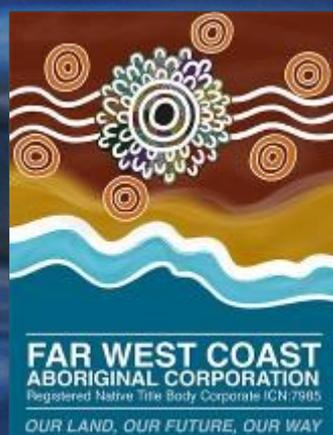




**ANNUAL  
REPORT  
2015-2016**

**FAR WEST COAST  
ABORIGINAL  
CORPORATION  
AND  
GROUP OF ENTITIES**



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- 2016 Directors

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# 2016 Board of Directors' Message

We take great pleasure in presenting the 2015/2016 Annual Report for the Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation.

This report details the achievements and progress of the Corporation towards accomplishing its objectives in Native Title, economic gains and community development.

The report also seeks to provide information and updates to members and other stakeholders across the diverse operations of the Far West Coast Group of Entities.

The year of 2016 has brought with it many serious challenges for the Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation and its Board of Directors. Australia's interest in minerals, resources and mining has the Far West Coast region firmly in the sights of explorers and multi-national companies for the foreseeable future.

Lodging the Far West Coast Sea Claim has been an important native title milestone in 2015/2016.

Along with land based impacts, the imminent threat of oil drilling off our coastline was a major concern for the environment and wildlife of the FWCAC region. The news in October 2016 that BP had "pulled out" of the plans to drill in early 2017 was very satisfying. Protecting the Native Title Rights and Interests and protecting the land and sea for Far West Coast Aboriginal Peoples remains the focus for this corporation.

We hope you enjoy the 2015/2016 Annual Report.

## 2015/2016 Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation Directors



The first FWCAC Board of Director's Meeting in the new Boardroom: Jeremy LeBois for Bruce Hogan, Georgina Stockfish, Edward Roberts, Maryanne Clements, April Lawrie, Barry Johncock, Sandy Miller (FWCI) Peter Miller, Emily Ware (FWCI) Robert Larking (FWCI), Oscar Richards, John Mungee, Sue Haseldine and Keith Peters.

## Changes to the Aboriginal Heritage Act

In 2016 changes to the Aboriginal Heritage Act prompted the FWCAC to write to Minister Maher and petition for consultation on the impact of the changes. This was not sustained. The FWCAC recognises a number of risks and larger issues for cultural and land management practices that these changes will bring. The changes threaten to minimalise Aboriginal involvement.

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## Release of Nullarbor Exploration Leases

With a very short announcement to application period of 10 days, 6 Exploration Licences on the Nullarbor were released by the state government. The exploration area is within the Coompana region. Directors learned that Oz Minerals partnering with Mithril were successful in securing their bid for exploration across those lease areas.

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## Iluka production

In 2016, Iluka made the commercial decision to temporarily suspend production of mineral sands at Jacinth Ambrosia. Aboriginal employment has not been overly affected. Iluka aim to resume production in 2018.

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## Policies and Procedures

Throughout 2016 the FWCAC Board of Directors completed the internal policies and procedures relating to Board administration and operations. The achievement has documented internal processes and best practice procedures to enable seamless governance and observance of consistent practices.

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## Aboriginal Regional Authority

In May 2016 the FWCAC Board of Directors made the major decision to apply to become an Aboriginal Regional Authority. Directors reviewed the pros and cons of such an application. They considered the facts that FWCAC has full independence from government and having the largest member base of any Far West Coast entity that it would be well positioned to be an Aboriginal voice and leadership body across the region.

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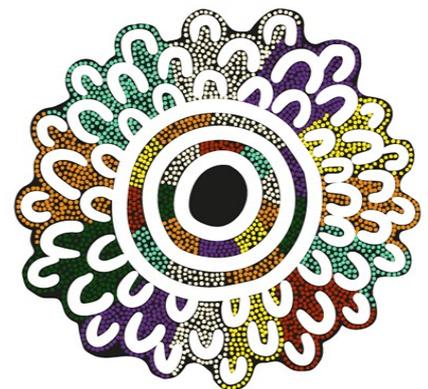
# 2016 Board of Directors' Message Continued

## Native Title Sea Claim

2016 saw the lodgement of the Far West Coast Sea Claim.

This important action stems from earlier efforts towards establishing sea rights and interests for Far West Coast Aboriginal Peoples.

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## National Native Title Conference

To improve Directors' awareness of national native title based issues impacting on the PBC, FWCAC Directors made the decision to attend the 2016 National Native Title Conference in Darwin.

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## Ministerial visit

A delegation of FWCAC Directors met with Minister Kyam Maher at their new Boardroom. This was an opportunity for the Minister to see the new office space and understand the positive impacts of Aboriginal economic development in the region, the assistance provided by the Far West Coast Aboriginal Community Trust to members and the strategic placement of the corporation in the central business district of Ceduna.

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## Advancing the Objectives of the Corporation

The Directors' actions and decision making are continually aimed at achieving outcomes for the benefit of the members and the corporation.

The objectives were set down and agreed to by the members in 2012/2013 with the formation of the FWCAC Rulebook and are the focus of the FWCAC Board of Directors.

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## Co-management Achievements

The FWCAC Board of Directors is very pleased to present the Healthy Country Plan, this plan has been the basis of considerable work, care and attention for the 2 groups: the Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board and the Nullarbor Park Advisory Committee.

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## Far West Coast Group of Entities

As a group of entities, the Far West Group now represents a diverse group of companies and businesses all with the primary aim of reaching the financial goals expressed in the Far West Coast Money Story on page 32. The Far West Coast Group of Entities has an efficient structure designed to maximise financial return and minimise risk.

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## New Office in 2016

In February 2016 the FWCAC moved into the new office building at 62 Poynton Street in Ceduna.

This building is now the home of the Far West Coast Group of Entities as FWCI, FWM&C and the FWCACCT operate from this space.

FWCAC's purchase and refurbishment of the building into multi use offices and a large conference room has transformed the space to a modern and airy environment.

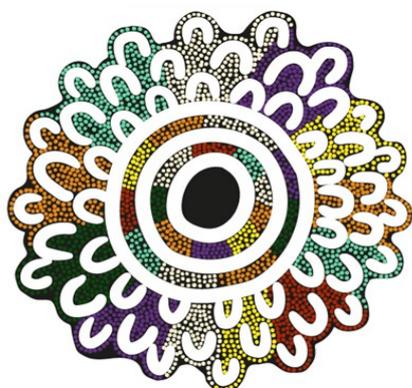
The building has 5 offices available for rental (all are rented out); there are 3 more offices - a public foyer and reception point and an administration area with a filing/ records room.

