## Alignment of General EPBC Assessment Process Stages, with steps in Victorian Statutory Processes Accredited under the 2014 Bilateral Assessment Agreement **EES Planning Permit Environmental Report** CIS **Advisory Committee Heritage Permit** Approval s. 36, 51 or 67 **Works Approval EPBC** Assessment (EE Act) (MTPF Act) (P&E Act) (Heritage Act) (P&E Act) (EE Act) (Water Act) (Env Protection Act) **DELWP (Planning) DELWP** (Heritage) **DELWP** (Water) **EPA** Stages **DELWP (Planning) DELWP (Planning) DELWP (Planning) DELWP (Planning)** Item 2.1(h) Item 2.1(g) Items 2.1(e)&(f) Item 2.1(c) Item 2.1(d) Item 2.1(i) Item 2.1(b) Item 2.1(a) **Draft EES Scoping** Scope of Assessment Public comment sought (15 **Scope** of Assessment Requirements prepared in Minister for Planning's No Documentation confirmed bus days) on Draft CIS Documentation confirmed (re accordance with Ministerial **EES Conditions** set Scope of Assessment Scope of Assessment Scope of EPBC (re Matters of National Scoping Directions prepared in Scope of Assessment MNES) & Terms of Reference Guidelines (including MNES) & Documentation confirmed (re requirement for and Scope of Documentation confirmed (re Assessment confirmed **Environmental Significance** accordance with MTPF Act Documentation confirmed public comments invited (15 for Advisory Committee MNES) by Department **Environmental Report** MNES) by Department (MNES)) by Department (including MNES). Final CIS (re MNES) by EPA prepared by Department bus days). Final EES Scoping (including MNES) (Heritage) (Water) (Planning) Scoping Directions issued by Requirements issued by Min for (Planning) Min for Planning & published Planning & published Application for s.36, 51 or **Draft Assessment Heritage Permit Application Assessment Documentation** Works Approval **Environment Effects** 67 Approval & relevant **Environmental Report Comprehensive Impact Draft Assessment Documentation** prepared by prepared by proponent (with & relevant supporting Application & relevant Statement (EES) prepared by supporting documentation proponent (with Permit prepared by proponent, to Statement (CIS) prepared by Planning Scheme Amendment documentation prepared by **Documentation** prepared supporting documentation proponent in accordance with prepared by proponent in satisfaction of Min for Application as appropriate), to proponent, to satisfaction of Min. (PSA) Documentation as proponent in accordance with (proponent) to satisfaction prepared by proponent in Ministerial Guidelines & EES accordance with Water Act, Planning (or delegate) for Planning (or delegate) satisfaction of Min for appropriate), to satisfaction of Heritage Act, to satisfaction of State accordance with FP Act. Scoping Requirements to satisfaction of Min for Planning (or delegate) Min for Planning (or delegate) of ED (or delegate) to satisfaction of EPA Water (or delegate) Public notice inviting Works Approval s.36, 51 or 67 Application & EES exhibited and advertised Application & relevant Public notice inviting Application & relevant Comment on draft Assessment Documentation Public Comment on CIS exhibited and advertised relevant supporting public submissions invited supporting documentation supporting documentation Assessment Documentation **Comment** on Environmental advertised, inviting public documentation advertised, (draft) Assessment (including on MNES public submissions invited advertised, inviting advertised, inviting (14 days), in parallel with Report, including on MNES submissions, together with Documentation inviting Comment on MNES assessment) (20 - 30 bus days) Comment on MNES notice of Planning Permit assessment (14 days) Comment on MNES PSA (28 days) assessment (14 days) (20 - 30 bus days) assessment (14 days) Application assessment (21 days) CIS revised in accordance with Proponent provides ED with Proponent provides Min for Proponent provides EPA EES Inquiry occurs (public MTPF Act by proponent in **Finalise Assessment** Proponent finalises Advisory Committee (AC), Proponent prepares Final Water with final Assessment with final Assessment final Assessment hearing), with proponent's response to public **Documentation Assessment** appointed under P&E Act, **Environmental Report, Documentation** Documentation Documentation response to public **Documentation**, including submissions and review occurs and proponent provides (proponent) including responses to (Application), including (Application), including (Application), including submissions, & reports to Min (including hearing) by & respond to public responses to public AC with written responses to public comments responses to public responses to public responses to public for Planning Assessment Committee in comments comments public submissions comments comments comments accordance with MTPF Act report to Min for Planning Assessment Report (for Minister's Assessment (under Assessment Report (for Assessment Report prepared **Assessment Report Assessment Report Assessment Report** MNES) prepared by Min for EE Act) prepared by Minister for Assessment Report prepared Assessment Report MNES) prepared by Min for by Advisory Committee and prepared by State & Planning (or delegate) and Planning and issued to by Min for Planning and issued prepared by ED and issued prepared by Min for Water prepared by EPA and Planning (or delegate) and issued to Commonwealth and issued to Commonwealth and issued to Commonwealth issued to Commonwealth decision-makers (including to Commonwealth to Commonwealth issued to Commonwealth issued to Commonwealth State decision-makers (and Responsible Authority) Commonwealth) and proponent **EPBC** Approval decision **EPBC** Approval decision **EPBC Approval decision EPBC Approval decision EPBC Approval decision EPBC Approval decision EPBC** Approval decision **EPBC** Approval decision **EPBC** Approval decision issued by issued by Commonwealth Commonwealth **KEY - Roles** Item 2.1(a) – refers to the accredited assessment item in **DELWP = Vic Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning** EE Act = Environment Effects Act 1978 Schedule 1 to the Bilateral Agreement

Public Commonwealth

Proponent

State Agency

EPBC = Environment Protection & Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999

MNES = a Matter of National Environmental Significance protected by a provision of Div. 1 of Part 3 of EPBC Act

P&E Act = Planning & Environment Act 1987

MTPF Act = Major Transport Projects Facilitation Act 2009