

# **Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Fishing Activities) Regulation 2003**

under the

**Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979** 

Her Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*.

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Minister for Infrastructure and Planning and Minister for Natural Resources

#### **Explanatory note**

Currently, designated fishing activities that are listed in Schedule 1A to the *Fisheries Management Act 1994* are not subject to the general provisions of Part 5 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (*the Act*). Designated fishing activities were to be brought within the scope of Division 5 of that Part on 31 December 2003.

The object of this Regulation is to extend the period during which the provisions of Part 5 of the Act do not apply, so as to allow additional time for fisheries management strategies to be developed for each designated fishing activity. This is necessary because a fisheries management strategy is the basis for environmental assessment under Division 5 of that Part. This Regulation extends the deadline to 31 December 2004.

Non-designated fishing activities are also exempt from the requirements of Part 5 of the Act. However, those activities were to be bought within the scope of the general provisions of Part 5 (other than Division 5) on 31 December 2003. This Regulation also extends that deadline to 31 December 2004.

This Regulation is made under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*, including sections 110 (1) (definition of *activity*), 115R (2) (b) and 157 (the general regulation-making power).

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#### 1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Amendment (Fishing Activities) Regulation 2003.* 

### 2 Amendment of Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000

The Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 is amended as set out in Schedule 1.

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Amendment Schedule 1

#### **Schedule 1** Amendment

(Clause 2)

#### Clauses 244B (1) and 244C

Omit "31 December 2003" wherever occurring.

Insert instead "31 December 2004".