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Dear Michelle

DRAFT NATIVE VEGETATION POLICY – INVITATION TO COMMENT

Thank you for providing the draft Native Vegetation Policy for Western Australia (draft policy) to the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) for comment.

DPLH supports the development of a native vegetation policy to improve the management and protection of native vegetation in Western Australia and commends the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) in preparing the draft policy.

As you are aware, relevant officers from across our Departments have been liaising for some time in the development of the draft policy. DPLH will continue to engage and work collaboratively with DWER to finalise the policy, including the provision of technical officer comments separate to this reply.

DPLH Interagency Working Group representatives will continue discussions to shape governance arrangements, refine the scope and expectations around roadmap actions and to understand resourcing implications for implementation. DPLH will assist DWER in addressing any submissions received, where relevant to the role and functions of DPLH.

I look forward to seeing the policy move towards finalisation.

Yours sincerely

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Director General

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