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NEW LEADERSHIP FOR PARKS VICTORIA

New leadership appointments for Parks Victoria to make sure that Victoria's public land remains open and accessible for all Victorians to enjoy.

Minister for the Environment Steve Dimopoulos today announced the appointment of Lee Miezis as the new CEO of Parks Victoria bringing new leadership and experience to the role as more Victorians are getting out to enjoy the great outdoors.

Mr Miezis was previously the CEO of Environment Protection Authority Victoria and has held senior executive roles across Government including the inaugural CEO of Bushfire Recovery Victoria (now Emergency Recovery Victoria) and as a Deputy Secretary in the Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action.

A resident of regional Victoria and having started his career in forest management, Lee brings a good appreciation of the practical challenges and opportunities that Victoria's great outdoors offers.

As CEO, Mr Miezis will oversee the management of Victoria's diverse network of parks and reserves, ensuring they remain accessible and enjoyable for all visitors while protecting the states natural environment.

The Parks Victoria Board will also move in a new direction, with several new appointments to the Board. The new incoming Chair, Daniel Miller will be joined by Professor Kate Auty, Graeme (Gus) Dear, Trent Nelson and Chris Newton, while Lisa Marty and Gill Sparkes AM will remain as Board Members.

The new Board brings a raft of skills and experience aligned to the new vision for Parks Victoria, including across community engagement, strategic governance, Traditional Owner engagement and financial management.

Parks Victoria's estate attracts more than 100 million visits every year and the agency is focused on providing accessible and enjoyable experiences while protecting environmental and cultural values.

Quotes attributable to Minister for the Environment Steve Dimopoulos

"We are thrilled to welcome Lee Miezis to Parks Victoria, his leadership and expertise will be invaluable as we continue to improve access and experiences to Victoria's great outdoors."

"I want to thank the outgoing CEO, board chair and members for their commitment and dedication in overseeing a range of improvements and key projects across Parks Victoria during their tenure, and I look forward to working with the new members to ensure Parks Victoria meets the needs of all Victorians."

Quote attributable to CEO Parks Victoria Lee Miezis

"I look forward to working with the team to ensure access to our beautiful, ensuring that future generations can enjoy the benefits of the great outdoors."