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## Subordinate Legislation Act 1994

### PROPOSED MINERAL RESOURCES (SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT) (MINERAL INDUSTRIES) REGULATIONS 2019

#### Notice of Preparation of Regulatory Impact Statement

Notice is given in accordance with section 11 of the **Subordinate Legislation Act 1994** that a Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS) has been prepared in relation to the proposed Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) (Mineral Industries) Regulations 2019 (the proposed Regulations).

#### Objectives

The proposed Regulations further the objectives of the **Mineral Resource (Sustainable Development) Act 1990** (the Act) to encourage mineral exploration and economically viable mining in a way that is compatible with the economic, social and environmental objectives of the State.

The proposed Regulations :

- prescribe procedures, details, royalties, fees, forms, rents, information required in documents and other matters authorised by the Act;
- prescribe certain offences as infringement offences;
- set out requirements relating to declared mines; and
- set out requirements relating to disclosure of interests.

The regulations are necessary because the Act requires that certain matters, forms and procedures be specified in them to enable compliance with the Act. The proposed Regulations are made under section 124 of the Act. In addition to the regulation making power in section 124 of the Act, the Act contains numerous other provisions that require certain matters to be set out in the regulations.

The proposed Regulations will largely remake the existing Regulations, with a number of improvements to streamline and modernise the regulations and set clearer work plan and rehabilitation plan requirements to better manage risks associated with mining and minerals exploration.

The RIS examines the costs and benefits of the proposed Regulations and possible alternatives and concludes that the proposed Regulations are the most efficient method of achieving the objectives mentioned above.

#### Submissions

Public comment is invited on the proposed Regulations and RIS.

Please note that all comments and submissions received will be treated as public documents.

Comments and submissions should be received by the Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions no later than 5.00 pm, 23 April 2019.

The Engage Victoria website is the preferred method for receiving submissions, and can be found at: <https://engage.vic.gov.au/mineralindustries>

Submissions can also be received by post, marked 'Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) (Mineral Industries) Regulations 2019' and addressed to:

Director, Policy and Legislation  
Earth Resources Policy and Programs  
Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions  
GPO Box 4509  
Melbourne, Victoria 3001

Copies of the RIS and proposed Regulations can be obtained from the Engage Victoria website at <https://engage.vic.gov.au/mineralindustries>

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