

National Parks and Wildlife (Further Adjustment of Areas) Bill 2005

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

Overview of Bill

The objects of this Bill are to:

(a) revoke the reservation under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* of land within Illawarra Escarpment State Conservation Area, Jerrawangala National Park and Morton National Park, and

(b) vest that land in:

(i) the Crown as land that is subject to the *Crown Lands Act 1989* (in the case of the land within Illawarra Escarpment State Conservation Area),

or

(ii) the Minister administering Part 11 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* (in the case of land within Jerrawangala National Park and Morton National Park).

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 revokes the reservation under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* of land described in Schedule 1 or 2 as part of the state conservation area and national parks referred to in those Schedules.

Clause 4 vests land described in Schedule 1 (which is land within Illawarra Escarpment State Conservation Area) in the Crown and makes the land subject to the *Crown Lands Act 1989*.

Clause 5 vests land described in Schedule 2 (which is land within Jerrawangala National Park and Morton National Park) in the Minister administering Part 11 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*.

Clause 6 ensures that the proposed Act does not operate to extinguish native title rights and interests existing in relation to the excised land immediately before its vesting under the proposed Act in the Crown as land subject to the *Crown Lands Act 1989* or in the Minister administering Part 11 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*.

Clause 7 provides that the proposed Act binds the Crown.

Clause 8 enables the making of regulations for the purposes of the proposed Act, including regulations of a savings or transitional nature consequent on the enactment of the proposed Act.

Schedule 1 Land within Illawarra Escarpment State Conservation Area vested in Crown as land subject to Crown Lands Act 1989

This Schedule sets out the land within Illawarra Escarpment State Conservation Area whose reservation as state conservation area is revoked and that is vested in the Crown as land subject to the *Crown Lands Act 1989*. The land concerned comprises 3 parcels of land, having a total area of about 5,900 square metres.

Schedule 2 Land within national parks vested in Minister administering Part 11 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974

This Schedule sets out the land within Jerrawangala National Park and Morton National Park (being land whose reservation is revoked) that is vested in the Minister administering Part 11 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* for the purposes of that Part. The land transferred from Jerrawangala National Park has a total area of about 1.4286 hectares. The land transferred from Morton National Park has a total

area of about 21.797 hectares.