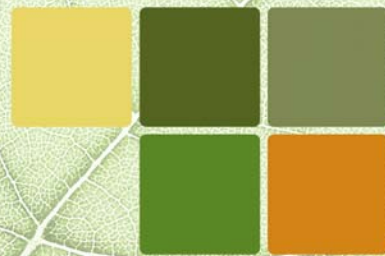


Progress on the Review of the Native Vegetation Regulation



Edition 3: 8 December 2011

First stage of consultation complete

The first stage of public consultation for the review of the native vegetation regulation is complete. A series of 12 information sessions were held across the state in November.

Thank you to the more than 200 people who attended the sessions. Your input provided valuable information for the review.

Responses from community members at each meeting were recorded. Links to the meeting notes are available on the [OEH website](#) as they become available from the Catchment Management Authority.

Next steps

A proposal for changes to the regulation is now being developed. The feedback from all stakeholders, including farmers, foresters and conservationists, is being carefully considered. Those issues raised that are outside of the scope of the regulation are being collated and will be presented to the Government for consideration.

The proposals will be released for public review and comment early in 2012. The public consultation period will run for ten weeks. A second series of information sessions will be held during this time. These sessions will explain the proposed changes and give the community the opportunity to influence the outcome by asking questions and providing further advice and feedback.

The public consultation and information sessions are your chance to influence the outcomes of this review. Opportunities for input will be widely publicised in local and national newspapers, on local radio and on the OEH website. Those who have registered their interest in the review with native.vegetation@environment.nsw.gov.au will be notified directly.

Native vegetation survey

A survey about your experiences with the way government regulates native vegetation is underway. Over 150 people have completed the survey so far providing valuable input to inform the review. The survey is open until 30 March 2012.

The survey can be completed online at:

www.environment.nsw.gov.au/vegetation/ReviewofNVRegulations.htm.

If you would prefer to complete the survey on paper you can request a hard-copy by calling 131 555 or downloaded a printable version from the website above.

Did you know ...

Did you know you can clear native vegetation for fire breaks without approval? Your local [Catchment Management Authority](#) can tell you the buffer distances allowed for your infrastructure.