the Minister for the Environment.	29 30 31
59E	Min	ister m	nay refer draft plan back to committee, board or trust	32
		plan d	the Minister's opinion, a draft catchment management loes not comply with the requirements of this Part or is wise not suitable for public exhibition, the Minister must:	33 34 35

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	(a)	refer the draft plan back to the committee, board or trust for further consideration, or	1 2
	(b)	amend it to cause it to comply with those requirements	3
	(0)	or to be suitable for public exhibition.	4
Pub	olic exl	hibition of draft catchment management plan	5
(1)	Once	the Minister is satisfied a draft catchment management	6
	plan i	is suitable for public exhibition, the Minister must:	7
	(a)	give public notice of the draft plan, and	8
	(b)	exhibit the draft plan (together with such other	9
		information as the Minister considers appropriate or	10
		necessary to enable the draft plan and its implications to	11
		be understood) at the places, on the dates and during the	12
		times set out in the notice.	13
(2)	The p	public notice must:	14
	(a)	specify the places at which, the dates on which, and the	15
		times during which, the draft plan may be inspected by	16
		the public, and	17
	(b)	specify a period of not less than 40 days during which	18
		submissions may be made to the Minister about the	19
		plan, and	20
	(c)	be published in at least one daily newspaper circulating	21
		throughout New South Wales and in at least one local	22
		newspaper circulating in the area of the committee,	23
		board or trust.	24
(3)	The	Minister must consult with the Minister for the	25
		conment before deciding whether the plan is suitable for	26
		c exhibition.	27
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Sub	missi	ons on draft catchment management plan	28
(1)		ng the period specified under section 59F (2) (b), any	29
		n may make a written submission to the Minister about	30
	the d	raft catchment management plan.	31
(2)	The 1	Minister must send a copy of each submission to the	32
. /		nittee, board or trust by which the plan was prepared.	33

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59H	Cor	sultation with Minister for the Environment and Council	1
		The Minister must consult with, and take into account any recommendations about the draft catchment management plan made by, the following persons:	2 3 4
		(a) the Minister for the Environment,	5
		(b) the Council.	6
59 I	Res	ubmission of draft plan to Minister	7
	(1)	As soon as practicable after completing its consideration of any submissions made about the draft catchment management plan, the committee, board or trust must resubmit the draft plan to the Minister together with its comments on the submissions.	8 9 10 11
	(2)	Before making any alterations to the draft plan, the Minister must consult with the committee, board or trust.	12 13
59J	Mal	king of plan	14
	(1)	After complying with the requirements of this Part, the Minister may:	15 16
		(a) make a catchment management plan in accordance with the draft plan, or	17 18
		(b) make a catchment management plan in accordance with the draft plan as finally submitted to the Minister, but with any amendments the Minister thinks fit, or	19 20 21
		(c) cause the draft catchment management plan to be re- exhibited (with any amendments the Minister thinks fit) and resubmitted in accordance with this Part, or	22 23 24
		(d) decide not to proceed with the draft catchment management plan.	25 26
	(2)	Before making a catchment management plan, the Minister must consult with the Minister for the Environment again about the plan.	27 28 29

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59K	Pub	lication and commencement of catchment management plan	1
	(1)		2
		Gazette.	3
	(2)		4
		which it is published in the Gazette or if a later date is specified	5
		in the plan for that purpose, the later date so specified.	6
59L	Min	ister to be advised about consistency of plans	7
	(1)	This section applies if there is a regional vegetation	8
		management plan under the Native Vegetation Conservation	9
		Act 1997 or a management plan under the Water Management	10
		Act 2000 (a resource specific plan) in effect for the whole or	11
		part of the area for which a catchment management plan has	12
		been made.	13
	(2)	The committee, board or trust that prepared the catchment	14
		management plan must, as soon as practicable after the plan is	15
		made, advise the Minister about any factors that need to be	16
		considered in the next review or remaking of the resource	17
		specific plan to ensure consistency with the catchment	18
		management plan.	19
9M	Am	endment and repeal of catchment management plan	20
	(1)	A catchment management plan may be amended by a	21
		subsequent catchment management plan made in accordance	22
		with this Part.	23
	(2)	A catchment management plan may also be amended by the	24
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	(2)	Minister, by notice published in the Gazette, but only in the	25
	(2)	circumstances, in relation to the matters and to the extent the	25 26
	(2)		
	(2)	circumstances, in relation to the matters and to the extent the plan provides.	26
		circumstances, in relation to the matters and to the extent the plan provides.	26 27
		circumstances, in relation to the matters and to the extent the plan provides. The Minister may, by notice published in the Gazette, repeal a	26 27 28
	(3)	circumstances, in relation to the matters and to the extent the plan provides. The Minister may, by notice published in the Gazette, repeal a catchment management plan.	26 27 28 29

