AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY
(PLANNING AND LAND MANAGEMENT) ACT 1988

AMENDMENT TO THE
NATIONAL CAPITAL PLAN

AMENDMENT No. 6

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AMENDMENT

1 Amendment to Figure 1 - GENERAL POLICY PLAN - Metropolitan Canberra - following Page 14:

a) Insert the attached map entitled "West Belconnen - Amendment No.6" in the National Capital Plan as Appendix W.

b) Amend Figure 1 by deleting the annotation in the Legend "Future Urban - Subject to the Territory Plan" and by removing the relevant symbol from the West Belconnen Area. Revise the boundaries of the "Urban Areas", "Rural Areas", "Broadacre" and "National Capital Open Space - Hills, Ridges and Buffer Spaces", and identify an "Investigation Area" in Figure 1 on the basis of the boundaries shown in Appendix W, "West Belconnen - Amendment No.6."

2 Amendment to Page 9 of the Plan:

Delete the heading "Future Urban Land and Areas Under Investigation" and substitute "Areas Under Investigation" and delete the first two paragraphs following the heading, which commence with the words "Consistent with the above approach..." and "Detailed proposals for specific land uses....."

and insert the following:

A number of areas were originally identified in the Plan as subject to further investigation by the ACT Government as areas which may be suitable for urban development. These areas - West Belconnen, Jerrabomberra - Symonston and Mitchell - were identified in Figure 1 of the Plan as "Future Urban Areas - Subject to the Territory Plan" or as "Areas Under Investigation".

Studies have been conducted by the ACT Planning Authority of West Belconnen which have resulted in a revision to the extent of the proposed Urban Area as shown at Appendix W.

The area originally identified in Figure 1 of the National Capital Plan as "Future Urban - Subject to Territory Plan" to the west of Belconnen has been divided, through a process of formal amendment, into "Urban Areas", "Broadacre", "Rural" and "National Capital Open Space - Hills Ridges and Buffer Spaces". The definition of these areas is shown in the figure at Appendix W together with an area identified as an "Investigation Area".

In the case of West Belconnen the land use policy for the "Investigation Area" is "National Capital Open Space - Hills Ridges and Buffer Spaces". This area will be reviewed in the context of a planning study of the long term development of Canberra and the surrounding sub-region. Before this area can be used for other than those uses permissible in Hills Ridges and Buffer Spaces, the ACT Planning Authority will need to obtain the agreement of the National Capital Planning Authority to propose an
amendment to the National Capital Plan, and any such amendment would need to be approved and gazetted. Fundamental to the future consideration of this area will be the need to retain an open space buffer which effectively separates West Belconnen from possible future urban development in New South Wales.

An Implementation Plan and Program for the treatment of the area of "Hills Ridges and Buffer Spaces" between the amended boundary to the Urban Area and the ACT-NSW border is to be prepared by the ACT Government, and agreed to by the National Capital Planning Authority, concurrently with land development in the area beyond the suburbs of Macgregor and Charnwood. The Implementation Plan and Program should detail measures which minimise the impact of existing and any future utilities or engineering services located in the service corridor. They should also show how the open space can be developed to perform its function as an effective buffer space between major urban areas, and to meet the demand for a range of activities, particularly recreational uses. The Implementation Program should indicate the nature, extent, cost and anticipated timing of public works involved.

3 Amendment to Page 42 of the Plan:

On Page 42 under (h) 1, delete the words "at the northwestern periphery of Belconnen.".
APPENDIX W - WEST BELCONNEN: Amendment No.6 to the National Capital Plan

- Urban Areas
- Broadacre Areas
- Rural Areas

National Capital Open Space
- River Corridors
- Hills, Ridges & Buffer Spaces
- Investigation Area