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NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT (RIS)

Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2007

Notice is given that, in accordance with section 11 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994**, a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) has been prepared in relation to the Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2007.

The objectives of the proposed Regulations are to:

- specify the circumstances in which a cultural heritage management plan is required for an activity or class of activity;
- prescribe standards for the preparation of a cultural heritage management plan including the carrying out of assessments;
- prescribe standards for the preparation of a map included in a cultural heritage agreement;
- prescribe fees for evaluating a cultural heritage management plan;
- prescribe fees for an application for a cultural heritage permit; and
- prescribe fees for an application to the Secretary for advice as to whether a record exists on the Register in relation to a nominated area of land.

The Regulations are intended to improve procedures for the protection and management of Aboriginal cultural heritage in Victoria.

The RIS examines the costs and benefits of the proposed Regulations and assesses alternatives to the proposed Regulations. The RIS concludes that the proposed regulations are the best way of achieving the objectives outlined above and that none of the alternatives provides a practicable means of achieving all of the proposed Regulation's objectives.

Public submissions on the proposed Regulations and the RIS are invited.

All comments must be in writing and must be received by 5.00 pm on 18 May 2007 and forwarded to Ms Emma Williams, Business Support Officer, Aboriginal Affairs Victoria, GPO Box 2392, Melbourne, Vic. 3001, Tel: (03) 9208 3286, Fax (03) 9208 3292, Email: emma.williams@dvc.vic.gov.au

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