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59N	Dur	ation of catchment management plans	1
	(1)	Unless sooner repealed, a catchment management plan has effect for 10 years from the date on which it commences.	2 3
	(2)	However, the Minister may, by notice published in the Gazette before the end of the 10-year period, extend the period by which a plan remains in force by a further period not exceeding 6 months.	4 5 6 7
	(3)	Within the fifth year after a catchment management plan was made, the Minister is to review the plan to ascertain whether its provisions remain adequate and appropriate for meeting the targets included in the plan.	8 9 10 11
	(4)	The review is to be conducted in consultation with the Minister for the Environment.	12 13
59O	Per	iodic auditing of catchment management plans	14
	(1)	The Minister is to ensure that a catchment management plan is audited, at intervals of not more than 5 years, to ascertain whether its provisions are being given effect to.	15 16 17
	(2)	An audit under subsection (1) is to be carried out by an audit panel appointed by the Minister.	18 19
	(3)	In setting terms of reference for the preparation of a catchment management plan to replace an existing catchment management plan, the Minister must have regard to the results of the most recent audit conducted under subsection (1) in relation to the existing plan.	20 21 22 23 24
59P		ister may develop policies, targets and principles for chment management plan	25 26
	(1)	The Minister may, by order published in the Gazette:	27
		(a) set State-wide catchment management policies and targets, and	28 29
		 (b) set State-wide principles for catchment management planning matters, that may include the following: (i) monitoring and reporting about the provisions of catchment management plans, (ii) trade-offs between natural resources, 	30 31 32 33 34

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			(iii)	market-based mechanisms (being economic instruments that support natural resource	1 2
			(iv)	management objectives), Government and private investment in integrated	3 4
			. ,	catchment management,	5
			(v)	setting objectives and targets for catchment	6
			(vi)	management plans, economic and social profiling and assessment	7 8
			(1)	within areas,	9
			(vii)	integrated property planning within areas.	10
	(2)			may publish an order under subsection (1) only ng with the following Ministers:	11 12
		(a) 1	the Tre	easurer,	13
		(b) 1	the Mi	nister for the Environment,	14
		(c) 1	the Mi	nister for Urban Affairs and Planning,	15
		(d) 1	the Mi	nister for Agriculture.	16
	(3)	A catch	nment	management plan prepared under this Part must	17
		be cons	sistent v	with any policies, targets and principles published	18
		by the l	Ministe	er under subsection (1).	19
59Q	Min	ister's p	lans		20
	(1)			may, by order published in the Gazette, make a <i>ter's plan</i>):	21 22
				y part of the State that is not within the area of a ittee, board or trust, or	23 24
		(b) 1	for the	area of a committee, board or trust, or part of an	25
				or which a catchment management plan is not in	26
		1	force, o	or	27
				area of a committee, board or trust, or part of an	28
				or which a catchment management plan is in	29
				but only so far as to deal with matters not dealt y the plan.	30 31
	(2)			blan for an area must deal with any matters that a	32
	(2)			inagement plan is required to deal with, and may	32
				any other matters a catchment management plan	34
				to deal with, other than matters already dealt with	35
		by a ca	tchmer	nt management plan for the area.	36

