

**ACT GOVERNMENT  
PLANNING AND LAND MANAGEMENT GROUP**

**DRAFT VARIATION NO.98 TO THE TERRITORY PLAN  
WATER CATCHMENT POLICIES**

A draft Variation to the Territory Plan, for Water Use and Catchment Policies, has been prepared by the Planning and Land Management Group (PALM) of the Department of Urban Services (incorporating the functions of the ACT Planning Authority).

The draft Variation proposes to amend the Schedules at Part C2 of the Water Use and Catchment Policies to allow for:

- inclusion of new ponds in the Schedules,
- updating of the purposes for which water may be used and the prescribed environmental values to bring the categories into line with the more detailed purposes in the ACT Water Quality Guidelines,
- abstraction of water from urban streams to provide a second class water supply, and
- several corrections of a minor nature

This draft Variation, provided it is not deferred, has interim effect until 25 June 1999, or for the "defined period", whichever is the shorter. The "defined period" commences on Friday 26 June 1998 and continues until the draft Variation, or the corresponding Plan Variation:

comes into effect, or

is rejected by the Legislative Assembly, or

. is withdrawn.

While the draft Variation has interim effect the Territory, the Executive, a Minister or a Territory Authority shall not do, or approve, any act which would be inconsistent with the Territory Plan, or the Plan if it was varied in accordance with this draft Variation.

Section 11 of the *Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991* (the Land Act), concerning the Heritage Places Register, does not apply to this draft Variation.

From Monday 29 June 1998 until Monday 10 August 1998, copies of the draft Variation to the Territory Plan may be:

- inspected at ACT Government Libraries at Belconnen, Civic, Dickson, Erindale, Griffith, Kippax, Tuggeranong and Woden during normal opening hours,
- inspected at, or obtained from, the PALM Shopfront at Dame Pattie Menzies House, 16 Challis Street, Dickson, during normal office hours, and
- inspected on the PALM Website at <http://www.palm.act.gov.au>

Written comments on the draft Variation should be submitted by **Monday 10 August 1998**, to:

**The Executive Director  
Planning and Land Management Group  
Department of Urban Services  
GPO Box 1908  
CANBERRA ACT 2601  
Attention: Mr P Harris.**

Comments can also be sent via Email to: **[terrplan@dpa.act.gov.au](mailto:terrplan@dpa.act.gov.au)**

Copies of all written comments received in response to this draft Variation, including those from the National Capital Authority (NCA), will be made available for public inspection during normal office hours, from Tuesday 11 August 1998 until Tuesday 1 September 1998, at the PALM Shopfront in Dame Pattie Menzies House, 16 Challis Street, Dickson. Any comments received from the NCA after 10 August 1998 will be available for perusal for 21 days from the date of receipt.