

Coorong National Park

Management Plan Amendment 2020



Minister's foreword

The Coorong National Park helps to conserve a unique wetland system and protects one of Australia's most iconic landscapes. It is also an important tourist attraction and has been enjoyed by the owners of shack leases for many years.

In December 2019, the Department for Environment and Water sought the community's views about proposed changes to the management of shack leases within the park through the release of a draft amendment to the *Coorong National Park Management Plan 1990*.

All submissions received on the draft amendment have been considered and have assisted in the development of this final amendment. I thank all those that made a submission.

I am now pleased to adopt the Coorong National Park Management Plan Amendment 2020.

David Speirs MP

Minister for Environment and Water

Managing shack site leases

Coorong National Park contains 62 shack sites that have been leased and enjoyed by families for decades.

Prior to the adoption of this amendment to the park management plan, there was a life-tenure limit on shack leases within this park.

These amendments will enable Government to consider offering longer term renewable leases for shack sites within the park.

Eligibility for a longer term renewable lease will be subject to lessees meeting certain conditions including making any necessary upgrades to shacks in order to conform to relevant standards.

Consistent with park usage, lessees and shack visitors will be required to abide by park regulations in place to ensure the protection of park values.

Current text	Amendment
Section 5.1.5 Cultural Resources Management; Management Action 7 (page 19)	
The policy relating to shacks will be based on the following principles: a. life tenure will be granted to existing lease holders under a new lease arrangement, b. a condition of any lease will be the removal of the shack when the lease lapses, c. site rental will be determined and reviewed by the Valuer-General.	Previous text is now replaced with: All shack sites within the park will be managed under lease with conditions to protect park values and ensure shacks conform to relevant standards.
Section 5.1.5 Cultural Resources Management; Management Action 8 (page 19)	
Before any shacks are removed a survey will be made of structures that may have heritage value. Such structures may be retained for historical interpretation purposes, leased as holiday accommodation or made available for short term community purposes.	Previous text is now deleted.
Section 6 Plan Implementation and Priorities; Cultural Resource Management – Plan Ref 5.1.5, dot point four (page 41)	
Issue new leases for shacks.	Previous text is now replaced with: • Ensure all shack sites within the park are managed under lease with conditions.

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