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## Wildlife Act 1975

### WILDLIFE (PROHIBITION OF GAME HUNTING) NOTICE

I, Jaala Pulford, Minister for Agriculture and I, Lily D'Ambrosio, Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change, make the following Notice:

JAALA PULFORD MP  
Minister for Agriculture  
Dated 9 March 2018

LILY D'AMBROSIO MP  
Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change  
Dated 13 March 2018

#### 1. Objective

The objective of this Notice is to prohibit absolutely the taking, destroying or hunting in Victoria of indigenous game birds (waterfowl), which would otherwise be permitted during the 2018 open season.

#### 2. Authorising provision

This Notice is made under section 86 of the **Wildlife Act 1975**.

#### 3. Definitions

In this Notice:

**2018 open season** means the open season in 2018 for indigenous game birds (waterfowl) as prescribed by regulation 29 and Part 3 of Schedule 3 of the Wildlife (Game) Regulations 2012, being from the beginning of Saturday 17 March 2018 to 30 minutes after sunset on Monday 11 June 2018;

**indigenous game bird (waterfowl)** means any of the following, being the kinds or taxa of game set out in Part 3 of Schedule 3 of the Wildlife (Game) Regulations 2012:

Pacific Black Duck (*Anas superciliosa*), Australasian (Blue-winged) Shoveler (*Anas rhynchosotis*), Chestnut Teal (*Anas castanea*), Grey Teal (*Anas gracilis*), Hardhead (White-eyed Duck) (*Aythya australis*), Australian Shelduck (Mountain Duck) (*Tadorna tadornoides*), Pink-eared Duck (*Malacorhynchus membranaceus*) and Australian Wood Duck (Maned Duck) (*Chenonetta jubata*);

**motor boat** means a boat which has at least one motor fitted or attached which when operating is capable of propelling the boat and includes any craft known as an 'airboat' or 'hovercraft'

#### 4. Commencement and period notice has effect

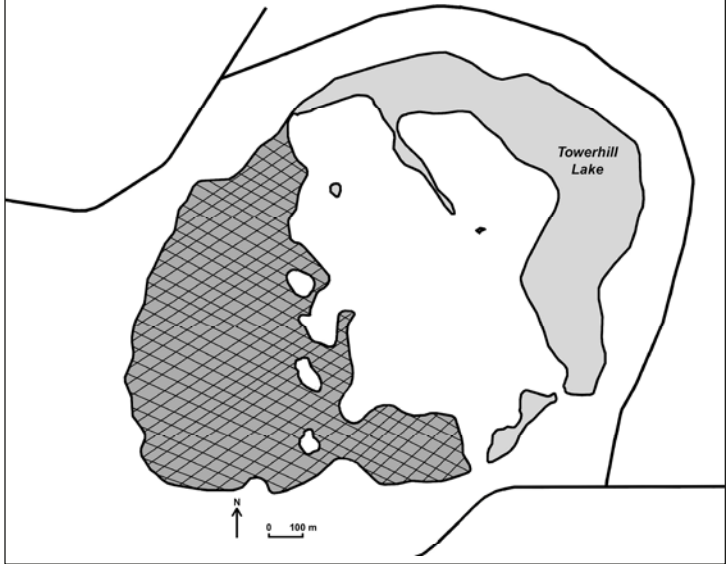
This Notice takes effect from the commencement of the 2018 open season and continues to have effect until the end of the 2018 open season.

#### 5. Prohibition on hunting of specified indigenous game birds (waterfowl)

The taking, destroying or hunting of any specified indigenous game bird (waterfowl) is prohibited during the 2018 open season, in any area described in the table below:

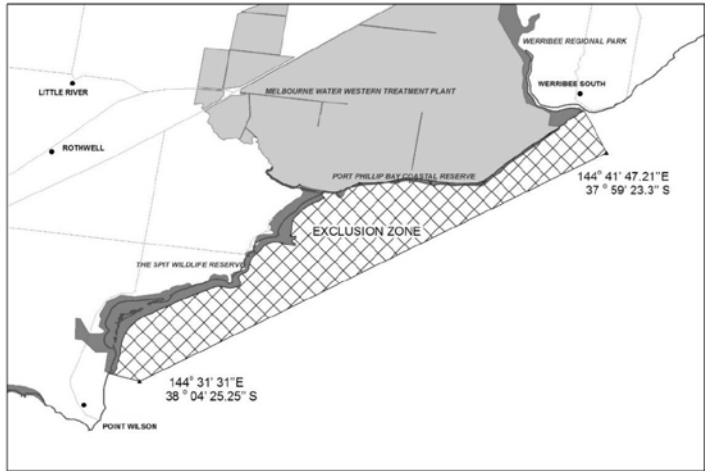
Area Name	Location
Lake Linlithgow	The whole of Lake Linlithgow, 21 km east of Hamilton, located in the Southern Grampians Shire
Koorangie State Game Reserve	The whole of the Koorangie State Game Reserve, 15 km north-west of Kerang. Koorangie State Game Reserve comprises Lake Bael Bael and First, Second and Third Marsh.
Lake Lonsdale	The whole of Lake Lonsdale, 9 km north-west of Stawell, located in the Northern Grampians Shire.

