

# DEVELOPMENTS IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## Western Australian Recycling Blueprint

A special committee of State Government, Local Councils and industry has produced a report "Western Australian Recycling Blueprint" which the Premier of Western Australia says is consistent with policy initiatives outlined in the "WA Advantage" economic programme.

Recommendations include:

- kerbside domestic waste collection
- charges for the amount of garbage and no charge for recyclables
- facilities for sorting recyclable waste at industrial sites
- increased penalties for littering and dumping waste minerals
- a recycling system in Perth's central business district
- recycling bins in sports venues, shopping centres and streets.

## Wildlife Conservation Amendment Act

The Wildlife Conservation Amendment Act removing the discretion of the Minister to declare a duck shooting season, game reserves and game birds was gazetted on the 16th June 1992.

## Port Kennedy Tourist Development Bill deferred

A Bill to approve the Development and an Agreement between Fleuris Pty Ltd and the State Government has been deferred to the spring sitting of Parliament.

It is proposed to build a five star hotel, two golf courses and a marina in the System Six reserve at Port Kennedy.

The State Government has lodged an objection with the Australian Heritage Commission to the listing of Port Kennedy and Secret Harbour on the Register of the National Estate.

The Government has announced it intends to create a Regional Park of 1,300 hectares at Port Kennedy and Lark Hill. Conservationists say that the Park does not include the most valuable scientific and conservation areas near Becher Point and the mobile sand dune system at Secret Harbour.

## Aboriginal Heritage Amendment Bill

The Government has been conducting consultations throughout the State with Aboriginal groups, and with the mining industry before introducing a Bill into the August sittings of Parliament which would set up an Aboriginal Heritage Authority with power to issue clearance certificates for development and mining proposals with a power of appeal to the Minister. The Bill has been subject to detailed criticism from all parties and much complaint about the short time allowed for public consultation. The Government has undertaken to redraft the Bill, taking into account the criticisms, before introducing it to Parliament.

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