

Act No. 71 of 1990

**NATIONAL PARKS AND WILDLIFE (MINING PROHIBITION)  
AMENDMENT BILL 1990**

NEW SOUTH WALES



**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

**(This Explanatory Note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament)**

The object of this Bill is to amend the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 so as to prohibit prospecting and mining in national parks, historic sites, nature reserves, state game reserves and Aboriginal areas.'

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**Clause 1** specifies the short title of the proposed Act

**Clause 2** provides for the proposed Act to commence on assent.

**Clause 3** is a formal provision that gives effect to the Schedule of amendments.

**Schedule 1 (1)** defines expressions used in the proposed amendments.

**Schedule 1 (2)** makes it unlawful to prospect or mine for minerals in a national park or historic site, subject only to the following exceptions:

- (a) authorisation by a later Act of Parliament;
- (b) activity authorised by licences etc. in force at the time the national park or historic site was reserved;
- (c) prospecting on behalf of the Government (following notice to both Houses of Parliament and approval by the Minister).

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Schedule 1 (3) applies the above provisions to nature reserves.

Schedule 1 (4) applies the above provisions to state game reserves.

Schedule 1 (5) applies the above provisions to Aboriginal areas.

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