

YAMATJI NATION SOUTHERN REGIONAL AGREEMENT (YNSRA)

NOTICE OF TWO DAY YAMATJI NATION CLAIM (WAD 345/2019) INFORMATION SESSION AND AUTHORISATION MEETING (NIAA FUNDED)

<p>DAY 1 Date: 8 December 2019 Venue: 1 Edward Road Geraldton</p>	<p>Registration: All day, from 7.00am Start Time: 9.30am Finish Time: 4.30pm</p>
<p>DAY 2 Date: 9 December 2019 Venue: Sun City Christian Centre 14 Assen Street Rangeway 6530</p>	<p>Registration: 7.00am to 10.00am Start Time: 10.00am Finish Time: 4.30pm</p>

Day 1 – Purpose of the information session on 8 December 2019

Day 1 will be an information session on the entire settlement package with the State of Western Australia in relation to the Separate Proceeding Area (**SPA**) (refer to the map below) including the details of:

- the Consent Determination of Native Title in respect of the Yamatji Nation claim and other claims in the SPA;
- Indigenous Land Use Agreement (area agreement) between the Applicant on behalf of the Yamatji Nation claim group, other native title claim groups in the SPA, the State of Western Australia and other Western Australian Government entities over all the land and waters contained in the external boundaries of the SPA (**ILUA**);
- the Constitution of the Yamatji Southern Regional Corporation Ltd (proposed Regional Entity);
- the Rulebook of Bundi Yamatji Aboriginal Corporation (proposed prescribed body corporate); and
- the Yamatji Charitable Trust.

The information session will be presented as an “**Expo**” at 1 Edward Road, Geraldton (the **building**). Yamatji Nation native title claim group members (along with other persons who may hold native title in the SPA including native title claimants for the other claim groups in the SPA) are invited to walk through the building in which information about the settlement package with the State will be on display and in print. Legal advisers and YMAC staff will be present to explain the various aspects of the settlement package and to answer questions. If you are not sure whether you are a member of the Yamatji Nation native title claim group (defined below), you can come along and speak to the YMAC anthropologists to find out.

Day 2 – The purposes of the authorisation meeting on 9 December 2019

1. **CONSIDER** and **CONFIRM** the decision-making process for the making of decisions at the authorisation meeting.

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2. **CONSIDER** anthropological and legal advice regarding proposed additional apical ancestors: John Una Councillor; Mary Nundie (mother of John 'Jack' Cotterill); Eliza (mother of Grace Broad); Woondoorra (grandmother of Bessie Flynn); Eeranyoo (great grandfather of Bessie Flynn); Punch; Noogy (grandmother of Sarah Jane Campbell and Minnie Campbell); and Jane Cotter (mother of Sarah Mabel Bell and Patrick John Bell).
3. Subject to (2) above **AUTHORISE** the amendment of the claim group description for the Yamatji Nation Claim to:
 - a. include the descendants of: John Una Councillor, Mary Nundie (mother of John 'Jack' Cotterill), Eliza (mother of Grace Broad), Woondoorra (grandmother of Bessie Flynn), Eeranyoo (great grandfather of Bessie Flynn), and Punch;
 - b. amend the reference to Sarah Jane Campbell, to instead refer to Noogy (grandmother of Sarah Jane Campbell and Minnie Campbell);
 - c. amend the reference to Sarah Mabel Bell, to instead refer to Jane Cotter (mother of Sarah Mabel Bell and Patrick John Bell).
4. Subject to (3) above **AUTHORISE** the current members of the Applicant to continue to be the Applicant for the Yamatji Nation Claim and to deal with matters arising in relation to it.
5. **DISCUSS** and **CONSIDER** the background and the purpose of the proposed ILUA and consider legal advice regarding the ILUA.
6. Subject to (5) above, **AUTHORISE** some or all of the members of the Applicant for the Yamatji Nation Claim to execute (sign) the ILUA on behalf of the members of the claim group for the Yamatji Nation Claim.
7. **DISCUSS** and **CONSIDER** the Rules of the Bundi Yamatji Aboriginal Corporation and the Constitution of the Yamatji Southern Regional Corporation Ltd.
8. Subject to (7) above, **AUTHORISE** the Rules and the incorporation of the Bundi Yamatji Aboriginal Corporation and the Constitution and incorporation of the Yamatji Southern Regional Corporation Ltd.
9. Nomination and appointment of the placeholder directors of the Bundi Yamatji Aboriginal Corporation and the Yamatji Southern Regional Corporation Ltd.
10. **DISCUSS** and **CONSIDER** a Minute of Consent Determination of Native Title for the SPA.
11. Subject to (10) above, **AUTHORISE** the Applicant for the Yamatji Nation Claim to consent to the Minute of Consent Determination of Native Title, including:
 - a. The amendment of the Yamatji Nation Claim to combine it with the Southern Yamatji, Hutt River, Mullewa Wadjari and Widi Mob claims.
 - b. The proposed description of Yamatji Nation native title holders (being the proposed amended Yamatji Nation claim group referred to above).