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(3)	B) Before making a Minister's plan, the Minister must:			
	(a)	consult with the Minister for the Environment about the plan, and	2 3	
	(b)	give notice of, and exhibit, the plan under section 59F as if the plan were a catchment management plan.	4 5	
(4)		linister's plan has the same effect as a catchment gement plan.	6 7	
(5)	in the fifth year after it was made, the Minister is to review nister's plan to ascertain whether its provisions remain late and appropriate for meeting the targets included in the	8 9 10 11		
(6)		eview is to be conducted in consultation with the Minister e Environment.	12 13	
(7)	accor	the Minister is to ensure a Minister's plan is audited in dance with section 59O as if the Minister's plan were a ment management plan.	14 15 16	
Section 61	Proof	of certain matters not required	17	
Omit parag	graphs ((a)–(d). Insert instead:	18	
	(a)	the constitution of the Council, a committee, a board or a trust, or	19 20	
	(b)	any resolution of the Council, a committee, a board or a trust, or	21 22	
	(c)	the appointment of, or the holding of office by, a member of the Council or a committee, board or trust, or	23 24 25	
	(d)	the presence of a quorum at a meeting of the Council or a committee, board or trust.	26 27	
Section 63	Regu	lations	28	
Omit section	on 63 (2	2) (a) and (b). Insert instead:	29	
	(a)	any of the functions conferred or imposed on the responsible Minister, the Council, a committee, a board or a trust by or under this Act,	30 31 32	
	(b)	the establishment, business and proceedings of the Council or a committee, board or trust,	33 34	

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[42]	Section 69 Amen	dment of Water Supply Authorities Act 1987 No. 140	1
	Omit the section.		2
[43]	Schedule 1		3
	Omit the Schedule	e. Insert instead:	4
	Schedule 1	Catchment management boards and catchment management trusts	5
		(Sections 16A and 20)	7
	Part 1 Catch	ment management boards	8
	Border Rivers Cat	chment Management Board	9

Border Rivers Catchment Management Board	9
Central Coast Catchment Management Board	10
Central West Catchment Management Board	11
Gwydir Catchment Management Board	12
Lachlan Catchment Management Board	13
Lower Murray Darling Catchment Management Board	14
Lower North Coast Catchment Management Board	15
Mid North Coast Catchment Management Board	16
Murray Catchment Management Board	17
Murrumbidgee Catchment Management Board	18
Namoi Catchment Management Board	19
Northern Rivers Catchment Management Board	20
South East Catchment Management Board	21
Southern Catchment Management Board	22
Southern Sydney Catchment Management Board	23
Sydney Harbour Catchment Management Board	24

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	Upper North Coast Catchment Management Board	1				
	Western Catchment Management Board					
	Part 2 Catchment management trusts	3				
	Hunter Catchment Management Trust	4				
[44]	Schedule 2 Urban area	5				
	Omit "Catchment Management Committees and Catchment Management Trusts".	6 7				
	Insert instead "committees, boards and trusts".	8				
[45]	Schedule 3, heading	9				
	Omit "Co-ordinating Committee and Catchment Management Committees". Insert instead "Council, committees and boards".	10 11				
[46]	Schedule 3, clause 1	12				
	Omit the clause. Insert instead:	13				
	1 Definition	14				
	In this Schedule, <i>member</i> means a member of:	15				
	(a) the Council, or	16				
	(b) a committee, or	17				
	(c) a board.	18				
[47]	Schedule 3, clause 2	19				
	Omit "Co-ordinating Committee" from clause 2 (1) and (3) and heading	20				
	wherever occurring.	21				
	Insert instead "Council".	22				
[48]	Schedule 3, clause 5	23				
	Omit "Committee" from clause 5 (1) (e) wherever occurring.	24				
	Insert instead "Council, committee or board".	25				

