

Explanation of intended effect

Proposed State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) Amendment (Shooting Ranges) 2016

The following information is provided as an explanation of the intended effect under section 38 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* of the draft *State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure) Amendment (Shooting Ranges) 2016* (the 'proposed SEPP').

The proposed SEPP will amend *State Environmental Planning Policy (Infrastructure)* 2007 ('Infrastructure SEPP') to introduce the following clauses:

- a) make shooting ranges permitted with consent, where there is an existing lawful shooting range so that those facilities remain wholly permitted (despite how the land is zoned in the relevant local environmental plan); and
- b) permit range danger areas with consent on land adjacent to an existing lawful shooting range, if the adjacent land is zoned RU1 Primary Production, RU2 Rural Landscape,RU3 Forestry, RU4 Primary Production Small Lots, RE1 Public Recreation, RE2 Private Recreation, E2 Environmental Conservation or E3 Environmental Management (or an equivalent land use zone).

These proposed SEPP amendments are intended to overcome difficulties faced by operators of existing shooting range facilities following the making of Standard Instrument LEPs that would otherwise introduce prohibitions and other development controls that prevent the reasonable operation and modification of these facilities.

The proposed SEPP allows expansion of the range danger area only onto land adjoining an existing shooting range in specified zones and not the expansion of the active or live parts of a shooting range.