

Impact Analysis Statement

A Summary Impact Analysis Statement (IAS) must be completed for all regulatory proposals. A Full IAS must also be completed and attached for proposals that have significant impacts. Once completed, the IAS must be published.

Summary IAS

Details

Lead department	Department of Local Government, Water and Volunteers
Name of the proposal	Postponement of expiry for the Water Plan (Warrego, Paroo, Bulloo and Nebine) 2016
Submission type (Summary/AS / Consultation /AS / Decision /AS)	Summary IAS
Title of related legislative or regulatory instrument	Water Plan (Warrego, Paroo, Bulloo and Nebine) (Postponement of Expiry) Notice 2026
Date of issue	28 July 2026

Proposal type	Details
Minor and machinery in nature	The Water Plan (Warrego, Paroo, Bulloo and Nebine) 2016 (water plan) is due to expire on 1 September 2026. A Postponement of Expiry Notice, made under section 55 of the <i>Water Act 2000</i> (Water Act), has extended the expiry date to 31 December 2028. The water plan is subordinate legislation under the Water Act. Extending the expiry date of the water plan until 31 December 2028 will maintain the sustainable management of the region's water resources while a full statutory review of the water plan is completed. This will provide adequate time to complete technical assessments and public consultation required to develop the replacement water plan. Extending the water plan's expiry will also allow time to consider the outcomes of the current reviews of the <i>Basin Plan 2012</i> and Commonwealth <i>Water Act 2007</i> (recommendations expected late 2026 and February 2027 respectively) and any related implications for the replacement water plan. The postponement of the water plan's expiry date involves no substantive regulatory or policy change and is a proposal with no or negligible costs, therefore this proposal is considered minor and machinery in nature under The Queensland Government Better Regulation Policy (2023).

Signed



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Date: 6 July 2026



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28 July 26.
Date: