

MINISTRY OF THE ENVIRONMENT SUBMITS DRAFT REGULATION OF THE NATIONAL SYSTEM OF PROTECTED AREAS FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION

On **February 20, 2026**, the Chilean Ministry of the Environment initiated the **public consultation process for the Draft Regulation of the National System of Protected Areas** (the “Draft Regulation”). The purpose of this regulation is to establish the provisions governing the **National System of Protected Areas (“SNAP”)**.

The Draft Regulation addresses, among others, the following key aspects:

- **Procedures and requirements for the creation, modification, and removal of State protected areas**, including criteria and stages for their designation or modification.
- **Regulation of management plans for State protected areas**, which will serve as the main planning instruments for their administration and conservation.
- **Creation of private protected areas**, establishing rules for their incorporation into the system.
- **Regime and benefits applicable to private protected areas**, including the conditions under which they may be integrated into the national system.

The Draft Regulation will be **subject to public consultation for a period of 30 business days** from its publication in the Official Gazette, which will run **until April 6, 2026**.

Comments may be submitted by **any natural or legal person** through the electronic platform made available by the Ministry of the Environment (<https://consultaciudadanas.mma.gob.cl/portal>) or in writing before the Ministry or the respective Regional Ministerial Secretariats.

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