

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Standing Committee on Environment and Heritage

Environmental Controls in the ACT

The House of Representatives Standing Committee on Environment and Heritage will hold a public hearing in Canberra at Parliament House this **Monday**, **9 October**, to hear the views of the ACT Government and ACT landholders regarding the impact of environmental measures imposed on private landholders. The Committee is interested in the costs to landholders of requirements to take conservation measures, such as protecting or rehabilitating native vegetation.

The House Environment Committee is currently holding a number of public hearings around Australia as part of its inquiry into this issue.

Public Event:	House Environment Committee hears how environmental issues affect private landholders	
Where:	Committee Room 1R4, Parliament House, Canberra	
When:	Monday 9 October, 9.30 am – 11 a.m.	
	9.30am - 10.15am	ACT Government - Environment ACT
	10.15am - 11.00am	ACT Sustainable Rural Lands Group Inc.

The House Environment Committee is seeking information and ideas on:

- how to decrease the financial burden on landholders of carrying out conservation measures;
- ~ ways of ensuring that the costs of public good conservation are shared by all; and
- how to distinguish measures that largely benefit the landholders themselves from measures that largely benefit the public at large, and how to cost these measures.

For more information on the inquiry, contact the House Environment Committee Secretariat on 02 6277 4580 or visit the House Environment Committee web site: www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/environ/

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