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Blue Mountains Conservation Society welcomes new government

The Blue Mountains Conservation Society (BMCS) congratulates the Liberal-Nationals on their election results and welcomes the opportunity to work with new Minister's to ensure the conservation of the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area.

"A new government has been elected and we welcome the opportunity to form relationships with the recently elected members of parliament that will help us continue our important work and safeguard the future of the Greater Blue Mountains World Heritage Area" says Tara Cameron, Vice President.

"The scrapping of Part 3a under the EP&A Act is a welcome change in policy. BMCS's campaigns to protect our uniquely biodiverse and geodiverse areas such as the Gardens of Stone reserve proposal will rely on open and transparent decision making.

"The Premier promises 'real change' and we trust this will involve working with all stakeholders equally on environmental issues.

"The BMCS sees 'real change' bringing better results for our natural environment. Strategic planning changes that will review the environmentally destructive coal and gas industry are favourable, however we note that within the new Coalition Government's 'Strategic Regional Land Use Plan' natural heritage, comprising both biodiversity and geodiversity, have not been included.

"We are encouraged by the appointment of the Minister for the Environment and Heritage, Robyn Parker. The Blue Mountains Conservation Society invites all politicians to visit the Gardens of Stone area to see first hand the stunning areas under threat from mining."

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