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- c. Areas where native title will not exist (because of extinguishment and surrender of native title under the ILUA), and areas where non-exclusive native title will be recognised in the SPA.
- d. Description of the non-exclusive native title rights and interests to be recognised in areas within the SPA.
- e. Nomination of Bundi Yamatji Aboriginal Corporation as a Prescribed Body Corporate to hold native title on trust for the Yamatji Nation native title holders.

12. Any other general business in relation to the above matters.

Who should attend the information session and authorisation meeting on Day 1 and Day 2?

Current members of the native title claim group for the Yamatji Nation Claim described below, and other persons described below.

The **current members of the native title claim group** for the Yamatji Nation Claim are people who satisfy (a) and (b) below:

(a) People who are descendants of the following apical ancestors:

- Ap-barra (Upparawa) and Dharringa
- Annie Tira
- Biddie (mother of Fred Carnamah)
- Billy and Judy Thompson
- Brindy
- Cissie Broad
- Galena
- Jane Hunt
- Jibija (Rosie Jones)
- Lizzy Flynn
- Mary Gingina
- Nellie
- Rosie (mother of Walter Ninghan)
- Rosie Coleman
- Sarah Broad
- Sarah Jane Campell
- Sarah Mabel Bell
- Sarah Feast (Joldarnoo)
- Shilling

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- Timothy Benjamin
- Uanda
- Wyoo and Myonada

The term “descendants” includes Aboriginal persons who have been adopted as children or raised (grown up) as part of the family of descendants referred to in (a) above; **AND**

- (b) In addition to (a), those descendants must also identify as Yamatji People who are connected under the traditional Yamatji laws and customs with the land and waters in the SPA and be accepted as such by other SPA People.

Others who are invited to attend are people who are **proposed to be included in the amended claim group**, being people who are not members of the current claim group and who satisfy (c) and (d) below:

- (c) People who are descendants of the following apical ancestors:

- John Una Councillor
- Mary Nundie (mother of John ‘Jack’ Cotterill)
- Eliza (mother of Grace Broad)
- Punch
- Noogy (grandmother of Sarah Jane Campbell and Minnie Campbell)
- Jane Cotter (mother of SarahMabel Bell and Patrick John Bell)
- Woondora (grandmother of Bessie Flynn)
- Eeranyoo (great grandfather of Bessie Flynn)

The term “descendants” includes Aboriginal persons who have been adopted as children or raised (grown up) as part of the family of descendants referred to in (a) above; **AND**

- (d) In addition to (c), those descendants must also identify as Yamatji People who are connected under the traditional Yamatji laws and customs with the land and waters in the SPA and be accepted as such by other SPA People.

If you have **any queries about whether you are a person who may attend** the information session or authorization meeting, please:

- Before 8 December 2019, call YMAC’s Perth Office on (08) 9268 7000 to speak with anthropologists, Aimee Lamatoa or Luke May; and/or
- Come to 1 Edward Road Geraldton on Day 1 (8 December 2019).

For other queries, please call YMAC’s Geraldton Office on (08) 9965 6222 to speak with Kenneth Capewell or Carrum Mourambine.

Travel and Accommodation will be paid according to YMAC policies for in-house DPMC funded claimant group meetings. **No sitting fees will be paid.**

Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided.

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