

# **Place Names Delegation Policy**

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## Version History

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1.00	03/09/2013	Establish a framework for decision making relating to the application of Place Names (Ministerial) Delegation No. 1 2013 for administration of the <i>Place Names Act 1994</i> .
2.00	24/10/2016	Delegation of decision-making powers that are either technical/survey related or insignificant naming actions.  Title renamed from "Place Names Ministerial Delegations" to "Place Names Delegation Policy".
2.01	22/01/2019	Reformatting to DNRME template and amend position title from Director Spatial Data and Mapping to Director of Surveys

## Approval

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# 1 Purpose

To establish a framework for decision making relating to the application of Place Names (Ministerial) Delegation No. 1 2017 for administration of the *Place Names Act 1994*.

# 2 Terms

Unless otherwise specified, the following definitions apply to terms used within this document.

**Act** means the Queensland *Place Names Act 1994*

**Geographical feature** means the collection of place types such as hills, creeks, mountains, bays etc. named according to the Act. It does not include localities or suburbs, nor does it include population centres such as cities, towns and townships.

**Minister** means the Minister for the department administering the Act.

**Proposal** means the Minister's proposal in accordance with section 8 of the Act.

**Decision** means the Minister's decision in accordance with sections 7 and 11 of the Act.

**List 1** includes

- Deputy Director-General, Natural Resources
- Executive Director, North Region
- Executive Director, Central Region
- Executive Director, South Region
- Executive Director, Land and Spatial Information

**List 2** includes anyone from List 1 plus

- Planning Services Manager, North Region
- Manager Planning Services Central Region
- Manager Resource Assessment and Information, South Region
- Manager Land Services, South Region
- Manager Administrative Data Management, Land and Spatial Information
- Land Services Regional Manager, North Region
- Land Services Regional Manager, Central Region
- Land Services Regional Manager, South Region
- Planning Assessment and Information Regional Manager, South Region
- Director of Surveys, Land and Spatial Information

### 3 Limitation of delegated powers

In reference to Place Names (Ministerial) Delegation No. 1 2017 the powers, function and duties of the Minister under sections 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of the Act shall only be exercised by the delegate if the delegate is of the opinion that the following circumstances have been met –

Place type	Action and Situation	Delegate to develop proposal	Delegate to make decision
Geographical features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Give, change or discontinue a name and;</li> <li>• won't generate significant media or political interest.</li> </ul>	Anyone from List 1 and 2	Anyone from List 2
Geographical features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Give, change or discontinue a name and;</li> <li>• unlikely to generate significant media or political interest.</li> </ul>	Anyone from List 1 and 2	Anyone from List 1
Geographical features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Give, change or discontinue a name and;</li> <li>• likely to generate significant media or political interest.</li> </ul>	Anyone from List 1	No delegation
Localities or suburbs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Change a boundary; and</li> <li>• won't generate significant media or political interest.</li> </ul>	Anyone from List 1 and 2	Anyone from List 2
Localities or suburbs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Change a boundary; and</li> <li>• unlikely to generate significant media or political interest.</li> </ul>	Anyone from List 1 and 2	Anyone from List 1
Localities or suburbs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Change a boundary; and</li> <li>• likely to generate significant media or political interest.</li> </ul>	Anyone from List 1	No delegation
Localities or suburbs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Give, change or discontinue a name and;</li> <li>• all situations.</li> </ul>	No delegation	No delegation
Cities, towns, townships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Give, change or discontinue a name and;</li> <li>• all situations.</li> </ul>	No delegation	No delegation

## **4 References**

*Place Names Act 1994 (Qld)*

Place Names (Ministerial) Delegation No. 1 2017

## **5 Keywords**

Place Names (Ministerial) Delegation No. 1 2017; Place Names Act 1994; geographical feature; proposal; decision; localities; suburbs; cities; towns; townships; delegated powers