The move to the new office has been a professional launching pad. The main street location has raised the profile and boosted the visibility of the Far West Coast Group of Entities in the region.

<b>Objectives of the Corporation</b>	<b>Achievements in 2016</b>
(a) be the subject of a determination under s57 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth);	Achieved - December 5 <sup>th</sup> , 2013.
(b) become a registered native title body corporate and carry out its functions;	Achieved - December 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2013.
(c) be the prescribed body corporate for the purposes of s 57(2) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth);	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Achieved - 2014</li> <li>• Co-management commenced – 2014</li> <li>• Directors ensure Corporate Services Manager maintains database of members and contact details – 2014</li> <li>• Directors ensure Corporate Services Manager maintains FWCAC website for purpose of Native Title consultation and members' information.</li> </ul>
(d) perform the functions mentioned in s 57(3) and s 58 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) and under the Native Title (Prescribed Bodies Corporate) Regulations 1999 as amended;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consultation and Native Title update provided an Inaugural FWCAC Meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2014</li> <li>• Consultation and Native Title update provided at Special General Meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2014</li> <li>• Co-management commenced: formation of Nullarbor Advisory Committee and Yumbarra Co-Management Board</li> <li>• Provision of an office for service delivery to Far West Coast Aboriginal people - 2014</li> <li>• Directors ensure Corporate Services Manager completes annual ORIC reporting and compliance.</li> </ul>
(e) act as the representative of the common law holders the subject of the determination;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing duty and responsibility of the FWCAC as PBC</li> <li>• Native Title Claim for Sea lodged</li> <li>• Aboriginal Regional Authority Application accepted</li> <li>• Representation with various stakeholders and government</li> <li>• Ministerial Visits - Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation, Kyam Maher and Minister for Indigenous Affairs, Nigel Scullion.</li> </ul>
(f) advance the cultural, social, political, economic and legal interests of the common law holders, including by establishing legal entities to achieve these objects;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of Far West Coast Investments of the FWC Aboriginal Community Charitable Trust</li> <li>• Establishment of Far West Mining and Civil</li> <li>• Establishment of Munda Wana Wilurrara Pty Ltd - Joint Venture</li> <li>• Establishment Poynton Property Pty Ltd</li> <li>• Establishment of Tjutjuna Holdings Pty Ltd</li> <li>• 2016 Lodgement of Far West Coast Sea Claim</li> <li>• Support heritage and cultural practices of members via FWCACC Trust assistance.</li> </ul>
(g) to provide relief from poverty, sickness, suffering, misfortune, destitution or helplessness among Far West Coast Aboriginal people;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provision of member assistance via FWCACC Trust for Members</li> <li>• Membership categories to support objectives - -see page 28.</li> </ul>
(h) to implement the Far West Coast native title determination and its associated ILUAs and other agreements;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completed administrative actions to support outcomes</li> <li>• Representation to government agencies.</li> </ul>

<b>Objectives of the</b>	<b>Achievements in 2016</b>
(i) to protect the native title rights and interests of Far West Coast Aboriginal people by such means as may be lawful and reasonable;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing responsibility of FWCAC as Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC)</li> <li>• Representation to BP regarding oil drilling in the Bight</li> <li>• Cultural Monitoring on Country with researchers and explorers</li> <li>• Proposed actions articulated in Aboriginal Regional Authority Priorities</li> <li>• Appropriate policy and procedure development for administration</li> <li>• Access Inspection Survey representation</li> </ul>
(j) to enter into Native Title Mining Agreements, Indigenous Land Use Agreements and other agreements on behalf of Far West Coast Aboriginal people, and to receive any benefits by way of payments or otherwise, pursuant to such agreements;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NTMA 9B Agreement for Production - Iluka</li> <li>• NTMA 9B Agreement for Exploration - Iluka</li> <li>• NTMA 9B Agreement for Exploration Western Areas</li> <li>• Preliminary discussions with explorers under Notification of Entry Conditions</li> <li>• Research for future submission on the impact of the changes to the Aboriginal Heritage Act</li> </ul>
(k) to manage land of traditional or cultural significance (or other land) to the Far West Coast Aboriginal People and to hold any interest in such land as trustee or otherwise for the Far West Coast people;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing responsibility of FWCAC as Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC)</li> <li>• Co-management of Parks - Healthy Country planning</li> <li>• Presentation of completed Healthy Country Plan to FWCAC members</li> <li>• Ministerial appointment of Co-management of Parks bodies.</li> <li>• Representation to interested parties</li> <li>• Cultural Monitoring on Country with researchers and explorers</li> <li>• Access Inspection Survey representation</li> </ul>
(l) manage and account for the funds of the corporation and invest any funds not immediately required for the purpose of the corporation;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of FWCACCT as the primary Trust for the FWCAC</li> <li>• Professional investment of funds (FWCACCT)</li> <li>• Annual Financial Audit FWCAC - 2015/2016</li> <li>• Members select auditor annually at AGM</li> <li>• Ongoing professional accountancy services</li> </ul>
(m) to act as the trustee under any trust established for the benefit of the Far West Coast Aboriginal people;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FWCAC (as the Shareholder to FWCI) invested Native Title Settlement funds in Far West Coast Aboriginal Community Charitable Trust</li> </ul>
(n) to protect the intellectual property rights of the Far West Coast people, including but not limited to cultural practices, stories, & oral history & traditions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ongoing responsibility of FWCAC as Prescribed Body Corporate (PBC)</li> <li>• Proposed actions articulated in Aboriginal Regional Authority Priorities</li> <li>• Maintenance of FWCAC Members family historical data</li> <li>• Interface with research partners</li> </ul>

# FWCAC Directors' Meetings



## Maintaining corporate knowledge

To maintain corporate knowledge on the FWCAC Board of Directors, the FWCAC Members voted to have 6 Directors leave the board every year.

Members made this decision at the 2014 AGM (held in February 2015).

This still requires an election at every AGM for the 6 vacant positions.

One Director representing each cultural Group is then elected for a 2 year term.

