

QLD Independent EPA *Protected* article Appendices

Relevant Queensland Legislation: Objects and Purposes

Appendix 1

Object of the Qld EP act 1994 :

The object of this Act is to protect Queensland's environment while allowing for development that improves the total quality of life, both now and in the future, in a way that maintains the ecological processes on which life depends (*ecologically sustainable development*).

Appendix 2

Object of the Nature Conservation Act 1992

The object of this Act is the conservation of nature while allowing for the involvement of indigenous people in the management of protected areas in which they have an interest under Aboriginal tradition or Island custom.

Appendix 3

Objectives of the QLD Mineral Resources Act ;

The principal objectives of this Act are to—

- I. encourage and facilitate prospecting and exploring for and mining of minerals;
- II. enhance knowledge of the mineral resources of the State;
- III. minimise land use conflict with respect to prospecting, exploring and mining;
- IV. encourage environmental responsibility in prospecting, exploring and mining;
- V. ensure an appropriate financial return to the State from mining;

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Appendix 4

Mineral Resources Act 1989

Chapter 1 Preliminary - Part 2

- i. provide an administrative framework to expedite and regulate prospecting and exploring for and mining of minerals;
- ii. encourage responsible land care management in prospecting, exploring and mining.

Appendix 5

QLD Planning Act 2016

The purpose of this Act is to establish an efficient, effective, transparent, integrated, coordinated, and accountable system of land use planning (**planning**), development assessment and related matters that facilitates the achievement of ecological sustainability.

- I. **Ecological sustainability** is a balance that integrates—
 - a) the protection of ecological processes and natural systems at local, regional, State, and wider levels; and
 - b) economic development; and
 - c) the maintenance of the cultural, economic, physical and social wellbeing of people and communities.

Appendix 6

State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971

In the apparent absence of a stated objective for this legislation;

Supervision of environment

The Coordinator-General shall, of the Coordinator-General's own motion or at the direction of the Minister, coordinate departments of the Government and local bodies throughout the State in activities directed towards ensuring that in any development proper account is taken of the environmental effects.

Appendix 7

Qld Land Act 1994

Land Act 1994 Chapter 1 Preliminary

In the administration of this Act, land to which this Act applies must be managed for the benefit of the people of Queensland by having regard to the following principles—

Sustainability

Objects

Appendix 8

Land Act 1994

An Act to consolidate and amend the law relating to the administration and management of non-freehold land and deeds of grant in trust and the creation of freehold land, and for related purposes

Chapter 1 Preliminary - Part 1 Introduction 1 Short title

This Act may be cited as the *Land Act 1994*.

3 Dictionary

The dictionary in schedule 6 defines particular words used in this Act.

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Land Act 1994 Chapter 1 Preliminary

Sustainable resource use and development to ensure existing needs are met and the State's resources are conserved for the benefit of future generations

Evaluation

- land evaluation based on the appraisal of land capability and the consideration and balancing of the different economic, environmental, cultural and social opportunities and values of the land

Development

- allocating land for development in the context of the State's planning framework, and applying contemporary best practice in design and land management
- when land is made available, allocation to persons who will facilitate its most appropriate use that supports the economic, social and physical well-being of the people of Queensland

Community purpose

if land is needed for community purposes, the retention of the land for the community in a way that protects and facilitates the community purpose

Protection

- protection of environmentally and culturally valuable and sensitive areas and features

Consultation

- consultation with community groups, industry associations and authorities is an important part of the decision-making process

Administration

- consistent and impartial dealings
- efficient, open and accountable administration
- a market approach in land dealings, adjusted when appropriate for community benefits arising from the dealing.

Appendix 10

Petroleum and gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004

Purpose and application of Act

- i. The main purpose of this Act is to facilitate and regulate the carrying out of responsible petroleum activities and the

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Petroleum and Gas (Production and Safety) Act 2004 Chapter 1 Preliminary

Development of a safe, efficient and viable petroleum and fuel gas industry, in a way that—

- i. manages the State's petroleum resources—
 - a) in a way that has regard to the need for ecologically sustainable development; and
 - b) for the benefit of all Queenslanders; and

- ii. enhances knowledge of the State's petroleum resources; and
- iii. creates an effective and efficient regulatory system for the carrying out of petroleum activities and the use of petroleum and fuel gas; and
- iv. encourages and maintains an appropriate level of competition in the carrying out of petroleum activities; and
- v. creates an effective and efficient regulatory system for the construction and operation of pipelines; and
- vi. ensures petroleum activities are carried on in a way that minimises conflict with other land uses; and
- vii. optimises coal seam gas production and coal or oil shale mining in a safe and efficient way; and
- viii. appropriately compensates owners or occupiers of land; and
- ix. encourages responsible land management in the carrying out of petroleum activities; and
- x. facilitates constructive consultation with people affected by activities authorised under this Act; and
- xi. regulates and promotes the safety of persons in relation to operating plant.