

**LANDS** **ACQUISITION** **ACT 1989**

**PRE-ACQUISITION DECLARATION**

**1. Acquisition**

In accordance with the *Lands Acquisition Act 1989*, I am considering the acquisition of the interests in Land specified in paragraph 3 for the public purpose described in paragraph 4.

The Commonwealth of Australia is the acquiring authority.

**2. The Land**

This declaration relates to approximately 36.422 hectares of land, at Canal Creek in the County of Liebig and Parish of Tilpal in the State of Queensland, being Lot 1329 Crown Plan LBG4074 (“Land”). The Land is located to the south of the intersection of Raspberry Creek Road and The Oaks Back Road at Canal Creek, Queensland.

The location of the Land is shown shaded and labelled Lot 1329 LBG4074 in the attached Location Plan.

**3. The Interests in Land**

This declaration relates to the freehold interest in the Land.

**4. Public Purpose**

The public purpose of the acquisition is defence.

**5. Suitability for use for a public purpose**

The Land appears to be suitable for use by the Commonwealth of Australia for the public purpose described in paragraph 4.

**6. Particulars of Proposed Use**

The Land is to be used by the Department of Defence (Army) in relation to the operations of the Shoalwater Bay Training Area.

**7. Reasons why the Land appears to be Suitable for the Proposed Use**

The reason why the Land appears to be suitable for the use described in paragraph 6 is that it is adjacent to the Shoalwater Bay Training Area, and the acquisition of the Land will enable the expansion of the training area enhancing the overall capability of the training area.

DATED this 20th day of March 2014.

Signed by Guy Verney delegate of the Minister for Finance

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Guy Verney

Delegate of the Minister for Finance

Assistant Secretary

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Department of Finance

**Note: This Pre-Acquisition Declaration signifies that the Commonwealth is considering acquisition of the interest in Land specified in paragraph 3. It does NOT mean that the interests in Land have been acquired.**

