#### NORTHERN TERRITORY OF AUSTRALIA

# TERRITORY PARKS AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AMENDMENT ACT 2009

#### Act No. 6 of 2009

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An Act to amend the Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act

[Assented to 12 March 2009] [Second reading 27 November 2008]

#### The Legislative Assembly of the Northern Territory enacts as follows:

#### 1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Amendment Act 2009.* 

#### 2 Commencement

This Act commences on the date fixed by the Administrator by *Gazette* notice.

#### 3 Act amended

This Act amends the Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act.

#### 4 Amendment of section 22 (Interpretation)

(1) Section 22(1), definition *ALRA* 

omit

(2) Section 22(1)

insert (in alphabetical order)

**ALRA** means the Aboriginal Land Rights (Northern Territory) Act 1976 (Cth).

*indigenous land use agreement*, see section 253 of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth).

*Land Trust* means an Aboriginal Land Trust established under ALRA or a Park Land Trust established under the Framework Act.

## 5 Amendment of section 23A (Minister may execute joint management agreement)

(1) Section 23A(1)

omit

agreement for a park or reserve.

substitute

agreement:

- (a) for a park or reserve; or
- (b) for a park or reserve and an area of land adjoining the park or reserve.
- (2) Section 23A(2), after "park or reserve"

insert

, and any adjoining area of land to which the agreement relates,

#### 6 Repeal and substitution of section 24

Section 24

repeal, substitute

#### 24 Minister may redeclare parks and reserves

- This section applies to an area of land (a *relevant area*) declared to be a park or reserve by a section 12 declaration.
- (2) If the park or reserve for a relevant area is a scheduled park or reserve, the Minister may, by a single *Gazette* notice:
  - (a) revoke the declaration, or purported declaration, for the relevant area; and

- (b) declare the relevant area to be a park or reserve, provided that:
  - (i) any part of the relevant area to be used for any of the following purposes may be excluded from the declaration:
    - (A) public road or road reserve;
    - (B) other corridor for transport;
    - (C) supply of a utility;
    - (D) Aboriginal community living area; and
  - (ii) any other area of land may be included in the declaration if the other area of land adjoins the relevant area and is either of the following:
    - (A) the subject of an indigenous land use agreement under which it is agreed the other area of land will be granted to a Land Trust and leased to the Territory for the purposes of a park or reserve;
    - (B) described as part of the scheduled park or reserve in Schedule 1, Part 5 of ALRA.
- (3) If the park or reserve for a relevant area is not a scheduled park or reserve but the joint management partners have executed a joint management agreement for the park or reserve (whether or not the agreement relates to other land adjoining the park or reserve) the Minister may, by a single *Gazette* notice:
  - (a) revoke the declaration, or purported declaration, for the relevant area; and
  - (b) declare the relevant area to be a park or reserve, provided that:
    - (i) any part of the relevant area to be used for any of the following purposes may be excluded from the declaration:
      - (A) public road or road reserve;
      - (B) other corridor for transport;
      - (C) supply of a utility;
      - (D) Aboriginal community living area; and

- (ii) any other area of land to which the joint management agreement relates may be included in the declaration.
- (4) The powers under subsections (2) and (3) may be exercised only once in relation to each park or reserve.
- (5) A revocation under subsection (2)(a) or (3)(a) has effect as if it were a revocation under section 13.
- (6) A declaration under subsection (2)(b) or (3)(b) has effect as if it were the declaration of a park or reserve under section 12.
- (7) In this section:

*section 12 declaration* means a declaration or purported declaration, in force or purportedly in force under section 12 immediately before the commencement of this Part.

utility means communications, electricity, gas or water.