Meeting dates	Meeting location	Meeting type
29 January 2016	Phone Meeting	Directors' Meeting
3-4 February 2016	Phone Meeting	Directors' Phone Poll
25-26 February 2016	FWCAC Boardroom	Directors' Meeting
17-18 March 2016	FWCAC Boardroom	Directors' Meeting
19 March 2016	FWASCI	General Meeting
19 March 2016	FWASCI	Native Title Community
20 April 2016	Phone Meeting	Directors' Meeting
25 May 2016	Phone Meeting	Directors' Meeting
3 June 2016	Darwin Convention Centre	Directors' Meeting
28 June 2016	Phone Meeting	Directors' Meeting
9-10 August 2016	FWCAC Boardroom	Directors' Meeting
21 September 2016	FWCAC Boardroom	Directors' Meeting
7 October 2016	Phone Poll	Directors' Meeting
14 October 2016	Phone Meeting	Directors' Meeting
25 November 2016	FWCAC Boardroom	Directors' Meeting
26 November 2016	FWASCI	AGM FWCAC 2015-2016
26 November 2016	FWASCI	Native Title Community

## Directors' Listing

	2014	2015	2016
Kokatha	Basil Coleman Wanda Miller	Basil Coleman Oscar Richards	Oscar Richards* Sue Haseldine
Mirning	April Lawrie Clem Lawrie	April Lawrie Clem Lawrie	April Lawrie* Maryanne Clements
Wirangu	Barry Johncock Leonard Miller Jnr.	Barry Johncock Leonard Miller Jnr.	Peter Miller* Barry Johncock
MT/Oak Valley	James Peel Lena Miller-Taylor	James Peel Bruce Hogan	Bruce Hogan* Braddon Queama
Roberts	Edward Roberts, Georgina Stockfisch	Edward Roberts, Georgina Stockfisch	Edward Roberts* Georgina Stockfisch
Yalata	Duane Edwards Fabian Peel	Duane Edwards John Mungee	John Mungee* Keith Peters

\* denotes Director vacating position 2016 AGM

### Director Education and Training 2015/2016

National Native Title Conference Darwin - May 2016

Nation Re-building Training - Flinders University Group, Ceduna October 2016

### On Country meetings

Koonibba Aboriginal Corporation Board of Directors

Yalata Aboriginal Corporation Board of Directors

## Staffing

Role	Engagement	Staff
FWCAC Corporate Services Manager	Contract - Full Time	Kerrie Harrison
FWCI Administration Officer	Contract - Full Time	Narrissa Coleman
FWCAC Administration Officer	Contract - Part Time	Kelly Miller
FWCAC Administration Officer	Contract - Part Time	Nyree Coleman
FWCI General Manager	Contract - Full Time	John Isgar
FWCACCT Trust Officer	Contract - Full Time	Jason Wild
FWCI Administration Assistant	Casual - Temp	Ashleigh Wild
FWCI Administration Assistant	Casual - Temp	Tallulah Bilney

# Darwin National Native Title Conference 2016

As part of the commitment to Directors education in Native Title issues, the Board of Directors attended the National Native Title Conference in May 2016, held at the Conference Centre in Darwin. Representatives from PBC's around Australia, stakeholders, support staff and government representatives made up the attendees. There were many interesting and relevant sessions on the program that contributed to Directors' professional development.

Attendance at the Conference was partly funded by AIATSIS as the FWCAC presented a session entitled "the Far West Coast Experience".

The presentation highlights the journey of the 6 cultural groups, the joint Native Title Claim, the successful Consent Determination in 2013, the actions taken towards the current strategic structure and

the achievements of the FWCAC Group of Entities.

April Lawrie, Peter Miller and Jack Johncock presented the slide show.

Slides presented included information on key decisions made by the Corporation and the structure of the Far West Coast Group of Entities. The three Directors then fielded a number of questions for the session.

Some of the FWCAC Board of Directors informally met with the Sea Rangers who operate in and around Darwin; details of their program were inspiring despite the Larrakia Native Title Claim being recently rejected.

AIATSIS and the Fishing and Livelihood Values Survey was a focus for the visit and Directors met with staff involved and other key interstate program participants in preparation for the roll out in Ceduna.



**FWCAC Directors and Larrakia Sea Rangers. Discussing the Darwin Sea Ranger Program was a highlight of the program.**



April Lawrie, John Mungee, Hon. Minister Kyam Maher, Keith Peters, Sue Haseldine and Peter Miller.

## Ministerial Visit and Aboriginal Regional Authority Submission

A delegation of FWCAC Directors met with Minister Kyam Maher at their new Boardroom. This was an opportunity for the Minister to see the new office space and understand the positive impacts of Aboriginal economic development in the region.

Directors were able to explain the assistance provided by the Far West Coast Aboriginal Community Charitable Trust to members and the strategic placement of the corporation in the central business district of Ceduna.

Directors were able to discuss the Leader to Leader approach proposed in the Aboriginal Regional Authority.

The decision to proceed with the application for becoming an Aboriginal Regional

Authority centred on the FWCAC Directors' intent to ensure that the FWCAC would be the primary organisation to engage with the state government on all matters relating to land, land management, land tenure and any economic development relating to Native Title held land.

The application was submitted to the Honorable Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Reconciliation, Kyam Maher.

The application was part of a competitive process and was accepted. This was announced on the 4th of July, 2016.

The FWCAC Directors then attended a Nation Rebuilding Workshop facilitated by Daryle Rigney of Flinders University and visiting Indigenous American academics.

# FWCAC Aboriginal Regional Authority Preparation

Priority areas were drawn from over 3 years of Members' feedback, community needs, Directors' discussions, strategic planning and economic aims.

These 3 Priority areas do not operate in isolation to each other; they are entwined and linked to each other.

Directors have set down this preliminary range of priorities as a living document.

Member consultation and operational planning on practical and operational aspects of the priorities will be essential in 2016/2017 and beyond.

Negotiations with a range of stakeholders will be necessary in further stages of the Aboriginal Regional Authority "Leader to Leader" discussions.

Three Aboriginal organisations have been recognised as South Australia's first Aboriginal Regional Authorities in 2016.

The groups are the Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation, Ngarrindjeri Regional Authority and Adnyamathanha Traditional Lands Association.

The agreement means they will get a seat at the table when government agencies are designing policies and service delivery for Aboriginal people in their region.

