



DEVELOPMENT ACT 1993

PROPOSED BUCKLAND PARK COUNTRY TOWNSHIP

Amended Guidelines for an Environmental Impact Statement

In January 2007 the Minister for Urban Development and Planning declared a proposal to undertake a land division for a Country Township at Buckland Park would be assessed using the major development provisions of the *Development Act 1993* (declaration under Section 46(1)).

A formal Development Application for the proposed development was received from Walker Corporation and Day Corporation in May 2007, and referred to the independent Development Assessment Commission (DAC) for initial examination, in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

The DAC determined that the proponents must prepare a detailed Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and on 19 September 2007 issued Guidelines outlining the environmental, social and economic issues which the proponent must address in the EIS.

The Minister for Urban Development and Planning has subsequently varied the major development declaration to encompass the expanded area of the proposal.

The amended proposal expands the area of the project by 300 hectares (to 1300 hectares) and includes a neighbourhood/community centre and display village. The proposal is now for a 'Country Township' comprising around 15,000 dwellings. The township concept includes a town centre providing weekly shopping facilities, commercial facilities, medical centre, community facilities, child care centre, library, a B-12 school and recreation and sporting facilities. Areas within the town centre would be set aside for offices, employment and service trade premises.

As per the requirements of the *Development Act*, the DAC has considered the Amended Development Application and has now issued Amended Guidelines for the EIS.

The Amended Guidelines document will be available for free from 17 September 2008 at the following locations:

Internet:

www.dac.sa.gov.au

www.planning.sa.gov.au/go/major-developments

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The Conservation Centre

Level 1, 157 Franklin Street, Adelaide

Once the EIS has been prepared by the proponent it must be released for a period of at least six weeks public and agency comment.