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REASONS FOR DECISION UNDER *ENVIRONMENT EFFECTS ACT 1978*

Title of Proposal: **Beaumaris Motor Yacht Squadron (BMYS) Marine Development**

Proponent: **Beaumaris Motor Yacht Squadron (BMYS)**

Description of Project:

Proposed redevelopment and expansion of the existing BMYS to establish a marina, including rock breakwaters, 120 floating berths, 78 berth 'dry stack', three lane boat ramp, redevelopment of club house, increase in parking, public access, drainage revisions, pump out and fuel supply facilities.

Decision:

The Minister for Planning has decided that an Environment Effects Statement (EES) is required for the proposed Beaumaris Motor Yacht Squadron (BMYS) Marina Development Project as described in the referral accepted on 17 June 2009.

Reasons for Decision:

- The proposal has the potential for environmental effects of regional or State significance.
- Further development of boating facilities at the proposed site that could adversely affect either the conservation of or scientific access to significant fossil bearing strata and deposits needs sufficient investigation to establish, in terms of project design and mitigation measures, how such adverse effects could be avoided or minimised.
- Further investigation is needed to establish whether marina facilities could be constructed and operated at the proposed site without adversely affecting either sediment transport along the coast or beneficial uses dependent on water quality, including Rickett's Point Marine Sanctuary, Beaumaris Aquaculture Fisheries Reserve and local marine habitats.
- In conjunction with the above issues, further investigation of design options with respect to landscape values, visual amenity, cultural heritage, cliff stability and traffic management is needed.
- An EES process would enable a sound assessment of uncertain but potentially significant adverse effects, including integrated consideration of both terrestrial and marine effects, and relevant design alternatives and mitigation measures.

Date of Decision:

13 NOV 2009