NSW SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

Final Determination

The Scientific Committee, established by the *Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995* (the Act), has made a Final Determination to remove *Callitriche cyclocarpa* Hegelm. from the Schedules of the Act by omitting reference to this species from Part 1 of Schedule 2 (Vulnerable species). The omission of species from the Schedules is provided for by Part 2 of the Act.

The Scientific Committee has found that:

- 1. *Callitriche cyclocarpa* Hegelm. (Western Water-star) (family Callitrichaceae) was considered to be restricted to New South Wales (NSW) and Victoria (Jeanes 1999).
- 2. *Callitriche cyclocarpa* is listed under the Act as Vulnerable and is not listed under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).
- 3. Bean (2007) assessed the taxonomic status of *Callitriche cyclocarpa* when revising the genus for Australia and determined that it was a synonym of *C. umbonata* Hegelm., a taxon not listed under the Act nor under the EPBC Act. Bean (2007) has been followed in PlanNET (2016) and the Australian Plant Census (APC 2016).
- 4. In view of the above, the Scientific Committee is of the opinion that *Callitriche cyclocarpa* Hegelm. is no longer eligible to be listed as a Vulnerable species in Part 1 of Schedule 2 of the Act.

Dr Mark Eldridge Chairperson Scientific Committee

Exhibition period: 16/12/16 – 10/02/17

Proposed Gazettal date: 16/12/16

References:

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