## FWCAC Priority areas

### Economic Development

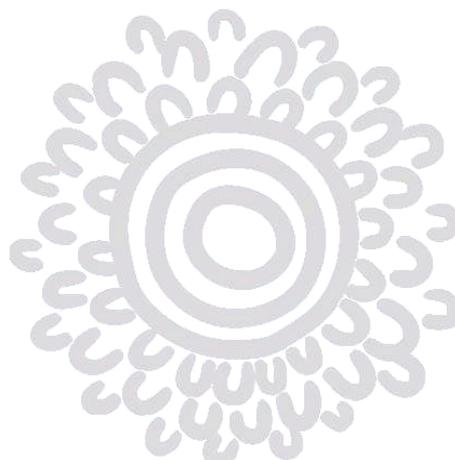
- ◆ Land acquisition
- ◆ Business and enterprise
- ◆ Employment and education
- ◆ Mining negotiation and exploration

### Native Title

- ◆ Land and Sea
- ◆ Culture and Heritage
- ◆ Governance and nation building
- ◆ Identity and history

### Communal Responsibility

- ◆ Member support
- ◆ Leadership
- ◆ Advice
- ◆ Advocacy and action



# Recognition for the Far West Coast and Process Priorities

In addition to the expressed priority areas of the Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation (FWCAC), as the Registered Native Title Prescribed Body Corporate and as the Regional Authority, it espouses the **Recognition and Process Priorities** below:

- FWCAC services 1650 plus Aboriginal individual members, is self-sufficient and independent of state and commonwealth funding.
- FWCAC as the Registered Native Title Prescribed Body Corporate and the Regional Authority is the Aboriginal government of the Far West Coast Lands and must be recognised and respected as such. As the representative body for the Aboriginal peoples of the Far West Coast, it provides the cultural advice and direction on socio-economical-political matters impacting the Aboriginal population of Far West Coast region.
- The FWCAC as the Registered Native Title Prescribed Body Corporate and the Regional Authority is the recognised peak Aboriginal body for cultural, heritage, land and sea management; and associated economic development matters within the Far West Coast region and must be the first port of call for government.
- Government, in particular but not limited to Aboriginal Affairs, must not make decisions for, provide advice on behalf of, or represent the views of, or assume to represent or speak for the Aboriginal population of the Far West Coast Region in relation to socio-economic and political matters.
- As the Registered Native Title Prescribed Body Corporate and the Regional Authority, there must be regular leadership meetings between the FWCAC board of Directors and the respective Minister and Chief Executive of Aboriginal Affairs, PIRSA, DENR and DSD.
- The FWCAC as the Registered Native Title Prescribed Body Corporate and the Regional Authority must be advised and consulted up front on any commonwealth or state government policy implementation bearing on the well-being of the Aboriginal population of the Far West Coast region.
- The FWCAC as the Regional Authority must have the right to oppose any commonwealth or state government policy implementation in the Far West Coast region if it determines that it will have an adverse effect on the wellbeing of Far West Coast Aboriginal people.
- The FWCAC as the Registered Native Title Prescribed Body Corporate and the Regional Authority is the Recognised Aboriginal Heritage Body.

# FWCAC Code of Conduct and Ethics

## Introduction

FWCAC's Code of Conduct and Ethics is linked closely to the FWCAC Rule Book, ORIC requirements and the CATSI Act which specify Members and Directors responsibilities.

## Members

- Shall observe the provisions of the Rule Book, policies, and rules of the Corporation;
- Shall treat the other members of the Corporation, and the staff of the Corporation, and the office-bearers of the Corporation, and the clients of the Corporation, with respect;
- Shall observe behaviors of courtesy and respect towards other members when participating in public forums, meetings, native title gatherings including those activities endorsed by the board;
- Shall not engage in negative behaviours outside of public forums in response to other members actions, beliefs or statements as presented in any public forums;
- Shall not so act as to bring the Corporation or its objectives into disrepute;
- Shall not behave in a way that significantly interferes with the operation of the Corporation or of Corporation meetings;
- Members should refer to the FWCAC's commitments in the Service Charter.

## Directors

- Shall, in all business conducted under the aegis of FWCAC, place the interests of the Corporation over their own interests of those of any other person or persons;
- Shall observe the provisions of the FWCAC policies and rules of the Corporation (The Rule Book) and service charter;
- Shall, as far as possible, attend all meetings of the Board, and in the event that they are prevented from attending any meeting of the Board, shall notify the Contact Person/ Secretary of their absence in advance of the meeting;
- Shall devote to their duties the amount of time required to carry them out thoroughly and effectively;
- Shall undertake any training necessary for the performance of their duties;
- Shall treat the other members of the Board, and the other members of the Corporation, and the staff of the Corporation, and the office-bearers of the Corporation, and the members/ clients of the Corporation, with respect;
- Shall not so act as to bring the Corporation or its objectives into disrepute;
- Shall not behave in a way that significantly interferes with the operation of the Corporation or of Corporation meetings;
- Shall observe all principles of confidentiality involving any Corporation business, affairs or matters;
- Directors will uphold the FWCAC's commitments in the Service Charter.

## Policies and Procedures

The FWCAC Board of Directors has steadily created a sound set of policies and procedures to provide the framework within which FWCAC operates. They underpin our actions and decision making. Clear policies and procedures support effective decision making, delegations and what activities are endorsable.

FWCAC is for the most part governed by the ORIC Rulebook for Native Title decision making and governance. An examination of the activities and scope of the role of the corporation as both a PBC and Membership service provider, along with the Directors as decision makers and representatives of the 6 Cultural Groups was made.

Subsequently Policies were developed to support, guide and protect the corporation, the directors, members and staff on an operational level across the wide range of service delivery, governance situations and financial areas.

Cross references to the FWCAC Rulebook are present in most policies where these direct links are observed. The operational actions therefore accurately reflect the legislation and requirements to function accordingly.

A Policy Statement has been developed to summarise the intent of each Policy.

FWCAC's Policies and Procedures are reviewed on an annual basis and as such they remain a focus for Directors in the ongoing governance of the Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation.

## Aboriginal Heritage Act Changes

The changes to the Aboriginal Heritage Act will have impacts for FWC Aboriginal Peoples Native Title rights and interests on FWC land.

Opportunities to have input into the impact of the changes has come in the form of an after the fact consultation and a call for submissions from the department of State Development.

The FWCAC will be providing a submission to clearly state the reduction in participation of Native Title bodies in high level decision making about land, land use; and critically for FWC, access and determinations made in relation to mining and exploration.

Changes at this stage invoke outside agencies entering the heritage clearance process, the reporting and interpretation of reporting processes thereby shortcutting or discounting cultural considerations.

The Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation is very concerned about the impacts of the changes to the Heritage Act; especially where it will become a tool of the mining world seeking to partner with agencies who operate at a distance to land, and the Native Title based Aboriginal rights and interests of that land.

If you have any concerns on the changes to the Heritage Act or wish to contribute to the submission please [contact the FWCAC](#).

## Native Title on the Homelands

When native title was recognised by the Federal Court on December 5th, 2013, there was provision for the native title claim to be extended over homelands held by members of the native title group, acquired by ATSIC or the ILC in the past. This was because at the time, there was a Federal Court case deciding whether ILC properties could have native title recognised over them (the Adnyamathanha “Yappala” decision).

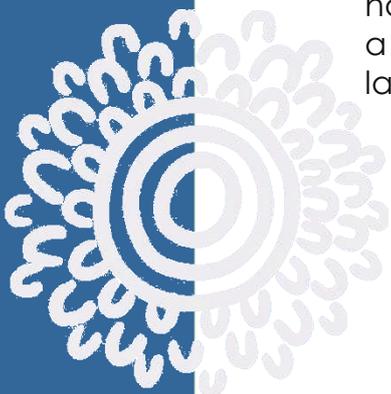
That decision found that native title could still exist over homelands, provided that native title holders occupied the relevant property at the time the native title claim was made. Our lawyers are in the process of gathering the evidence needed to prove native title on the homelands.

We ask all Directors and Governing Committee members of relevant organisations to be as cooperative as possible in completing the native title determination.

Native Title on homelands will not change who owns the land now. We encourage any member to contact Osker Linde at SANTS on free call ph. 1800 010 360, should you have any enquiries at all about how a native title determination over your property will affect your landholding.

The short answer is that it will have no affect in the immediate term. It is only if the Government ever tried to resume the land, or if mining was an issue, that native title would become relevant. Your rights as landholders under any laws for example the Mining Act 1971 (SA) or Land Acquisition Act 1969 (SA) would continue to be enforceable.

Native Title rights could not be exercised on homeland property by the native title holders while a community organisation holds its interest in the land.



# Who is a Native Title Holder?

## Under the Native Title Act

9. Under the relevant traditional laws and customs of the Kokatha, Mirning and Wirangu who comprise the Far West Coast People, the native title holders are those living Aboriginal people who:

**A. (i)** are descendant, either through birth or adoption, from one or more of the following Kokatha, Mirning and Wirangu antecedents:

### Apical Ancestors

Bingi	Bobby Wandrooka	Billy Benbolt and Fanny
Eliza Ellen (Ware) Maggie, mother of Jimmy	Wirangu mother of Jimmy and Arthur Richards	Judy (Struthers) Nellie (Betts)
Scott	Wirangu mother of Ada Beagle	Emma (Bilney)
Yari Wagon Billy	Tjabilja (Lawrie)	Jimmy Blueskin
Koigidi and Anbing	Sally Broome	Jack McCarthy
Kulbala	Mark Mirka Kelly	Eva Nudicurra (Modikari)
Eva and Pompey	Tommy Munia	Marangali Jim Young and
Jinnie (Dunnett) Yabi Dinah	Peter and Nellie Tjubedie Binilya and Kaltyna	Lucy Mundy Betsy (affinal links to Tjuna family)
Siblings Nellie Gray, Dhubalgurda Frank Gray and Kwana Teddy Gray Billy Danba (Dunbar) and Topsy	Topsy (Miller) Harry Yari Miller, son of Maggie Burilya Maggie Inyalonga (Miller);	Siblings, Milaga (affinal links to Tjuna family) and Munjinya and Toby Ngampija Roberts, son of Moonlight Lightning

**OR (ii)** are descendant, either through birth or adoption, from any other person acknowledged by the native title holders as a Kokatha, Mirning or Wirangu antecedent where the antecedent was born on or near the Determination Area at or around the time of sovereignty;

**AND** who are recognised by other native title holders under the relevant traditional laws and customs of the Far West Coast Peoples as having realised their rights through knowledge, association and familiarity with the Determination Area gained in accordance with the laws and customs of the native title holders, and therefore as holding native title rights and interests in the Native Title Land;

### OR

**B.** were born within the Determination Area and have gained knowledge of the land and waters of the Determination Area in accordance with the traditional laws and customs of the native title holders, and are recognised by other native title holders under their relevant traditional laws and customs as having native title rights and interests in the Native Title Land;

### OR

**C** have mythical or ritual knowledge and experience of the Determination Area and have responsibility for the sites and strings of sites within the Determination Area that are associated with the Tjukurpa (Dreaming) and are recognised by other native title holders under their relevant traditional laws and customs as having native title rights and interests in the Native Title Land.

**Source: Excerpt from the Federal Court Determination 5/12/2013**

# Native Title Update

2015/2016 has seen a number of developments on the native title front.

While no new Part 9B agreements were signed, a number of heritage clearances have been completed by the native title group for mineral exploration.

## **Iluka continue to explore the Far West Coast.**

The most recent survey for Iluka in November 2015, resulted in many proposed exploration lines denied clearance where they fell within a 20 kilometre radius of Yalata community.

The Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation Directors took on feedback from Yalata about this issue and decided to inform Iluka that no mineral exploration activities will be approved within 20 kilometres of Yalata community.

Far West Coast Corporation will continue to protect and preserve the wishes of Yalata community relative to mining on the community wherever possible.

Iluka earlier this year announced that it had no choice but to put its plant at Jacinth Ambrosia on suspension for a period, in consideration of issues concerning the world demand for mineral sands and in particular, Zircon.

Iluka has stockpiles of mineral sand concentrate which it has continued to truck and export from Thevenard while the plant has been in suspension mode. This should not affect the level of production payments received by the community this period. However, Iluka has deferred further negotiations on a number of deposits close to the existing mine, pending a change in the market demand for its products.

Iluka has told the Corporation, however, that it wants to remain in the area for a long time, and therefore, new deposits continue to be a focus. Negotiations over the new deposits have progressed substantially but no binding agreement between Iluka and Far West Coast has yet been reached for any new deposits.

The FWCAC Employment target of 20% at Iluka has been maintained despite the suspension of production.



Top photo opposite: Iluka/  
Doray Minerals Native Title  
Survey: (partial team) Kim  
Petherick, Robert Faulkner,  
Anton Mundy, Clem Lawrie,  
Anton Newchurch, Peter  
Miller, Oscar Richards,  
Hayden Coleman and  
Melinda Hush.

