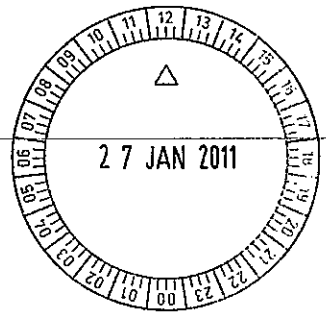


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Hon Brian Ellis MLC
Chairman
Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs
Parliament House
PERTH WA 6000

Dear Mr Ellis

Petition No 96 - Reduction of Maximum Boat Speed in the Swan and Canning Rivers

Thank you for your letter dated 24 November 2010 regarding Petition No 96 - Reduction of Maximum Boat Speed in the Swan and Canning Rivers.

I am pleased to advise that the maximum boat speed for motorised vessels operating on the Swan River upstream of the Belmont Water Ski Area was reduced from eight knots to five knots on 30 November 2010.

This action was undertaken with the support of the Minister for Environment and followed a period of consultation conducted by the Department of Transport and Swan River Trust with key stakeholders.

I can also advise that an Electorate Officer of Ms Lisa Baker MLA, Member for Maylands, attended relevant meetings of the Swan River Trust.

Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Yours sincerely

**TROY BUSWELL MLA
TREASURER FOR TRANSPORT**

25 JAN 2011