**NOTICE**

**8 May 2019**

*Notice under section 153G of the Radiocommunications Act 1992*

**Proposed re-allocation of the 26 GHz frequency band**

The Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) has prepared a draft recommendation to the minister responsible for the communications portfolio that they make a spectrum re-allocation declaration under subsection 153B(1) of the *Radiocommunications Act 1992* (the Act).

In this notice, the range of numbers that identifies a frequency band includes the higher but not the lower number.

**Terms of the draft recommendation**

The terms of the draft recommendation are that the frequency range between   
25.1–27.5 GHz in 34 cities and regional centres in Australia (specified areas) be   
re-allocated by issuing spectrum licences. The specified areas are defined by the Hierarchical Cell Identification Scheme (HCIS) identifiers set out in Table 1.

The terms of the draft recommendation also propose that:

* a re-allocation period of two-and-a-half years be specified for all parts of the spectrum subject to re-allocation
* a re-allocation deadline be set for 12 months before the end of the two-and-a-half year re-allocation period for the declaration.

**Invitation to comment**

The ACMA invites potentially-affected apparatus licensees to give the ACMA written comments about the terms of the draft recommendation, as set out in this notice, by **close of business**, **Thursday** **6 June 2019**.

The ACMA’s consultation paper on the draft recommendation is available on the ACMA website at [acma.gov.au/consultations](http://www.acma.gov.au/consultations).

Comments should be sent to:

By post: The Manager  
Major Spectrum Allocations Section  
Spectrum Allocations Branch  
Australian Communications and Media Authority  
PO Box 78  
Belconnen ACT 2616

Online Via the comment function or by uploading a document on the consultation web page. Submissions in Microsoft Word or Rich Text Format are preferred.

**Table 1: HCIS identifiers for 34 cities and regional centres in Australia**

The Australian Spectrum Map Grid (ASMG) is used to define geographical areas over which spectrum licences are issued. The Hierarchical Cell Identification Scheme (HCIS) is a naming convention developed by the ACMA that applies unique ‘names’ to each of the cells that make up the ASMG. The ASMG and HCIS are described in detail in [*The Australian spectrum map grid 2012*](https://www.acma.gov.au/-/media/Spectrum-Engineering/Information/pdf/australian_spectrum_map_grid_28feb2012-pdf.pdf?la=en).

The HCIS identifiers in the table below can be converted into a Placemark file (viewable in Google Earth) through the facility at: [www.acma.gov.au/theACMA/convert-hcis-area-description-to-a-placemark](http://www.acma.gov.au/theACMA/convert-hcis-area-description-to-a-placemark).

