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# SPECIAL

# Subordinate Legislation Act 1994 NOTICE OF DECISION

Proposed Cemeteries Regulations 2000

I. John Thwaites, Minister for Health, give notice under section 12 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994** that the proposed Cemeteries Regulations 2000 have been the subject of a regulatory impact statement.

Public comments and submissions were invited as required by section 11(1) of the Act and the nine submissions received have been considered as required by section 11(3) of the Act.

I have decided that the proposed Cemeteries Regulations 2000 should be made with amendments.

Dated 6 July 2000.

HON JOHN THWAITES MP Minister for Health

# Subordinate Legislation Act 1994 NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT

Timber Harvesting Regulations 2000

Notice is given in accordance with section 11 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994**, that a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) has been prepared in relation to the Timber Harvesting Regulations 2000.

The reason for and the objective of the proposed Regulations is to regulate the environmental aspects of timber harvesting in the State forests of Victoria through a system for licensing forest operators. The proposed Regulations will promote this objective through a system for licensing forest operators which provides for the allocation of indicator points to facilitate consideration of licence suspension or cancellation. This objective is currently achieved by the Timber Harvesting Regulations 1989. The current Regulations will expire on 14 August 2000.

The RIS provides some possible alternatives to the proposed Regulations including industry self regulation, adding conditions to produce licences and a system of monetary fines. The RIS states that the benefits of the proposed regulations are largely benefits which cannot be delivered in the same measure by these alternatives. The benefits of the proposed Regulations are therefore considered to outweigh the alternatives, as described in the RIS.

Copies of the RIS and the proposed Regulations may be obtained from the Information Centre, Department of Natural Resources and Environment. Ground Floor, 8 Nicholson Street, East Melbourne 3002. Telephone 13 61 86 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. to arrange for a copy of the RIS and the proposed Regulations to be posted to you or view them on the Internet at http://www.nre.vic.gov.au/ris

Public comments are invited on the RIS and accompanying proposed regulations. All comments must be in writing and must be sent to Dr Norma Marshall, Manager, Taxation Reform, Level 13, 8 Nicholson Street, East Melbourne 3002 by no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday 7 August 2000.

Dated 3 July 2000

SHERRYL GARBUTT MP Minister for Environment and Conservation

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