Bottom photo opposite:  
Western Areas Native Title  
Survey: (partial team) Robert  
Faulkner, Michael Coleman,  
Trevor Bryant, Justin Dodd,  
John Mungee, Keith Peters,  
Barley Brown (behind), Brian  
Queama, Hayden Coleman,  
Anton Mundy, Clem Lawrie,  
Anton Newchurch, and  
Neville Miller.



**Western Areas** has now become the tenement holder for a bundle of exploration licences stretching between the Wagunyah conservation reserve, through the Yalata reserve and into Yellabinna Regional Reserve.

**Doray Minerals Limited** is a company that has a Gold Farm-In agreement with Iluka to explore for alternative minerals on some of Iluka's tenements. They have two target areas, one below the railway line near Wynbring and one that is half on the Yalata reserve and half on Yellabinna.

**Oz Minerals** have recently acquired exploration licences on the Nullarbor Regional Reserve and are currently seeking to negotiate a native title agreement providing for their exploration activities. A draft agreement has been sent for its consideration but negotiations are yet to formally commence.



# Native Title: Far West Coast Sea Claim

Leonard Miller Senior, Oscar Richards Senior, Clem Lawrie, Arthur Catsambalis, Vernon (Penong) Miller, Allan Haseldine and James Peel were authorised in February 2015 by the Far West Coast community to prepare and bring this new native title claim forward for lodgement through the Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation's Board of Directors.

The Sea Claim was accepted by the National Native Title Tribunal for registration test purposes in July 2016.

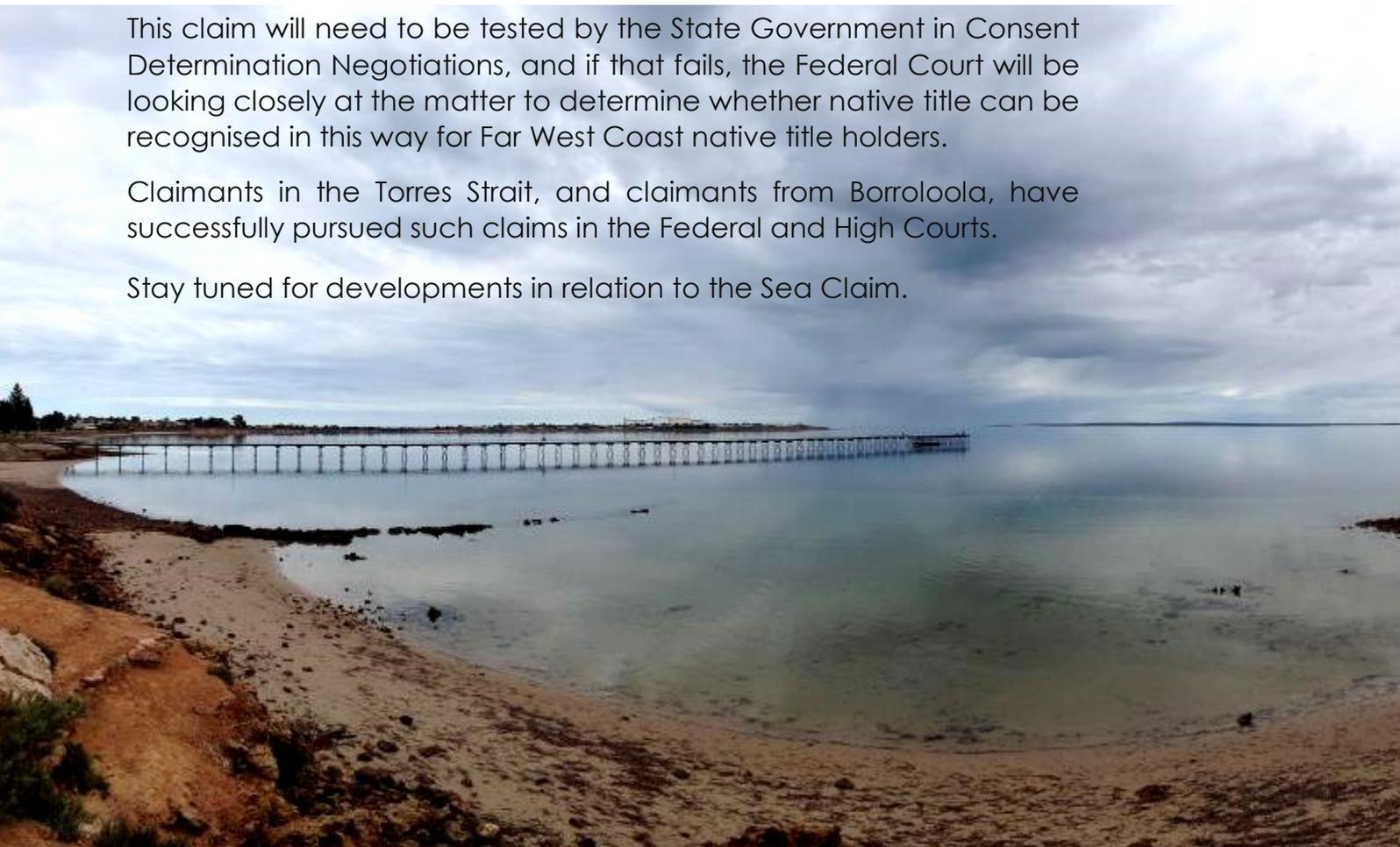
This is a huge step forward to recognition of native title rights and interests further out to sea. The current determination only covers out to the lowest astronomical tide, which leaves out a lot of country which Far West Coast people view as their traditional country. So a claim has gone in which stretches from the low watermark out to a distance of five kilometres and also takes in any islands within that area and out a further five kilometres from any of those islands.

The materials provided to the Tribunal included a brief expert report by Robert Graham, senior anthropologist at South Australian Native Title Services Limited. That report set out why in his opinion people hold native title over the sea claim area, and how in his opinion, people had a claim to take resources from the sea areas, without any limitation as to what purpose they can use the resources for. For example, Far West Coast is claiming the right to trade in the resources of the sea.

This claim will need to be tested by the State Government in Consent Determination Negotiations, and if that fails, the Federal Court will be looking closely at the matter to determine whether native title can be recognised in this way for Far West Coast native title holders.

Claimants in the Torres Strait, and claimants from Borroloola, have successfully pursued such claims in the Federal and High Courts.

Stay tuned for developments in relation to the Sea Claim.



