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WILDLIFE (PROHIBITION OF GAME HUNTING) NOTICE

I, Jaclyn Symes, Minister for Agriculture and I, Lily D'Ambrosio, Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change, make the following Notice:

Dated 6 March 2019
JACLYN SYMES MP
Minister for Agriculture

Dated 7 March 2019
LILY D'AMBROSIO MP
Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change

1. Objective

The objective of this Notice is to prohibit absolutely the taking, destroying or hunting in Victoria of specified indigenous game birds (waterfowl) and otherwise regulate and control the taking, destroying of indigenous game birds (waterfowl), which would otherwise be permitted during the 2019 open season.

2. Authorising provision

This Notice is made under section 86 of the **Wildlife Act 1975**.

3. Definitions

In this Notice:

2019 open season means the open season in 2019 for indigenous game birds (waterfowl) as prescribed by regulation 29 and Part 3 of Schedule 3 of the Wildlife (Game) Regulations 2012, being from the beginning of Saturday 16 March 2019 to 30 minutes after sunset on Monday 10 June 2019;

indigenous game bird (waterfowl) means any of the following, being the kinds or taxa of game set out in Part 3 of Schedule 3 of the Wildlife (Game) Regulations 2012:

- Pacific Black Duck (*Anas superciliosa*);
- Australasian (Blue-winged) Shoveler (*Anas rhynchos*);
- Chestnut Teal (*Anas castanea*);
- Grey Teal (*Anas gracilis*);
- Hardhead (White-eyed Duck) (*Aythya australis*);
- Australian Shelduck (Mountain Duck) (*Tadorna tadornoides*);
- Pink-eared Duck (*Malacorhynchus membranaceus*); and
- Australian Wood Duck (Maned Duck) (*Chenonetta jubata*).

motor boat means a boat which has at least one motor fitted or attached which when operating is capable of propelling the boat and includes any craft known as an 'airboat' or 'hovercraft' as defined in Regulation 5 of the Wildlife (Game) Regulations 2012.

4. Commencement and period notice has effect

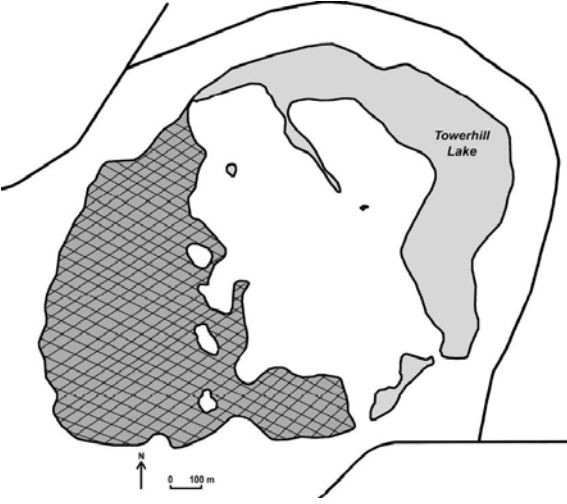
This Notice takes effect from the commencement of the 2019 open season and continues to have effect until the end of the 2019 open season.

5. Prohibition on hunting of indigenous game birds (waterfowl)

The taking, destroying or hunting of any indigenous game bird (waterfowl) is prohibited during the 2019 open season, in any area described in the table below:

Area Name	Location
Lake Lonsdale	The whole of Lake Lonsdale, 9 km north-west of Stawell, located in the Northern Grampians Shire Council.
Round Lake, part of Lake Cope Cope State Game Reserve	Located in Northern Grampians Shire. The area of Cope Cope State Game Reserve known as Round Lake located at 36°26'55.03"S, 143°04'27.36"E.

