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VICTORIA PLANNING PROVISIONS  
Notice of Approval of Amendment  
Amendment VC105

The Minister for Planning has approved Amendment VC105 to the Victoria Planning Provisions (VPP) and all planning schemes in Victoria.

The Amendment comes into operation on the date this notice is published in the Government Gazette.

The Amendment changes the Victoria Planning Provisions and all planning schemes in Victoria by amending:

- Clause 12.01 (Biodiversity) to reflect the new 'no net loss' approach rather than the previous 'net gain' approach;
- Clause 52.16 (Native vegetation precinct plan) to reflect the intent of the native vegetation and biodiversity reform package;
- Clause 52.17 (Native vegetation) to rationalise information requirements, implement the new risk-based assessment pathways, include a simplified approach for applications under a low-risk based pathway and streamline the determination of offset requirements;
- Clause 66.02-2 (Native Vegetation – Referral and Notice Provisions) to require the class of application in the high risk pathway as defined in the document 'Permitted clearing of native vegetation – Biodiversity assessment guidelines' (Department of Environment and Primary Industries, September 2013) be referred to the Secretary to the Department of Environment and Primary Industries as a recommending referral authority; and
- Amending Clause 81.01 (Table of incorporated documents in this scheme) to replace 'Victoria's Native Vegetation – Framework for Action' with a new incorporated document 'Permitted clearing of native vegetation – Biodiversity assessment guidelines' (Department of Environment and Primary Industries, September 2013).

The Amendment also updates outdated references to the Department of Sustainability and Environment to reflect the department's new name, the Department of Environment and Primary Industries in relevant clauses.

The Amendment is available for public inspection on the Department of Transport, Planning and Local Infrastructure (DTPLI) website, [www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/planning/publicinspection](http://www.dpcd.vic.gov.au/planning/publicinspection)

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