# Genealogy and History

The FWCAC maintain an extensive and substantiated ancestral database of family history for the Kokatha, Mirning and Wirangu peoples, families from Ooldea and Yalata and other linked individuals.

Research continues on family links and individual records. This information serves to assess eligibility for membership of the Corporation, and assists Members when seeking further information on their family history.



If you have not already; you can collect your membership card from the FWCAC office in Ceduna or contact us to have it posted to your address. A second printing run of cards is planned in the near future.



## Membership Cards

The FWCAC Board of Directors was very pleased to introduce Membership cards in 2015 that acknowledge the traditional rights and interests of its Members within the determined area.

Members have been presented with membership cards, which clearly denote their status as a FWCAC Member and reference the rights and interests under Native Title.





Copies of the Far West Coast Healthy Country Plan can be collected at the FWCAC Ceduna Office, the AWNRM Ceduna Office. The document can be found online at [www.fwcac.org.au](http://www.fwcac.org.au).

The Healthy Country Plan was prepared by the Far West Coast (FWC) Working Group in consultation with Far West Coast Aboriginal people.

The working group is made up of the Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee and Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board who both contribute their advise and expertise on behalf of the Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation. There is support from staff of the Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources (DEWNR).

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Together we will create a vibrant Far West Coast community where the unique Aboriginal cultures and the arid and fragile country is strong, shared and respected.

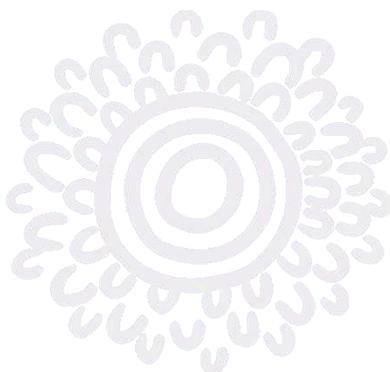
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## Co-management in 2016

A completed, forward thinking and robust co-management plan for the Far West Coast region in 2015/2016 is a professional achievement for these two co-management groups, their deputies and other Far West Coast members who assisted and were consulted throughout the process. The document is testimony to the skills and knowledge of the groups and the productive partnerships created with AWNRM, EPNRM and DEWNR.

The document clearly sets out how the 2 co-management groups work together, with government, and other stakeholders; the groups vision for the plan, 12 target areas and identified threats; and articulates the roll out and implementation of the plan with meaningful projects.

The central focus of the FWC Healthy Country Plan is to direct and support implementation of projects, prioritised by the FWC Working Group, as significant in creating and maintaining our culture and a healthy environment for our land and our people. The plan actively supports engagement of Far West Coast people in caring for their country, particularly through the co-management Far West Coast parks and reserves.





Attending the Nullarbor On Country Workshop at Iluka: Tim Moore, Belinda Margan, Jamal Lebois, Codee Spitzkowsky, Elizabeth Miller, Saras Kumar, Matt Ward, James Peel, Maria Weetra, Clem Lawrie, Lisa Miller, Stuart Cowell, Dorcas Miller, Mark Anderson, Annette Lawrie, Neville Miller, Ziggy Lawrie, Verna Lawrie, Belinda Lennon, Ian Lewis, Trevor Scott and Vicki Lawrie. Kneeling Jasmine Kerdel and April Lawrie.

**Nullarbor Advisory Committee**

**Yumbarra Co-management Board**

Rep	Representative	Deputy	Rep	Representative	Deputy
Mining	Clem Lawrie	Anton Mundy	FWCAC	Leonard Miller Snr.	Hayden Coleman
Mining	James Peel	Neville Miller	FWCAC	Edward Roberts	William Newchurch
Mining	Kaylene Kerdel	April Miller	FWCAC	Wanda Miller	Wendy Ware
Mining	Dorcas Miller	Verna Lawrie	FWCAC	Sue Haseldine	Mima Smart
Minister	Mathew Ward	Bruce McPherson	Minister	Mathew Ward	Bruce McPherson
Minister	Mark Anderson	Robbie Sleep	Minister	Mark Anderson	Robbie Sleep
Minister	Justine Graham	Olanta Lipcer	Minister	Justine Graham	Olanta Lipcer
Minister	Sophie Keen	Liz McTaggart	Minister	Sophie Keen	Liz McTaggart

Ben Reynolds, Trevor Scott and Millicent Taylor resigned.

Attending the Yumbarra On Country Workshop at Iluka: Estelle Miller, Hayden Coleman, Leonard Miller Snr., Jeremy LeBois, William Newchurch, Stuart Cowell, Georgina Stockfisch, Kelly Miller, Theresa Andrew, Nick Travers, Vivian Sansbury-Tresize, Wanda Miller, Edward Roberts, Wayne Haseldine, Marcina Coleman, Mark Anderson, Kirsty Sansbury, Bruce McPherson, Jamal LeBois, Saras Kumar and Codee Spitzkowsky. Absent from photo: Wendy Ware