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[49]	Schee	dule	3, clau	ise 6A	1
	Insert after clause 6:				2
	6A	Dis	closur	e of pecuniary interests	3
		(1)		ember of the Council or a committee or board who has a t or indirect pecuniary interest:	4 5
			(a)	in a matter that is being considered, or is about to be considered, at a meeting of the Council, committee or board, or	6 7 8
			(b)	in a thing being done or about to be done by the Council, committee or board,	9 10
			the m	, as soon as possible after the relevant facts have come to nember's knowledge, disclose the nature of the interest at eting of the Council, committee or board.	11 12 13
		(2)	A dis	sclosure at a meeting that the member:	14
			(a)	is a member, or is in the employment, of a specified company or other body, or	15 16
			(b)	is a partner, or is in the employment, of a specified person, or	17 18
			(c)	has some other specified interest relating to a specified company or other body or a specified person,	19 20
			in an	ten to be a sufficient disclosure of the nature of the interest y matter or thing relating to that company or other body or at person that may arise after the date of the disclosure.	21 22 23
		(3)	discle book	Council, committee or board must cause particulars of any osure made under subclause (1) or (2) to be recorded in a kept for the purpose and the book must be open at all onable hours to the inspection, free of charge, of any on.	24 25 26 27 28
		(4)	an int	a member has, or is taken to have, disclosed the nature of terest in any matter or thing under subclause (1) or (2), the ber must not, unless the responsible Minister otherwise les:	29 30 31 32
			(a)	to be present during any deliberation, or take part in any decision, of the Council, committee or board with respect to the matter, or	33 34 35

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		(b)	exercise any functions under this Act with respect to the thing,	1 2
		as the	e case requires.	3
	(5)	of the	ntravention of this clause does not invalidate any decision e Council, committee or board or the exercise of any ion under this Act.	4 5 6
[50]	Schedule	3, clau	se 8	7
			ee" wherever occurring. e Council or a committee or board".	8 9
[51]	Schedule	3, clau	se 9	10
	Omit "a Co	ommitte	ee". Insert instead "the Council or a committee or board".	11
[52]	Schedule	3, clau	se 9	12
	Omit "the	Comm	ittee". Insert instead "the Council, committee or board".	13
[53]	Schedule	3, clau	se 10	14
	Omit "a Co	ommitte	ee". Insert instead "the Council or a committee or board".	15
[54]	Schedule 3	3, clau	se 11	16
	Omit "a Co	ommitt	ee" from clause 11 (1) and (2).	17
	Insert inste	ad "the	e Council or a committee or board".	18
[55]	Schedule 3	3, clau	se 11	19
	Omit "the	Comm	ittee" from clause 11 (1).	20
	Insert inste	ad "the	e Council, committee or board".	21

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[56]	Schedule 3, clauses 12 and 12A					
	Omit	Omit clause 12. Insert instead:				
	12 Decisions					
	(1) At any meeting of the Council or a committee or board, all members present are to strive for consensus in reaching decisions.					
		(2)	However, a decision by the Council, committee or board has effect if it is supported by a majority of the votes cast at a meeting at which a quorum is present.	7 8 9		
	12A	Rec	cord of proceedings	10		
		(1)	The presiding member at a meeting of the Council or a committee or board must cause a record of the proceedings at the meeting to be made.	11 12 13		
		(2)	Records made for the purpose of this clause may be destroyed after the expiry of the period prescribed by regulations.	14 15		
[57]	Sche	dule	3, clause 13	16		
	Omit	"a Co	ommittee". Insert instead "the Council or a committee or board".	17		
[58]	Schedule 4 Provisions relating to trustees and procedure of trusts					
	Omit	the d	efinition <i>Trust</i> from clause 1.	19		
[59]	Sche	dule	4	20		
	Omit	"Trus	st" wherever occurring. Insert instead "trust".	21		
[60]	Sche	dule	6 Savings, transitional and other provisions	22		
	Omit	"of th	his Act" from clause 1 (1). Insert instead:	23		
			of the following Acts:	24		
			this Act,	25		
	the Catchment Management Amendment Act 2001.					

