

Impact Analysis Statement

Summary IAS

Details

Lead department	Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation
Name of the proposal	Nature Conservation (Protected Areas) Amendment Regulation 2026
Submission type	Summary IAS
Title of related legislative or regulatory instrument	<i>Nature Conservation Act 1992</i> <i>Nature Conservation (Protected Areas) Regulation 1994</i>
Date of issue	June 2026

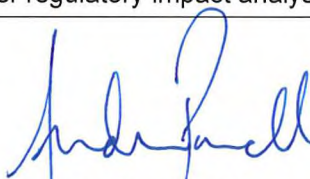
Proposal type	Details
Minor and machinery in nature	This proposal is minor and machinery in nature and aims to amend Schedules 2 and 3B of the <i>Nature Conservation (Protected Areas) Regulation 1994</i>. Implementing the Amendment Regulation will: • change the class and redescribe part of Boodjamulla (Lawn Hill) National Park as Boodjamulla National Park (Aboriginal Land); • redescribe Boodjamulla (Lawn Hill) National Park; and • redescribe Boodjamulla National Park (Aboriginal Land). The Proposal • Changes the class of 98,028.52 hectares of Boodjamulla (Lawn Hill) National Park to Boodjamulla National Park (Aboriginal Land). • Is supported by the local Aboriginal people through the Proposed Boodjamulla National Park (Aboriginal Land) Indigenous Land Use Agreement (the ILUA) (QI2023/003). • Resolves in part the 2016 Land Tribunal's decision to grant Boodjamulla (Lawn Hill) National Park to the Waanyi People and the Minnie Myboogundji Family group in accordance with section 72(1) of the <i>Aboriginal Land Act 1991</i> (ALA). • All financial commitments and compensation related to the Boodjamulla National Park (Aboriginal Land) dedications were addressed during the ILUA negotiation process between 2020 and 2023. The ILUA was registered by the National Native Title Tribunal in 2023. Background and Objective • In October 2020, the Waanyi land dealing negotiations commenced to resolve the 2016 Land Tribunal's decision to grant Boodjamulla (Lawn Hill) National Park to the Waanyi People and the Minnie Myboogundji Family group in accordance with section 72(1) of the ALA. • In June 2023, the Waanyi Native Title Aboriginal Corporation Registered Native Title Body Corporate (Waanyi PBC) and the State of Queensland entered into the ILUA. The ILUA included nine Lawn Hill resources reserves. The ILUA committed to transfer a total of about

	378,000 hectares of land to Waanyi PBC as a combination of national park (Aboriginal land) and Aboriginal freehold land over three tranches. • In June 2023, tranche one was completed: Part of Boodjamulla (Lawn Hill) National Park was dedicated as Boodjamulla National Park (Aboriginal Land), making it the first national park (Aboriginal land) in Queensland. • In November 2025, part of tranche two was completed: Part of Boodjamulla (Lawn Hill) National Park was dedicated as Boodjamulla National Park (Aboriginal Land). • Boodjamulla National Park (Aboriginal Land) is leased in perpetuity to the Queensland Government for collaborative land management in accordance with a Cooperative Management Agreement with the Waanyi PBC. The proposal gives effect to existing policy and facilitates the agreed tenure outcomes in the ILUA. The proposal allows for the next part of the tranche two lands to be resolved by updating Schedule 2 and 3B in the <i>Nature Conservation (Protected Areas) Regulation 1994</i> dedicating land as Boodjamulla National Park (Aboriginal Land). As provided for in <i>The Queensland Government Better Regulation Policy</i>, this proposal is minor and machinery in nature (i.e. with no or negligible costs) as it involves no substantive regulatory or policy change with the effect that no further regulatory impact analysis is required.
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