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NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT UNDER SECTION 11 OF THE **SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION ACT 1994**

Wildlife (Game) Regulations 2012

In accordance with section 11 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994**, I, Peter Walsh, Minister for Agriculture and Food Security, and I, Ryan Smith, Minister for Environment and Climate Change, give notice of the preparation of a regulatory impact statement in relation to the Wildlife (Game) Regulations 2012 (proposed Regulations).

The reason for the proposed Regulations is to manage game hunting in a manner that provides for continued sustainable, humane and safe recreational hunting opportunities, while minimising the impact on non-game species and ensuring the protection of wildlife habitats.

The objectives of the proposed regulations are:

- to provide for the effective management of game species and game hunting in Victoria;
- to make further provision for the procedure for granting and administering game licences;
- to make further provision for open and close seasons and bag limits;
- to regulate methods of hunting;
- to provide for the identification, possession and use of game;
- to make further provision for specified hunting areas.

The regulatory impact statement finds that economic incentives, voluntary codes of practice and education programs, are not as beneficial as the proposed Regulations.

If you wish to comment on the regulatory impact statement and the proposed Regulations, please forward a submission by no later than 5.00 pm on Monday 20 August 2012 to –

Mr Zachary Powell
Game Victoria
Department of Primary Industries
1 Spring Street
Melbourne, Victoria 3000 or email: game.regs@dpi.vic.gov.au

All submissions will be treated as public documents and published on the Department of Primary Industries website.

A copy of the regulatory impact statement and proposed Regulations may be obtained from the Department of Primary Industries by calling the Customer Service Centre on 136 186 or downloading the documents from the website: www.dpi.vic.gov.au/game-hunting

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