

Notice of Consultation Meeting

5 April 2022



Yinhawangka Aboriginal Corporation (YAC) wishes to consult with the Yinhawangka Common Law Holders (CLH) of the Jardunha and Minatangunha Apical groups.

BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT

On 28 March 2022 YAC joined the Federal Court as a respondent party to the Yinhawangka Gobawarra Native Title Claim (**YG Claim**). YAC did not consent to, nor did it oppose this joinder following legal advice from HWL Ebsworth Lawyers.

The YG Claim cannot be determined until there is a Prescribed Body Corporate (**PBC**) nominated that can hold the YG Native Title. YAC has been asked whether it will be the PBC for the area in the YG Claim, which the Federal Court will determine YG native title (**YG Area**). The YG Area includes an overlap area where both YG and Jurruru will hold native title. See **attached** map of the proposed Determination Area.

The decision for YAC to be the PBC for the nominated YG Native Title area, is to be made by the Yinhawangka CLHs. It is important that Yinhawangka CLHs have every opportunity to understand this process, clarify concerns they might have, and be able to attend a CLHs meeting and vote confidently on their position. YAC expects to call an Yinhawangka CLHs meeting in mid-2022. YAC is calling consultation meetings with Yinhawangka CLHs to seek their input on the matters.

PURPOSE OF THESE CONSULTATION SESSIONS:

- To update Yinhawangka CLHs on the YG Claim and request of YAC to act as PBC for the YG Area.
- To explain YACs position, why YAC is now a party to the YG Claim and discuss the matter of being the PBC for the YG Area.
- To explain the essential and optional changes to the YAC Rulebook **if** it was to be the PBC for the YG Area.
- To understand the views and perspectives from the CLHs about whether YAC should act as the PBC for the YG Area, and if so, on what basis.
- To prepare Yinhawangka People and give them enough time to consider their positions in the lead up to an Yinhawangka CLHs meeting in mid- 2022.

Consultation Dates:

- Paraburdoo Tuesday 19 April 2022, Ashburton Hall, 10am – 12pm
- Karratha Thursday 21 April 2022, Karratha Leisureplex, Dampier Road, 10am – 12pm
- Karratha Thursday 21 April 2022, Karratha Leisureplex Dampier Road, 6pm – 8pm
- South Hedland Friday 22 April 2022, Wanangkura Stadium, 10am – 12pm
- Perth Tuesday 26 April 2022, Bakers House 10 Welcome Meander, Harrisdale, 10am – 12pm
- Perth Tuesday 26 April 2022, Bakers House 10 Welcome Meander, Harrisdale, 6pm – 8pm

Who will be running these consultations?

Kupa Teao, YAC CEO with support of YAC lawyer, Philip Hunter of HWL Ebsworth Lawyers.

More Information

- No payments are made for these meetings.
- Light catering and refreshments will be provided.
- If you have any queries please contact admin@yinhawangka.com.au or call (08) 9189 5110.

If you have COVID-19, are a close contact or experiencing any flu like symptoms please do not attend.

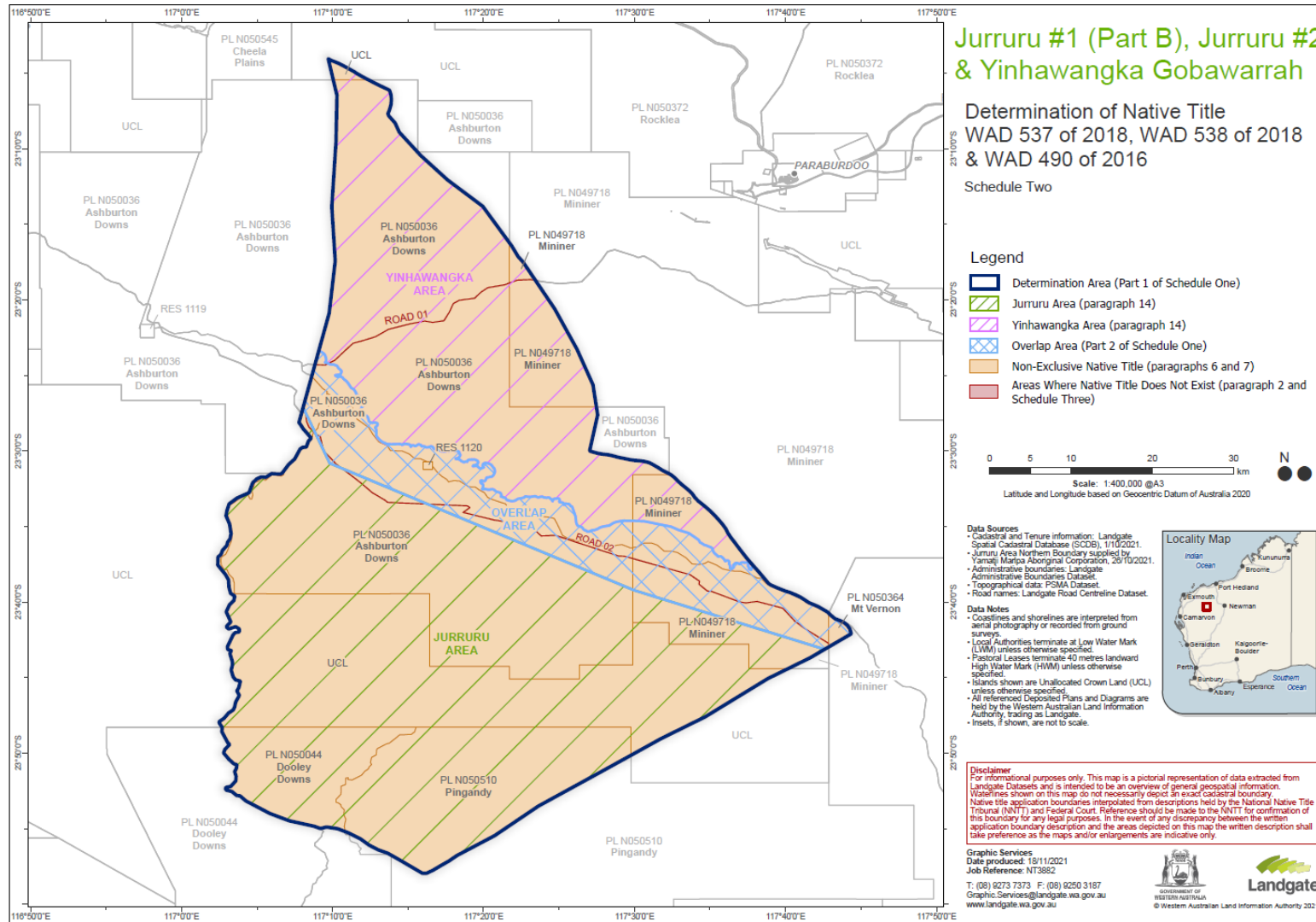
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MAP OF JURRURU AND YINHAWANGKA GOBAWARRAH NATIVETITLE DETERMINATION AREAS



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