

Integrating environment protection reform into land use planning

Other proposed updates to the Victorian Planning Provisions.

In addition to the proposed changes to specific VPP clauses included in this consultation process, administrative changes throughout the VPPs will also be made to update references to and align with the *Environment Protection Act 2017* (as amended by the *Environment Protection Amendment Act 2018*) and new subordinate instruments proposed to apply from 1 July 2020, e.g. Environment Reference Standard.

These changes and corrections are necessary to:

- replace references to State Environment Protection Policies (SEPPs), that will cease to exist from 1 July 2020, with references to new subordinate instruments;
- update references to EPA licences and Works Approvals to reflect the EPA permissioning framework under the new Environment Protection Act;
- update references to EPA publications, including Best Practice Environmental Management Guidelines, where appropriate; and
- reflect the importance of consideration of ‘environment, amenity and human health’ consistent with Ministerial Direction 19, approved in October 2018.

These administrative changes are being developed in conjunction with the finalisation of the new subordinate instruments. A detailed list of all changes will be included for approval in the final amendment package.

For more information:

- [Environment Protection Amendment Act 2018](#)
- [Proposed regulations and environment reference standards](#)