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Subordinate Legislation Act 1994

NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT (RIS)

Domestic (Feral and Nuisance) Animals Regulations 2005

Regulatory Impact Statement

Notice is given that, in accordance with Section 11 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994**, a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) has been prepared for the Domestic (Feral and Nuisance) Animals Regulations 2005.

The objective of these regulations is to replace the Domestic (Feral and Nuisance) Animals Regulations 1996 in accordance with sunset requirements of **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994**. Additionally these new Regulations make provisions in relation to Permanent Identification systems for dogs and cats.

The Regulations are to be made under the **Domestic (Feral and Nuisance) Animals Act 1994.** The proposed Regulations were considered the best means to support existing and new legislation in regard to requirements for declared dogs, standardising the current permanent identification systems, specifying the obedience training scheme and infringement penalties. The RIS discusses possible alternatives to the proposed Regulations. The RIS assesses the costs and benefits of the proposed Regulations are greater than the costs imposed.

Copies of the RIS and the proposed Regulations may be obtained from the Department of Primary Industries' Customer Service Centre by phoning 136 186 (between 8.00 am to 8.00 pm), the Department's Information Centre (Ground Floor, 1 Spring Street, Melbourne between 8.30 am and 5.30 pm) and the internet at http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au/ris.

Public comments are invited on the RIS and the accompanying Regulations. All comments must be in writing and should be sent to Manager Policy and Education, Bureau of Animal Welfare, 475 Mickleham Road, Attwood, Victoria 3049 or emailed to animal.welfare@dpi.vic.gov.au by no later than 5.00 pm on Monday 14 November 2005.

Dated 13 October 2005

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