

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY

Gungahlin Drive Extension Authorisation Act 2004

**GUNG AHLIN DRIVE EXTENSION AUTHORISATION TO
GRANT LICENCE (FOR THE NATURE
CONSERVATION ACT 1980, SECTION 24) 2004 (NO 2)**

Disallowable Instrument DI2004-102

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Overview

Various licences, a consent and an authority are required under the Nature Conservation Act 1980 for the Gungahlin Drive Extension project (GDE).

Section 9 of the Gungahlin Drive Extension Authorisation Bill 2004 relates to Future authorisations relating to the GDE, and states that the Minister may, in the Minister's absolute discretion and in writing, give any authorisation in relation to the GDE. Authorisation is defined as an approval, licence, permit or consent required or allowed to be given under a relevant law. The Nature Conservation Act 1980 is included in the list of relevant laws. Such authorisations are a notifiable instrument.

The licence is required to allow the Contractor to interfere with the nest of a native animal as part of the construction of the GDE and applies to those sections of the GDE outside the area of public land reserved for nature reserve.