



# Impact Analysis Statement

## Summary IAS

### Details

<b>Lead department</b>	Department of Environment, Science and Innovation
<b>Name of the proposal</b>	Nature Conservation (Protected Areas) (Omission of Lawn Hill (Creek) Resources Reserve) Amendment Regulation 2024
<b>Submission type</b>	Summary IAS
<b>Title of related legislative or regulatory instrument</b>	<i>Nature Conservation Act 1992</i> <i>Nature Conservation (Protected Areas) Regulation 1994</i>
<b>Date of issue</b>	20 November 2023

Proposal type	Details
<b>Minor and machinery in nature</b>	<p>This proposal is machinery in nature and will amend Schedule 3A of the Nature Conservation (Protected Areas) Regulation 1994.</p> <p>It is the Department's view that the Lawn Hill (Creek) Resources Reserve was not validly made as there is no evidence that the previous tenure of Reserve for Departmental and Official (Natural Resources) Purposes under the <i>Land Act 1962</i> was revoked. Given this, dedication of the resources reserve under the Nature Conservation Act in 1994 is invalid.</p> <p>Implementing the Amendment Regulation will correct this error on the land title register and accurately reflect the protected area estate. The proposal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• will not impact on any registered mining interests and is supported by the Department of Resources;</li> <li>• is supported by an agreed Indigenous Land Use Agreement between the State and the Waanyi PBC;</li> <li>• will have no impact on the neighbouring Boodjamulla National Park (Aboriginal Land).</li> </ul> <p>Accordingly, the proposal is minor and machinery in nature as it rectifies an invalid dedication and does not result in a substantive change to regulatory policy or new impacts on business, government, or the community.</p>

\*Refer to *The Queensland Government Better Regulation Policy* for regulatory proposals not requiring regulatory impact analysis (for example, public sector management, changes to existing criminal laws, taxation).

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