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Autumn 2022 Newsletter

Environmental & Development Industry News

Amendment of Companion Animals Act 1998 re Re-homing animals

On February 18 2022 the NSW Legislative Assembly passed the Companion Animals Amendment (Rehoming Animals) Bill 2021 The proposed reforms include:

- Before action is taken to destroy a seized or surrendered animal, councils must give written notice to at least two rehoming organisations to inform them that the animal is available for rehoming and take reasonable steps to advertise the animal as available for rehoming.
- If a rehoming organisation provides the council written notice that it is able to rehome an animal, the council must not destroy the animal and must make arrangements to transfer the animal to the organisation for rehoming.
- Councils must keep records that identify animals that have been rehomed.

<https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/bill/files/3905/Passed%20by%20both%20Houses.pdf>

NCC 2022 preview and adoption dates

Building Ministers have agreed to delay the adoption of NCC 2022 in recognition of the disruption of the COVID-19 pandemic, and the impacts to industry during a difficult economic time.

The preview for NCC 2022 will be available from **9 May 2022** (excluding energy efficiency and condensation) with adoption by states and territories occurring on **1 September 2022**.

Note that the proposed energy efficiency and condensation amendments will be available prior to adoption.

<https://www.abcb.gov.au/news/2022/ncc-2022-preview-and-adoption-dates#:~:text=The%20preview%20for%20NCC%202022,Adoption%20by%20states%20and%20territories>

Association of Australian Certifiers (AAC) Board elections

The Association of Australian Certifiers has announced its new Board and EDAP's own Kellie Woods (Director @ Pro Cert Group Pty Ltd) was elected as a Board Member. Congratulations Kellie!

"The Association of Australian Certifiers Board has 12 members from the various registered certifier categories. AAC Directors donate their time and their extensive experience freely to represent registered certifiers at various industry and Government forums."

<https://www.aacertifiers.com.au/Public/About/About-Us/BOD/Public/About-Us/AAC/BOD.aspx?hkey=3d8e66a3-b075-473b-bebe-20e3b212f6a4>



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Commencement of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021

The Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021 commenced on 1 March 2022 with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 now repealed. The NSW Government has stated that the EP&A Reg 2021 is designed to make the planning system easier to use by remaking, reordering and refining the provisions of the EP&A Reg 2000 as well as introducing changes intended to:

- cut red tape;
- simplify the planning system;
- reduce assessment timeframes; and
- increase transparency.

https://www.lindsaytaylorlawyers.com.au/in_focus/commencement-of-the-environmental-planning-and-assessment-regulation-2021/

EDAP Annual Regional Conference – FORBES 2022

The Covid-19 pandemic has unfortunately limited EDAP's ability to run our annual conference. But we're back in 2022 with the conference to be held in Forbes on 11-13 May. This will be EDAP's 20th Annual Conference and will be run in conjunction with the Riverina Group. The program has been released and the lineup of speakers is class! So register now for a great couple of days in Amazing Forbes!





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The EDAP AGM will be held at the Forbes conference and we are always looking for some new hands to keep EDAP active

Below: There will be cocktails at the AGM but probably no pool



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