| Specified area | HCIS identifiers |
| --- | --- |
| Adelaide | IW3J, IW3K, IW3L, IW3N, IW3O, IW3P, IW6B, IW6C, IW6D, IW6F, IW6G, IW6H, IW3E5, IW3E6, IW3E8, IW3E9, IW3F4, IW3F5, IW3F6, IW3F7, IW3F8, IW3F9, IW3G4, IW3G5, IW3G6, IW3G7, IW3G8, IW3G9, IW3H4, IW3H5, IW3H6, IW3H7, IW3H8, IW3H9, IW3I2, IW3I3, IW3I5, IW3I6, IW3I8, IW3I9, IW3M2, IW3M3, IW3M5, IW3M6, IW3M8, IW3M9, IW6A2, IW6A3, IW6A5, IW6A6, IW6A8, IW6A9, IW6E2, IW6E3, IW6E5, IW6E6, IW6E8, IW6E9, IW6K1, IW6K2, IW6K3, IW6K4, IW6K5, IW6K6, IW6L1, JW1E4, JW1E7, JW1I1, JW1I4, JW1I7, JW1M1, JW1M4 |
| Albany | BW3P7, BW3P8, BW3P9, BW6D1, BW6D2, BW6D3, BW6D4, BW6D5, BW6D6, CW1M7, CW4A1, CW4A4 |
| Albury | LW8D, LW5P7, LW5P8, LW5P9, LW6M7, LW9A1, LW9A4, LW9A7 |
| Armidale | NU7G8, NU7G9, NU7K2, NU7K3 |
| Ballarat | KX2L, KX2G9, KX2H7, KX2H8, KX2H9, KX2K3, KX2K6, KX2K9 |
| Bathurst | MV8G, MV8F3, MV8F6, MV8F9, MV8J3, MV8K1, MV8K2, MV8K3 |
| Bendigo | KW9I5, KW9I6, KW9I8, KW9I9, KW9J4, KW9J5, KW9J6, KW9J7, KW9J8, KW9J9, KW9M2, KW9M3, KW9M5, KW9M6, KW9N1, KW9N2, KW9N3, KW9N4, KW9N5, KW9N6 |
| Brisbane | NT9, NT8C, NT8D, NT8G, NT8H, NT8K, NT8L, NT8O, NT8P, NU3A, NU3B, NU3C, NU3D, NU3F, NU3G, NU3H, NU3K, NU3L, NU3O, NU3P, NT5O4, NT5O5, NT5O6, NT5O7, NT5O8, NT5O9, NT5P4, NT5P5, NT5P6, NT5P7, NT5P8, NT5P9, NT6M4, NT6M5, NT6M6, NT6M7, NT6M8, NT6M9, NT6N4, NT6N5, NT6N6, NT6N7, NT6N8, NT6N9, NT6O4, NT6O5, NT6O6, NT6O7, NT6O8, NT6O9, NT6P4, NT6P5, NT6P6, NT6P7, NT6P8, NT6P9, NU2C1, NU2C2, NU2C3, NU2D1, NU2D2, NU2D3, NU2D5, NU2D6, NU2D8, NU2D9, NU2H2, NU2H3, NU3E1, NU3E2, NU3E3, NU3E5, NU3E6, NU3E8, NU3E9, NU3I2, NU3I3, NU3J1, NU3J2, NU3J3, NU3N3, NU3N6 |
| Bunbury | BV7G, BV7C4, BV7C5, BV7C6, BV7C7, BV7C8, BV7C9, BV7D4, BV7D5, BV7D7, BV7D8, BV7H1, BV7H2, BV7H4, BV7H5, BV7H7, BV7H8, BV7K1, BV7K2, BV7K3, BV7L1, BV7L2 |
| Bundaberg | NS8N, NS8M2, NS8M3, NS8M5, NS8M6, NS8M8, NS8M9, NT2A2, NT2A3, NT2B1, NT2B2, NT2B3 |
| Cairns | LQ1O, LQ1P, LQ1K7, LQ1K8, LQ1K9, LQ1L7, LQ1L8, LQ1L9, LQ4C1, LQ4C2, LQ4C3, LQ4C4, LQ4C5, LQ4C6, LQ4D1, LQ4D2, LQ4D3, LQ4D4, LQ4D5, LQ4D6 |
| Canberra | MW5E, MW4D6, MW4D9, MW4H3, MW4H9, MW4L3, MW5A4, MW5A5, MW5A6, MW5A7, MW5A8, MW5A9, MW5B4, MW5B7, MW5F1, MW5F4, MW5F7, MW5I1, MW5I2, MW5I3, MW5J1 |
