Nature Conservation (Fees) Determination 2023

Disallowable instrument DI2023-120

made under the

Nature Conservation Act 2014, s 368 (Determination of fees etc)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

Section 368 of the *Nature Conservation Act 2014* (the *Act*) permits the Minister to determine fees for the purposes of the Act.

The purpose of this instrument is to determine the fees for licences and entry fees under the Act for the 2023-24 financial year.

Fees in the determination have been increased by 3.75% for the 2023-24 financial year based on the wage price index as per government's advice.

This instrument waives fees for holders of an annual pass for entry to Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve that expires in 2023 and 2024 for a period of 6 months following the expiry of their pass. This is to account for the period when all day pass fees have been waived due to the closure of the Tidbinbilla Visitor Centre.

The instrument continues the waiver on daily entry fees to the Tidbinbilla Nature Reserve on Australia Day, Reconciliation Day and Tidbinbilla Open Day.

The instrument commences on 1 July 2023.

This instrument revokes the *Nature Conservation (Fees) Determination* 2022 (DI2022-125).

A determination made under section 368 of the Act is a disallowable instrument and must be presented to the Legislative Assembly within 6 sitting days after its notification pursuant to section 64 of the *Legislation Act 2001*.

Regulatory Impact Statement (RIS)

A RIS is not required for this fee determination due to section 36 (1) (k) of the Legislation Act, which provides that a RIS need not be prepared for an amendment of a fee consistent with announced government policy.

Human rights

No human rights are impacted by this instrument.