

Impact Analysis Statement

Summary IAS

Details

Lead department	Department of Transport and Main Roads
Name of the proposal	<i>Sunshine Coast Waterways Authority (Consequential Amendments) Regulation 2026</i>
Submission type	Summary IAS
Title of related legislative or regulatory instrument	<i>Coastal Protection and Management Regulation 2017</i> <i>Planning Regulation 2017</i> <i>Industrial Relations Regulation 2018</i> <i>Integrity Regulation 2024</i> <i>Superannuation (State Public Sector) Notice 2021</i> <i>Transport Infrastructure (Waterways Management) Regulation 2012</i> <i>Transport Infrastructure (Public Marine Facilities) Regulation 2023</i> <i>Transport Planning and Coordination Regulation 2017</i>
Date of issue	May 2026

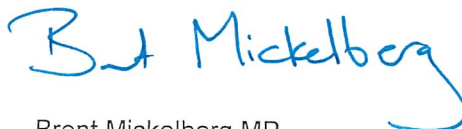
Proposal type	Details
Regulatory proposals where no RIA is required	The proposed <i>Sunshine Coast Waterways Authority (Consequential Amendments) Regulation 2026</i> will amend relevant subordinate legislation to support the functions of the Sunshine Coast Waterways Authority (the SCWA) and make consequential amendments to recognise the new entity and its workforce, as outlined below. The SCWA will be a referral agency for development applications under the <i>Planning Regulation 2017</i> that involve tidal works and certain other works in a coastal management district and will be able to designate a water allocation area for a tidal works application under the <i>Coastal Protection and Management Regulation 2017</i>. The SCWA will be a prescribed agency under the <i>Transport Planning and Coordination Regulation 2017</i>, providing the SCWA access to marine transport information databases. The <i>Transport Infrastructure (Public Marine Facilities) Regulation 2023</i> will be amended to give the SCWA powers to manage public marine facilities within the Sunshine Coast waterways and the Mooloolaba State-managed boat harbour. These powers are currently exercised by the chief executive of the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) and Maritime Safety Queensland (MSQ) staff appointed as authorised officers. The <i>Transport Infrastructure (Waterways Management) Regulation 2012</i> will be amended to define the SCWA, instead of the Chief Executive of TMR, as the administering agency for living aboard and watercraft works approvals in Sunshine Coast regulated waters.

	The following amendments will support the governance of the SCWA: • Declaring the SCWA as a non-national system employer in the <i>Industrial Relations Regulation 2018</i>, so as to obtain an exclusion from the <i>Fair Work Act 2009</i> (Cwlth), allowing the SCWA to operate under Queensland's industrial relations framework. • Listing the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of SCWA as a statutory office holder in Schedule 1 of the <i>Integrity Regulation 2024</i> who is subject to obligations under the <i>Integrity Act 2009</i>. • Amending the <i>Superannuation (State Public Sector) Notice 2021</i> so that the CEO SCWA and staff are eligible for the State superannuation scheme. • Listing the <i>Sunshine Coast Waterways Authority Act 2026</i> (the SCWA Act) as a 'transport Act' under the <i>Transport Planning and Coordination Regulation 2017</i> so that those <i>Transport Planning and Coordination Act 1994</i> provisions about the coordination and strategic planning functions of the chief executive include, and are not limited by, the SCWA Act. As these are existing functions, currently performed by MSQ, they will not add any regulatory burden to individuals or businesses. Further, as this policy relates to the internal management of Government, no regulatory impact analysis is required under <i>The Queensland Government Better Regulation Policy</i>.
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Signed.



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