

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

DECLARATION OF AN APPROVED EXISITING STOCKS WILDLIFE TRADE OPERATION – VICTORIA 2021–23

- I, SUSSAN LEY, Minister for the Environment:
- (a) having noted that two public comments were received in response to an invitation under section 303FR
- (b) being satisfied as to those matters set out in section 303FN

declare that the *Victorian Kangaroo Harvest Management Plan 2021-2023* (the **Proposal**) is an **approved existing stocks wildlife trade operation** for the purposes of section 303FN of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

Unless amended or revoked, this declaration:

- a) is valid for three years from the day after the date of registration on the Federal Register of Legislation;
- b) is valid for stock harvested after 1 October 2019; and
- c) has effect subject to the following conditions applied under section 303FT:
- 1. Commercial harvesting of kangaroos in Victoria must be conducted in accordance with the *Victorian Kangaroo Harvest Management Plan 2021-2023* (the Proposal).
- 2. The Victorian Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning must inform the Department of any intended changes to the Victorian kangaroo management arrangements that may affect the assessment against which EPBC Act decisions have been made.
- 3. The Victorian Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning must continue to support programs to monitor kangaroo populations in Victoria with a view to implementing appropriate management responses if the commercial kangaroo harvest continues.
- 4. The quota report referred to in the Proposal must be submitted to the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment by 31 December each year.
- 5. The annual report referred to in the Proposal must be submitted to the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment by 31 March each year. The annual report will cover the preceding calendar year.

Dated this 10 th day of December 2020 [signed]
Sussan Ley
Minister for the Environment