

### **AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY**

## **DEPARTMENT OF URBAN SERVICES**

## APPROVAL OF PLANS OF MANAGEMENT

## **INSTRUMENT NO. 242 OF 1998**

# EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

The Land (Planning and Environment) Act 1991 (the Act) is an Act relating to the use of land in the Territory, and for related purposes.

Part V, Division 5 of the Act contains provisions relating to **public land**, within the meaning of the Act. Public land may be reserved by the Territory Plan for various purposes and the *Conservator of Flora and Fauna* must prepare a Plan of Management under the Act for an area of land so reserved.

This instrument refers to final versions of Plans of Management prepared under the Act for public land reserved for the purposes of urban open space in Belconnen and Woden/Weston Creek.

Most of this land is urban parkland or sportsgrounds. The Plans of Management identify various categories of open space within this system and describe the range and level of management services to be applied to each category.

The Plans have been prepared in accordance with the statutory procedures under the Act, which includes release of draft plans for public comment, submission of a report to the Minister on the issues raised in public comment, and referral of final drafts to an appropriate committee of the Legislative Assembly.

A Plan of Management as approved by the Minister under the Act is required to be notified in the Gazette and tabled in the Assembly as a disallowable instrument. It is subject to amendment or disallowance for a period of 5 sitting days after it is laid before the Assembly. Unless disallowed, it then takes effect as subordinate legislation.