**SPECIAL**

Brown's Lake	The whole of Brown's Lake, 10 km south-east of Donald, bounded by Camerera Road, located in the Shire of Buloke.
Private wetland near Stanhope	All natural wetlands on the private land, 5.7 km south of Stanhope, bounded by Two-tree Road in the North; Gigarre–Rushworth Road in the East; and, Carag Road in the West and South, located in the Shire of Campaspe.
Tower Hill State Game Reserve – West lake	<p>The western lake of Tower Hill State Game Reserve, 13 km north-west of Warrnambool, located in the City of Warrnambool, as shown by the hatching below. The northern point of closure is between 38°18'29.17"S, 142°21'14.38"E and 38°18'38.92"S, 142°21'14.38"E.</p>  <p>The map shows the outline of the Tower Hill State Game Reserve. The western lake is shaded with a cross-hatch pattern, and Towerhill Lake is shaded in solid grey. A north arrow and a scale bar (0 to 100 m) are located at the bottom left of the map area.</p>
Lake Muirhead State Game Reserve	The whole of Lake Muirhead State Game Reserve, 14 km north-west of Wallaura, located in Ararat Rural City.

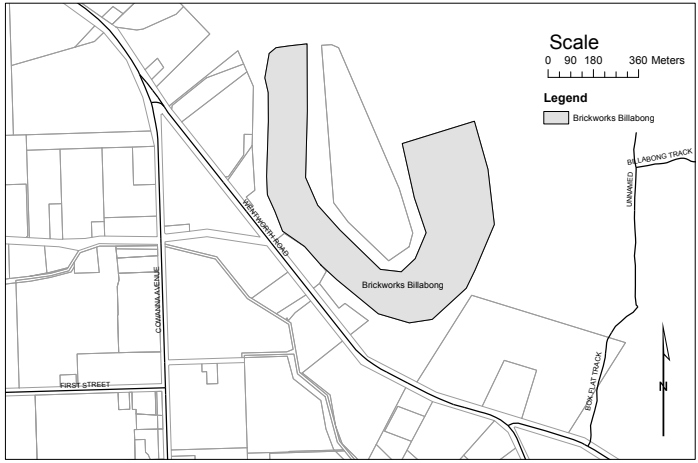
Seaward area adjacent to the Spit Wildlife Reserve and Western Treatment Plant

An exclusion zone within Port Phillip Bay from the southern boundary of the Spit Wildlife Reserve to the Werribee River including the section of Port Phillip Bay Coastal Reserve that abuts the Western Treatment Plant, as shown by the hatching and GPS coordinates.



Brickworks Billabong – Merbein Common

The whole of the Brickworks Billabong contained in Crown Allotment 2052 in the Parish Merbein, located in Mildura Rural City (2.4 km north-west of Merbein).



Kow Swamp	Located in the Shire of Campaspe, near Gunbower. The area includes all of Kow Swamp up to the Taylors Creek outflow regulator (144°19'01"E, 35°57'05"S), the Box Bridge regulator (144°15'50"E, 35°55'52"S), and south to the bridge on the Picanniny Creek (144°16'44"E, 35°59'34"S).
Reedy Lakes	Located in the Shire of Gannawarra, near Kerang. The area includes all of First, Second (Middle) and Third Reedy Lakes. The western boundary is defined by Flood Lane (starting from 143°51'41"E, 35°37'59"S) south to the Murray Valley Highway (143°51'20"E, 35°39'32"S) and the Murray Valley Highway to the intersection of Apex Park Road (143°52'39"E, 35°41'22"S). The southern boundary being Apex Road.

**6. Prohibition on hunting of specified indigenous game birds (waterfowl) by motor boat**

The taking, destroying or hunting of any specified indigenous game bird (waterfowl) from a motor boat is prohibited during the 2018 open season, in any area described in the table below:

Area Name	Location
Lake Bolac	The whole of Lake Bolac, south-east of the township of Lake Bolac, located in Ararat Rural City.

**7. Prohibition on hunting of specified indigenous game birds (waterfowl) over opening weekend of duck season**

The taking, destroying or hunting of any specified indigenous game bird (waterfowl) is prohibited from the beginning of Saturday 17 March 2018 to 30 minutes after sunset on Sunday 18 March 2018, in any area described in the table below:

Area Name	Location
Lake Martin	The whole of Lake Martin, 3.5 km south-west of Cressy, located in Corangamite Shire.
Hird Swamp State Game Reserve – Western area	All areas of Hird Swamp State Game Reserve west of the track on the western side of Pyramid Creek that runs through Hird Swamp, 11 km south-west of Cohuna, located in Gannawarra Shire.

**8. Contravention of Notice**

A person must not contravene any part of this Notice.

Penalty: 25 penalty units.

Note: Under section 86(3) of the **Wildlife Act 1975** this notice prevails over any inconsistent regulation made under the **Wildlife Act 1975** or any licence, permit or other authority to take, destroy or hunt any particular kind of taxon of wildlife issued under the **Wildlife Act 1975**.

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