Water Resources (Draft Environmental Flow Guidelines) Consultation Notice 2025

Notifiable instrument NI2025-572

made under the

Water Resources Act 2007, s 14 (Environmental flow guidelines—consultation)

1 Name of instrument

This instrument is the *Water Resources (Draft Environmental Flow Guidelines) Consultation Notice 2025.*

2 Commencement

This instrument commences on the day after its notification day.

3 Description of draft guidelines

- (1) The draft *Water Resources Environmental Flow Guidelines 2025* (the *draft guidelines*) set out the environmental flow requirements needed to maintain aquatic ecosystems in the ACT.
- (2) The updates in the draft guidelines reflect the outcomes of the 2023 review of the *Water Resources Environmental Flow Guidelines 2019 (No 2)* (DI2019-190).

4 Draft guidelines available for public inspection

- (1) The draft guidelines are available for public inspection on the City and Environment Directorate website at www.act.gov.au/environment/water/office-of-water.
- (2) The draft guidelines are available for public inspection for the period commencing 24 October 2025 and ending on 22 December 2025 (the *consultation period*).

Note The consultation period must be at least 60 days (see the Act, s 14 (2)).

5 Invitation to give written comments during consultation period

- (1) Written comments should be addressed to the Director-General of the City and Environment Directorate and sent c/o Office of Water by:
 - (a) email to OfficeofWater@act.gov.au; or

(b) mail to:

Office of Water City and Environment Directorate GPO Box 158 Canberra ACT 2601; or

(c) Hand delivered to:

Attn: Office of Water Ground Floor 480 Northbourne Ave Dickson ACT 2602.

(2) Written comments may only be given during the consultation period.

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21 October 2025