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Wild Drake Pty Ltd (in liquidation)  
C/- Mr Adam Johnston, Liquidator  
Office 12  
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and

Mr Daniel Hackett  
Wild Drake Pty Ltd

Also by email:

Dear Messrs Johnston and Hackett

**APPROVAL OF LATER DATE – HALLS ISLAND APPROVALS (DEED OF VARIATION) – WILD  
DRAKE PTY LTD (IN LIQUIDATION)**

I refer to Mr Hackett's email correspondence to Mr Jason Jacobi, Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania, of 5 March 2026, requesting an extension to the relevant clauses relating to approvals in the agreement ("Agreement") providing for lease and licence rights over land at and near Lake Malbena, made in 2018 between the Honourable Elise Nicole Archer MP, the then Minister administering the *National Parks and Reserves Management Act 2002*, and Wild Drake Pty Ltd (as it then was, which entity is now understood to be in liquidation), as previously varied by a deed dated 2 June 2022 ("Deed") entered into between the Honourable Jacqueline Anne Petrusma MP, the then Minister, and Wild Drake Pty Ltd as it then was and as varied by multiple letters prior to this correspondence.

I am responding in my capacity as acting Minister for Parks.

Subject to all other terms of this letter, for the purposes of clauses 2.1(a), 2.1(b)(i) and 2.1(b)(ii) of the Agreement (being those provisions inserted into the Agreement by the Deed), I hereby approve the date of 31 March 2027 in replacement of all existing dates previously applying in those clauses as being such a later date as I have now hereby approved.

I hereby reserve all other rights available to me as Minister under the Agreement, including any that may have arisen as a result of Wild Drake Pty Ltd going into liquidation, and the ability to exercise my absolute discretion in the future as to whether to approve any further later date in any of those said clauses 2.1(a), 2.1(b)(i) and 2.1(b)(ii) of the Agreement.

I note that Mr Hackett has also requested in the same correspondence that the order of approvals set out in the Deed be altered. No other amendment is made to the Agreement at this time.

Notwithstanding that the heritage hut is under a separate lease and not associated with this extension, I take this opportunity to remind you, both as the Minister for Heritage and as the acting Minister for Parks, that it is my expectation that you will respond promptly to the requests made by Mr Jacobi and departmental officers to take immediate efforts to inspect and respond to claims made regarding the condition of the hut and the potential need for maintenance. It is my expectation that any inspections and works are conducted and completed prior to this winter season.

For any further enquiries, please contact Andrew Harvey, Manager, Tourism Projects and Programs, Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania. Mr Harvey can be contacted by phone on [REDACTED] or by email at [Andrew.Harvey@parks.tas.gov.au](mailto:Andrew.Harvey@parks.tas.gov.au).

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. Ogilvie', written in a cursive style.

Hon Madeleine Ogilvie MP  
**Minister for Environment**  
acting for and on behalf of the  
**Minister for Parks**

31 March 2026