

Impact Analysis Statement

Summary IAS

Details

Lead department	Department of Local Government, Water and Volunteers (DLGWW)
Name of the proposal	<i>Water Amendment Regulation 2025</i>
Submission type	Summary IAS
Title of related legislative or regulatory instrument	<i>Water Regulation 2016</i>
Date of issue	July 2025

Proposal type	Details
Minor and machinery in nature	<p>The <i>Water Amendment Regulation 2025</i> amends the <i>Water Regulation 2016</i> (the Regulation) to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update references to 'departmental website or Queensland government portal'. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> These website references in the Regulation are outdated and do not match nor align with the <i>Water Act 2000</i>. The intent is to simply modernise the wording in the Regulation and ensure that the publication occurs on a relevant Queensland Government website. Correct incorrect cross references related to accepted development. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This will correct an erroneous cross reference to section 1014(2)(g) of the <i>Water Act 2000</i> that should be to section 1014(2)(f). Correct errors related to duly qualified persons. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This will correct an erroneous cross reference to section 104(2) of the Regulation that should be to section 104(3). This will also update the definition of 'modular meter' to include modular meter configurations that involve only one sensor. List Elanda Point and Tangalooma Island Resort as prescribed entities that can hold a water licence that does not attach to land. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This will allow for the continuation of existing lawful water take operations. Correct schedules 11 and 11A relating to measurement requirements. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This will correct errors and misstatements in the measurement requirements. <p>These proposals are minor and have no regulatory costs. DLGWW has identified that no regulatory impact analysis is required under <i>The Queensland Government Better Regulation Policy</i>.</p>

**Regulatory proposals
where no RIA is required**

The *Water Amendment Regulation 2025* also amends the Regulation to modernise public notification requirements for water allocation dealing applications. This will reduce the burden on water allocation holders regarding publishing information about a water allocation dealing application by instead requiring the chief executive to publish the notice on a Queensland Government website. The chief executive may still also require the applicant to publish a copy of the public submissions notice in some circumstances, but this will no longer be the default position.


This proposal is deregulatory in nature and are unlikely to result in adverse impacts. DLGWV has identified that no regulatory impact analysis is required under *The Queensland Government Better Regulation Policy*.

Signed



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