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[61]	Schee	dule 6, Part 3	1
	Omit	the Part. Insert instead:	2
	Part	3 Provisions consequent on enactment of Catchment Management Amendment Act 2001	3 4 5
	10	Definitions	6
		In this Part:	7
		<i>amending Act</i> means the <i>Catchment Management Amendment Act 2001</i> .	8 9
		<i>assets</i> means any legal or equitable estate or interest (whether present or future and whether vested or contingent) in real or personal property of any description (including money), and includes securities, choses in action and documents.	10 11 12 13
		<i>corresponding board</i> for a trust means the board having the same name as the trust had immediately before its dissolution.	14 15
		<i>existing trust</i> means a trust, other than the Hunter Catchment Management Trust, constituted under this Act as in force immediately before the commencement of the amending Act.	16 17 18
		<i>instrument</i> means an instrument (other than the amending Act) that creates, modifies or extinguishes rights or liabilities (or would do so if lodged, filed or registered in accordance with any law), and includes any judgment, order or process of a court.	19 20 21 22 23
		<i>liabilities</i> means any liabilities, debts or obligations (whether present or future and whether vested or contingent).	24 25
		<i>rights</i> means any rights, powers, privileges or immunities (whether present or future and whether vested or contingent).	26 27
	11	Dissolution of existing trusts	28
		(1) Each existing trust is dissolved.	29
		 (2) A person who immediately before the dissolution of an existing trust, held office as a member of the existing trust: 	30 31
(a) ceases to hold that office, and			32

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(b) is not entitled to any compensation because of the loss of that office.

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(3) The assets, rights and liabilities of an existing trust immediately before its dissolution become the assets, rights and liabilities of the Crown.

12 Area of boards

Until an order is made under section 16E, the area for which a board is established is the area marked with the name of the board and shown on the plan identified as Miscellaneous Sydney Plan Series MS 23016—3000 and held in the Department of Land and Water Conservation.

13 Staff of existing trusts

- (1) This clause applies to a person employed by an existing trust immediately before the day on which the existing trust is dissolved by clause 11.
- (2) A person to whom this clause applies becomes, on the dissolution of the existing trust, an employee of the Crown.
- (3) The person is (until other provision is duly made under any Act or law) to be employed in accordance with any relevant statutory provisions, awards, agreements and determinations that would have applied to the person had the person remained in the employ of the existing trust.

14 Construction of references to existing trust

On the dissolution of an existing trust by the amending Act, a reference in any Act (other than this Act), in any instrument made under any Act or in a document of any kind to an existing trust:

- (a) in relation to an asset, right or liability of the existing trust, is taken to be a reference to the Crown, and
- (b) otherwise, is taken to be a reference to the 30 corresponding board. 31

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15	Firs	t annual report of board	1
	(1)	This clause applies with respect to any period before the dissolution of an existing trust for which the affairs of the existing trust have not been the subject of an annual financial report of the existing trust.	2 3 4 5
	(2)	The first annual report of the corresponding board is to include the financial affairs of the existing trust with respect to any such period.	6 7 8

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			(Section 4)	2	
2.1	Native Ve	getatio	on Conservation Act 1997 No 133	3	
[1]	Section 27	Matte	rs to be dealt with in plan	4	
			chment management strategy prepared in accordance with <i>unagement Act 1989</i> " from section 27 (1) (d).	5 6	
[2]	Section 27	′ (4)		7	
	Insert after section 27 (3):			8	
	(4) The initiator of a draft regional vegetation management plan:			9	
		(a)	must be satisfied the draft plan is consistent with any catchment management plan made under section 59J or Minister's plan made under section 59Q of the <i>Catchment Management Act 1989</i> for the region to which the draft plan is intended to apply and, in particular, addresses salinity and other targets in the catchment management plan or Minister's plan, and	10 11 12 13 14 15 16	
		(b)	must provide a statement to accompany the plan that demonstrates how the draft plan will contribute to meeting the targets in the catchment management plan or Minister's plan.	17 18 19 20	
	(5)	exhibi	ement provided under subsection (4) (b) must be publicly ited with the draft regional vegetation management plan section 29.	21 22 23	

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2.2 Water Management Act 2000 No 92

Section 16 Management plans to be consistent with other instruments

Insert after section 16 (1) (d):

(d1) any catchment management plan made under section 59J or Minister's plan made under section 59Q of the *Catchment Management Act 1989* and, in particular, must address salinity and other targets in the catchment management plan or Minister's plan and must contain or be accompanied by a statement demonstrating how the plan will contribute to meeting the targets, and