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Lake Murphy State Game Reserve	The whole of Lake Murphy State Game Reserve, 8 km south-west of Kerang, located in the Gannawarra Shire Council.
Round Lake (near Lake Boga)	The whole of Round Lake in the city of Lake Boga located in the Shire of Swan Hill Rural City Council.
Hospital Swamps and part of Lake Connewarre, Lake Connewarre State Game Reserve	Located in the City of Greater Geelong. The areas known as Hospital Swamps and part of Lake Connewarre within the Lake Connewarre State Game Reserve and the Sparrowvale Farm (private land). The area is separated from Reedy Swamp to the north by the southern shoreline of the Barwon River to where it intersects due north of Tait Point, Lake Connewarre. The area is bounded by the southern boundary of the reserve; and, on the western side, the western reserve boundary until it meets and extends north along Sparrowvale Levy Bank until it meets the reserve boundary.
Tower Hill State Game Reserve – West lake	<p>The western lake of Tower Hill State Game Reserve, 13 km north-west of Warrnambool, located in the Warrnambool City Council, as shown by the hatching below. The northern point of closure is between 38°18'29.17"S, 142°21'14.38"E and 38°18'38.92"S, 142°21'14.38"E.</p> 
Kow Swamp	Located in the Campaspe Shire Council, near Gunbower. The area includes all of Kow Swamp up to the Taylors Creek outflow regulator (144°19'01"E, 35°57'05"S), the Box Bridge regulator (144°15'50"E, 35°55'52"S), and south to the bridge on the Picanniny Creek (144°16'44"E, 35°59'34"S).
Reedy Lakes	Located in the Gannawarra Shire Council, near Kerang. The area includes all of First, Second (Middle) and Third Reedy Lakes. The western boundary is defined by Flood Lane (starting from 143°51'41"E, 35°37'59"S) south to the Murray Valley Highway (143°51'20"E, 35°39'32"S) and the Murray Valley Highway to the intersection of Apex Park Road (143°52'39"E, 35°41'22"S). The southern boundary being Apex Road.

6. Prohibition on hunting of indigenous game birds (waterfowl) over opening weekend of duck season

The taking, destroying or hunting of any indigenous game bird (waterfowl) is prohibited from the beginning of Saturday 16 March 2019 to 30 minutes after sunset on Sunday 17 March 2019, in any area described in the table below:

Area Name	Location
Lake Linlithgow	The whole of Lake Linlithgow, 21 km east of Hamilton, located in the Southern Grampians Shire.

7. Prohibition on hunting of indigenous game birds (waterfowl) by boat

The taking, destroying or hunting of any indigenous game bird (waterfowl) from a motor boat or a boat that is not a motor boat is prohibited during the 2019 open season, in any area described in the table below:

Area Name	Location
Lake Bolac	The whole of Lake Bolac, south-east of the township of Lake Bolac, located in Ararat Rural City.
Pine Lake	The whole of Pine Lake, 12 km south-east of Horsham, located in the Horsham Rural City Council.

The taking, destroying or hunting of any indigenous game bird (waterfowl) from a motor boat or a boat that is not a motor boat is prohibited, except in the circumstances specified in clause 8, from the beginning of Monday 18 March 2019 to 30 minutes after sunset on Monday 10 June 2019, in any area described in the table below:

Area Name	Location
Lake Linlithgow	The whole of Lake Linlithgow, 21 km east of Hamilton, located in the Southern Grampians Shire.

Nothing in this clause 7 prevents a person from using a boat that is not a motor boat to recover a downed indigenous game bird in accordance with Regulation 51A.

8. Taking, hunting or destroying downed indigenous game birds from a boat that is not a motor boat

The prohibition in clause 7 does not apply where a person has downed an indigenous game bird and that bird remains alive immediately after being downed. In these circumstances, a person may take, hunt or destroy that downed indigenous game bird, including by shooting, from a boat that is not a motor boat.

9. Contravention of Notice

A person must not contravene any part of this Notice.

Penalty: 25 penalty units.

Note: Under section 86(3) of the **Wildlife Act 1975** this notice prevails over any inconsistent regulation made under the **Wildlife Act 1975** or any licence, permit or other authority to take, destroy or hunt any particular kind of taxon of wildlife issued under the **Wildlife Act 1975**.

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