

Nature Conservation (Closed Reserves—Mulligans Flat and Goorooyarroo Nature Reserves) Declaration 2023 (No 1)

Notifiable instrument NI2023–248

made under the

Nature Conservation Act 2014, s 259 (Conservator may close reserve)

1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the *Nature Conservation (Closed Reserves—Mulligans Flat and Goorooyarroo Nature Reserves) Declaration 2023 (No 1)*.

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on 9 May 2023.

3 Declaration

I declare that public access to Mulligans Flat Nature Reserve and Goorooyarroo Nature Reserve (the ***closed reserves***) is prohibited during the closure times mentioned in schedule 1.

4 Exceptions

- (1) Section 3 does not apply to:
 - (a) a conservation officer exercising a function under the Act; or
 - (b) a person accompanied by a conservation officer exercising a function under the Act.
- (2) The Mulligans Flat Sanctuary Manager or the Manager, Invasive Animals and Over-Abundant Wildlife, in the Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate may provide written notice to the Capital Woodland and Wetland Conservation Association (the ***association***) advising of times and dates when it is safe to access the closed reserves (***association safe periods***).
- (3) The Mulligans Flat Sanctuary Manager or the Manager, Invasive Animals and Over-Abundant Wildlife, may provide written notice to a scientific researcher:
 - (a) advising of times and dates when it is safe to enter the closed reserves (***researcher safe periods***); and

- (b) providing permission for that researcher to access the closed reserves during the researcher safe periods only.
- (4) Whenever providing written notice under subsections (2) or (3), the Mulligans Flat Sanctuary Manager and the Manager, Invasive Animals and Over-Abundant Wildlife, must provide a copy of the written notice to each other.
- (5) During association safe periods, section 3 does not apply to:
 - (a) an employee of the association while exercising the functions of their employment; or
 - (b) a person participating in a tour of the reserve organised by the association and supervised by an employee of the association.
- (6) During researcher safe periods, section 3 does not apply to a scientific researcher who:
 - (a) is conducting research within the closed reserves that, but for this declaration, would be permitted to be conducted in the closed reserves; and
 - (b) has received written notice under subsection (3).

5 Expiry

This instrument expires on 30 June 2023.

Bren Burkevics
Conservator of Flora and Fauna
7 May 2023

Schedule 1 Closure times

(see s 3)

Times when public access is prohibited
Beginning at 8:00 pm every Tuesday and Thursday and ending on the following day at 3:00 am.