| Coffs Harbour | NU9A, NU9E, NU8D9, NU8H3, NU8H6, NU8H9 |
| Darwin | GO7C, GO7D, GO7G, GO7H, GO7K, GO7L, GO8A, GO8E, GO8I |
| Hervey Bay | NT2C8, NT2C9, NT2D7, NT2D8, NT2D9, NT2G2, NT2G3, NT2G5, NT2G6, NT2H1, NT2H2, NT2H3, NT2H4, NT2H5, NT2H6 |
| Hobart | LY9N, LY9I8, LY9I9, LY9J7, LY9J8, LY9J9, LY9K7, LY9K8, LY9M2, LY9M3, LY9M5, LY9M6, LY9M8, LY9M9, LY9O1, LY9O2, LY9O4, LY9O5, LY9O7, LY9O8, LZ3A2, LZ3A3, LZ3B1, LZ3B2, LZ3B3, LZ3C1, LZ3C2 |
| Launceston | LY6E, LY5H3, LY5H6, LY5H9, LY5L3, LY5L6, LY6F1, LY6F4, LY6F7, LY6I1, LY6I2, LY6I3, LY6I4, LY6I5, LY6I6, LY6J1, LY6J4 |
| Lismore | NU3M3, NU3M6, NU3N1, NU3N2, NU3N4, NU3N5 |
| Mackay | MR8A, MR5M7, MR5M8, MR5M9 |
| Margaret River | AV9P6, AV9P9, AW3D3, BV7M4, BV7M5, BV7M7, BV7M8, BW1A1, BW1A2 |
| Melbourne | KX3J, KX3K, KX3L, KX3N, KX3O, KX3P, KX6B, KX6C, KX6D, KX6F, KX6G, KX6H, KX6J, KX6K, KX6L, LX1I, LX1M, LX1N, LX1O, LX4A, LX4B, LX4C, LX4E, LX4I, KX3F7, KX3F8, KX3F9, KX3G7, KX3G8, KX3G9, KX3H4, KX3H5, KX3H6, KX3H7, KX3H8, KX3H9, KX3M6, KX3M8, KX3M9, KX6A2, KX6A3, KX6A5, KX6A6, KX6A8, KX6A9, KX6E2, KX6E3, KX6E5, KX6E6, KX6E8, KX6E9, KX6I2, KX6I3, KX6I5, KX6I6, KX6I8, KX6I9, LX1E4, LX1E7, LX1E8, LX1E9, LX1J1, LX1J4, LX1J5, LX1J6, LX1J7, LX1J8, LX1J9, LX1K4, LX1K7, LX4F1, LX4F2, LX4F4, LX4F5, LX4F7, LX4F8, LX4J1, LX4J2, LX4J4, LX4J5, LX4J7, LX4J8 |
| Mildura | KW1A4, KW1A5, KW1A6, KW1A7, KW1A8, KW1A9, KW1E1, KW1E2, KW1E3 |
| Perth | BV1I, BV1J, BV1K, BV1L, BV1M, BV1N, BV1O, BV1P, BV2I, BV2J, BV2M, BV2N, BV4A, BV4B, BV4C, BV4D, BV4E, BV4F, BV4G, BV4H, BV4I, BV4J, BV4K, BV4L, BV5A, BV5B, BV5E, BV5F, BV5I, BV5J, BV1E7, BV1E8, BV1E9, BV1F7, BV1F8, BV1F9, BV1G7, BV1G8, BV1G9, BV1H7, BV1H8, BV1H9, BV2E7, BV2E8, BV2E9, BV2F7, BV2F8, BV2F9, BV4M1, BV4M2, BV4M3, BV4N1, BV4N2, BV4N3, BV4O1, BV4O2, BV4O3, BV4P1, BV4P2, BV4P3, BV5M1, BV5M2, BV5M3, BV5N1, BV5N2, BV5N3 |
| Port Macquarie | NV2H, NV2L1, NV2L2, NV2L3 |
| Rockhampton | MS6F, MS6G, MS6B7, MS6B8, MS6B9, MS6C7, MS6C8, MS6C9, MS6J1, MS6J2, MS6J3, MS6K1, MS6K2, MS6K3 |
| Shepparton-Mooroopna | LW7F, LW7G1, LW7G4, LW7G7, LW7J1, LW7J2, LW7J3, LW7K1 |
