3 March 2023

**Change advisory notice 294 – Changes to Open Data Platform affecting Vicmap web services (WMS/WFS)**

## **What is happening**

The Department of Environment, Energy and Climate Action (DEECA) open data platform that serves Web Map Services (WMS) and Web Feature Services (WFS) via the URL:

**services.land.vic.gov.au/catalogue/publicproxy/guest/dv\_geoserver**

will be rebuilt and hosted in the cloud. As a result, the following changes will occur:

1. The URLs for Vicmap WMS and WFS will change. Refer to the attached **Change Instruction** document provided by the DEECA technical team for more information.
2. Services will default to the GDA2020 datum.
3. Several Vicmap web services will be withdrawn. Filtered services, such as Main Roads (filtered from the full Vicmap Transport Road Network dataset) will not be supported. Only full dataset services will be supported. Sub-features within these services can be extracted by applying filters. Refer to the attached DEECA **FAQ** for more information.
4. The current services will continue to operate until **27 March 2023**.

**Why this change is occurring**

DEECA is uplifting its enterprise spatial architecture and moving data services to the cloud. This will improve system performance, stability, and disaster recovery.

## **Who will it affect**

Customers accessing Vicmap data as WMS and WFS via the URL:

**services.land.vic.gov.au/catalogue/publicproxy/guest/dv\_geoserver**

These customers can begin integration testing now as per attached DEECA Change Instruction and FAQ documents. Please note:

1. The data sourced for the new services are not currently being updated. Customers are advised to only perform integration testing. Access is available to enable customers to resolve any issues connecting to the new platform.
2. Customers should not switch their production systems to the new platform until the source data has entered the regular update cycle. Vicmap will provide further information when DEECA advises implementation of regular data updates.

**When the change will occur**

The migration of the DEECA Open Data Platform to the cloud will happen on **27 March 2023**. The publication of this notice is given now to allow customers to prepare for the transition.

## **Get in touch**

For further help or information regarding the upgrade of the DEECA Open Data Platform please email [GIS.Helpdesk@delwp.vic.gov.au](mailto:GIS.Helpdesk@delwp.vic.gov.au)

For further help or information regarding Vicmap products and services please email [vicmap@delwp.vic.gov.au](mailto:vicmap.help@delwp.vic.gov.au)

For Vicmap change notices and updates, visit [Vicmap change notices](https://www.land.vic.gov.au/maps-and-spatial/spatial-data/updates-to-vicmap/vicmap-change-notices).

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