



Government of **Western Australia**
Conservation and Parks Commission

Position Statement No.6 Management Plans- Section 53 - 61 CALM Act

November 2022

Current from	December 2022	For Review	November 2024
Version	3	Replaces	Version 2, Sept 2015
Officer responsible	Director	File / Document No.	

The Commission's Position

The Conservation and Parks Commission (Commission) has a statutory function under section 19(f) of the *Conservation and Land Management Act 1984* (CALM Act) in accordance with Part V, to prepare and deal with proposed management plans for land and waters vested in or under the care, control and management of the Commission, whether solely or jointly with a joint responsible body.

The Commission's position in relation to section 19 of the CALM Act is outlined in *Position Statement No. 16 Measuring the implementation of management plans CALM Act section 19(g) functions*.

The development of management plans, content, land management, joint management, expiration, objectives, consultation to determine the value of the land to culture and heritage of Aboriginal persons is outlined in sections 53-57 of the CALM Act. The public notification, management of public submissions, referral to other bodies, submission to the Minister, preparation of the government gazette, amendment or revoking a management plan is outlined in section 58-61 of the CALM Act.

The CALM Act responsible body (the Department) fulfils functions under sections 53-61 of the CALM Act in consultation with the Commission via the Management Plan Review Committee (MPRC). The MPRC will provide guidance to the Department on management plan preparation and the final endorsement will sit with the whole Commission.

The MPRC's Terms of Reference is to:

- develop, in consultation with the Department an annual priority program for management plan preparation;
- review progress on management plans under preparation;
- consider indicative, draft and proposed plans and plan amendments, and make recommendations to the Commission;
- advise the Commission on priorities for areas and issues for future management plan development;
- review processes and procedures for the development of management plans for areas and interests of the Commission; and
- consider other matters referred to it by the Commission.

Once the MPRC are satisfied that the management plans adhere to the intent of the CALM Act, and the appropriate consultation and consideration given to the public submission period, the plans can then be referred to the full Commission meeting for final endorsement. In the case of joint management and or joint vesting, the MPRC will require briefings to ensure the appropriate Traditional Owners have endorsed the plans content and direction.