| Sunshine Coast | NT5G, NT5H, NT5K, NT5L, NT6E, NT6F, NT6G, NT6H, NT6I, NT6J, NT6K, NT6L, NT5C4, NT5C5, NT5C6, NT5C7, NT5C8, NT5C9, NT5D4, NT5D5, NT5D6, NT5D7, NT5D8, NT5D9, NT5O1, NT5O2, NT5O3, NT5P1, NT5P2, NT5P3, NT6A4, NT6A5, NT6A6, NT6A7, NT6A8, NT6A9, NT6B4, NT6B5, NT6B6, NT6B7, NT6B8, NT6B9, NT6C4, NT6C5, NT6C6, NT6C7, NT6C8, NT6C9, NT6D4, NT6D5, NT6D6, NT6D7, NT6D8, NT6D9, NT6M1, NT6M2, NT6M3, NT6N1, NT6N2, NT6N3, NT6O1, NT6O2, NT6O3, NT6P1, NT6P2, NT6P3 |
| Sydney | NW1, MV9I, MV9J, MV9K, MV9L, MV9M, MV9N, MV9O, MV9P, MW3C, MW3D, MW3G, MW3H, MW3K, MW3L, MW3O, MW3P, MW6C, MW6D, NV4N, NV4O, NV4P, NV5M, NV5N, NV5O, NV5P, NV7B, NV7C, NV7D, NV7E, NV7F, NV7G, NV7H, NV7I, NV7J, NV7K, NV7L, NV7M, NV7N, NV7O, NV7P, MV9D6, MV9D9, MV9E4, MV9E5, MV9E6, MV9E7, MV9E8, MV9E9, MV9F4, MV9F5, MV9F6, MV9F7, MV9F8, MV9F9, MV9G4, MV9G5, MV9G6, MV9G7, MV9G8, MV9G9, MV9H3, MV9H4, MV9H5, MV9H6, MV9H7, MV9H8, MV9H9, MW3B2, MW3B3, MW3B5, MW3B6, MW3B8, MW3B9, MW3F2, MW3F3, MW3F5, MW3F6, MW3F8, MW3F9, MW3J2, MW3J3, NV4I5, NV4I6, NV4I8, NV4I9, NV4J4, NV4J5, NV4J6, NV4J7, NV4J8, NV4J9, NV4K4, NV4K5, NV4K6, NV4K7, NV4K8, NV4K9, NV4L4, NV4L5, NV4L6, NV4L7, NV4L8, NV4L9, NV4M2, NV4M3, NV4M5, NV4M6, NV4M8, NV4M9, NV5I4, NV5I5, NV5I6, NV5I7, NV5I8, NV5I9, NV5J4, NV5J5, NV5J6, NV5J7, NV5J8, NV5J9, NV5K4, NV5K5, NV5K6, NV5K7, NV5K8, NV5K9, NV5L4, NV5L5, NV5L6, NV5L7, NV5L8, NV5L9, NV7A2, NV7A3, NV7A4, NV7A5, NV7A6, NV7A7, NV7A8, NV7A9 |
| Toowoomba | NT7H, NT7L, NT8E, NT8F, NT8I, NT8J, NT7G2, NT7G3, NT7G5, NT7G6, NT7G8, NT7G9, NT7K2, NT7K3, NT7K5, NT7K6, NT7K8, NT7K9, NT7O2, NT7O3, NT7O5, NT7O6, NT7P1, NT7P2, NT7P3, NT7P4, NT7P5, NT7P6, NT8M1, NT8M2, NT8M3, NT8M4, NT8M5, NT8M6, NT8N1, NT8N2, NT8N3, NT8N4, NT8N5, NT8N6 |
| Townsville | LR2C, LR2D, LR2G, LR2H |
| Traralgon-Morwell | LX5A6, LX5A8, LX5A9, LX5B4, LX5B5, LX5B6, LX5B7, LX5B8, LX5B9, LX5C4, LX5C5, LX5C7, LX5C8, LX5F1, LX5F2, LX5F3, LX5G1, LX5G2 |
| Tuncurry-Forster | NV5B6, NV5B9, NV5C4, NV5C5, NV5C7, NV5C8, NV5F3, NV5G1, NV5G2 |
| Wagga Wagga | LW6B |
| Warrnambool | KX4F2, KX4F3, KX4F5, KX4F6, KX4F8, KX4F9, KX4G1, KX4G2, KX4G4, KX4G5, KX4G7, KX4G8 |