

Impact Analysis Statement

Summary IAS

Details

Lead department	Department of Environment and Science
Name of the proposal	Nature Conservation and Other Legislation Amendment Regulation (No. 2) 2023
Submission type (Summary IAS / Consultation IAS / Decision IAS)	Summary IAS
Title of related legislative or regulatory instrument	Environmental Offsets Regulation 2014 Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020 Nature Conservation (Plants) Regulation 2020
Date of issue	October 2023

Proposal type	Details
Minor and machinery in nature	The purpose of this regulatory proposal is to update the conservation status of protected wildlife and provide other minor consequential and clarification amendments. This proposal is minor and machinery in nature and has zero/negligible regulatory costs and does not result in a substantive change to regulatory policy or new impacts on business, government, or the community.
	The proposed regulatory amendments consist of:
	The reclassification of protected wildlife listed under the Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020 and the Nature Conservation (Plants) Regulation 2020, which is a routine process to ensure species classifications are kept up to date with current scientific knowledge, including population size, trends, and risk of extinction.
	 Taxonomic updates to protected plants listed under the Nature Conservation (Plants) Regulation 2020 to achieve consistency with scientific nomenclature.
	 Consequential amendments to update the Queensland Environmental Offsets Policy (the Policy) to reflect classification changes to protected animals. Consequently, the Environmental Offsets Regulation 2014 requires amending to refer to the new version of the Policy.
	 Minor amendments to sections 25, 26, 27, 55, 56, and 58 of the Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020 to clarify existing provisions relating to particular entities dealing with animals, requirements for dealing with sick, injured, and orphaned animals and authorisations for veterinarians. The proposed amendments are technical corrections for clarification, consistent with legislative intent.
	 Minor, administrative amendments to the Nature Conservation (Plants) Regulation 2020 to update the title of the reference source that is used for the scientific names of plants mentioned under the regulation.



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