# Parks Co-management Outcomes 2015/2016

5/12/2013	<b>The Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board (YCPBC) and Nullarbor Park Advisory Committee (NPAC)</b> were activated upon the signing of the Co-management Agreements between the FWCAC and the Minister for Sustainability, Environment and Conservation (Hon. Ian Hunter).
1/02/2015 NPAC	NPAC members appointed: 4 Mirning members (2 men & 2 women), nominated by Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation (FWCAC), and 4 Minister nominated members (2 men & 2 women) appointed to the Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee. Deputies for each member.
17/02/2015 YCPCB	YCPCB members appointed: 4 Far West Coast people (2 men & 2 women), nominated by Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation (FWCAC), and 4 Minister nominated members (2 men & 2 women) appointed to the Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee. Deputies for each member.
24/02/2015 FWC Planning & Design Workshop	Members and Deputies of the Far West Coast co-management bodies - Yumbarra Co-management Board and Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee, met with NRAW representatives to discuss the planning methods suitable for Park Management Plans. Board members selected Healthy Country Planning which incorporates both landscape and cultural planning into one process.
25/02/2015 FWC Co-management Induction Day	Members of the Far West Coast co-management bodies - Yumbarra Co-management Board and Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee, held a joint meeting with representatives from the DEWNR Policy and Planning Unit. Discussions included aspirations for co-management; co-management models, planning and regulation; characteristics of good boards and committees; cultural awareness training; roles and responsibilities of departmental support staff; and, financial arrangements.
30/03/2015	Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board Meeting 1 at Ceduna.
31/03/2015	Nullarbor Park Advisory Committee Meeting 1 at Ceduna.
22/04/2015 AWNRM & Joint Co-management Chairs Meeting	Representatives from Yumbarra Co-management Board attended a meeting with the AWNRM Board and representatives from other co-management bodies at Ceduna (Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee, Mamungari Co-management Board and Tallaringa Advisory Committee). Attendees discussed: the potential benefits of working together collaboratively; using Healthy Country Planning will allow local plans to be rolled up into the updated AWNRM plan in 2018; developing agreements to work together between the AWNRM Board and the co-management bodies.
5/05/2015 Workshop	Nature Based Tourism Workshop: A representative from Yumbarra Co-management Board joined SA reps to participate in the workshop seeking ideas for SA nature based tourism.
6/05/2015	Interview Panel: One representative from Yumbarra Co-management Board participated on the NRAW interviews to employ an Executive Assistant for the FWC co-management bodies.
7/05/2015 Far West Coast Joint Working Group Meeting 1	Healthy Country Planning Main members of the Far West Coast co-management bodies, Yumbarra Co-management Board and Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee, held their first joint Healthy Country Planning Working Group meeting. Plans were drafted for the first on-country workshops where Board members, deputies, relevant traditional owners, elders and youth will come together to begin the detailed planning. The planning process, participant lists, locations and logistics were discussed.
2-4/06/2015 DEWNR Exec.	DEWNR Executive, AWNRM and 2 representatives from Yumbarra Co-management Board met at Inila Rockhole where a Green Army rock hole protection activity was underway.
28/07/2015	Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board Meeting 2 at Ceduna.
29/07/2016	Nullarbor Park Advisory Committee Meeting 2 at Ceduna.
10-13/8/2015 2nd On Country Workshops	Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee: Healthy Country On-Country Workshop 2 at Koonalda. Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board: Healthy Country Planning, On-Country Workshop 2 at Scotdesco. Main members, deputies, relevant Traditional Owners, elders and youth of the Far West Coast Co-management bodies were asked to identify targets, assets and threats to the ongoing health of the Far West Coast parks.

	This planning process will see an important alignment with the Alinytjara Wilurara Natural Resource Management (NRM) Plan and Park Management Plans in the future, as each boards/communities individual Healthy Country Plan will feed into and become Alinytjara Wilurara's NRM plan and Park Management Plans.
16/11/2015 Appointments	4 new members/deputies appointed: After 1 member and 3 deputies resigning for individual personal reasons, 1 existing deputy was promoted by appointment and 3 new deputies appointed.
19/11/2015	Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board Meeting 3 at Ceduna.
20/11/2015	Nullarbor Park Advisory Committee Meeting 3 at Ceduna.
17-19/2/2016 State-wide Co-management Workshop	Two Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board and the Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee members presented at the State-wide Co-Management Workshop held at the Adelaide Zoo. Yumbarra members contributed to a short film being created by DEWNR to increase awareness of Co-management arrangements within the State.
23-24/2/2016 Far West Coast Joint Working Group Meeting 2	Scotdesco: Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee and Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board held their second joint Healthy Country Planning Working Group meeting. Main members, deputies, relevant Traditional Owners, elders and youth of the Far West Coast Co-management bodies developed vision statements, a situation analysis and reviewed targets and threats.
4-8/4/2016 Parliamentary Trip to region	Two representatives from Yumbarra Co-management Board met with the Natural Resources Committee of Parliament during their tour of the AWNRM region. The meeting occurred on country at Goog's Lake in Yumbarra Conservation Park where a visitor management project has been implemented for protection of cultural sites and landscape.
3-4/5/2016 Far West Coast Joint Working Group Meeting 3	Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee and Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board joint Healthy Country Planning Working Group meeting 3. Main members, deputies, relevant traditional owners, elders and youth of the Far West Coast Co-management bodies reviewed the situation analysis, identified and ranked strategies and identified goals for the Plan.
14/06/2016	Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board Meeting 4 at Ceduna.
15/06/2016	Nullarbor Park Advisory Committee Meeting 4 at Ceduna.
11-14/7/2016 & 15-18/7/2016 On Country Workshops	Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee: Healthy Country On-Country Workshop 2 at Iluka. Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board: Healthy Country Planning On-Country Workshop 2 at Iluka. Both groups along with Traditional Owners, elders and youth that were involved in the first on-country workshops developed projects for the Far West Coast Healthy Country Plan.
6-7/09/2016	YCPCB & NPAC Working Group: Developed Healthy Country project monitoring plans.
26/09/2016	Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board & Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee Meeting 5 at Ceduna.
18-19/10/2016 Conference presentation	Chair and representatives of the Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-Management Board and Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee, along with Policy and Planning Officer attended the International Association of Public Participation conference in Adelaide to present on co-management and park management.
11/10/2016 Draft Healthy Country Plan released	The combined Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board and Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee Working Group released the draft Plan in October 2016 after 18 months of planning involving over 40 Far West Coast Aboriginal people. The plan will guide investment and on-country work over the next 10 - 15 years.
26/10/2016 Community BBQ	Ceduna community members attended to hear about what co-management of their local parks means, and feedback to Yumbarra Conservation Park Co-management Board and Nullarbor Parks Advisory Committee about how they use the parks and raise issues for the park management plans while enjoying a BBQ.
26 /11/2016 Presentation	Far West Coast Healthy Country Plan presented to the Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation members at the 2016 AGM.



Early on in the history of the Corporation, the then FWCTLA set up an investment company, the Far West Coast Investments and Trust for use as an economic development arm. Its focus was the passive investment in mining equipment and leasing to mining companies. This structure stayed in existence, with profits returning to the Trust.



Some years later, and with the adoption of this Trust as the primary Trust for the Corporation (The Far west Coast Aboriginal Community Charitable Trust), FWCI has become an integral tool for FWCAC to achieve economic outcomes.

The removal of economic development from the daily focus of the FWCAC as the PBC has provided the FWCAC Board, its Directors and members with a structure that focuses on its mandate as a PBC, being: Native Title, heritage, culture and its interests in mining.

The FWCAC is the Shareholder for FWCI.

Economic development remains a focus of the FWCAC, but the strategic decision making to invest funds in the FWCACCT has directed this investment to be managed by the FWCI. This board has six FWC Aboriginal Directors who act as Trustees for the FWCACCT and is a skills based board.

The employment and placement of a Trust Coordinator by FWCI for the services to Members has ensured that the FWCI manage this investment and its financial assistance dispersal to Members, and that no operational funds of FWCAC are involved in these benefits to Members.

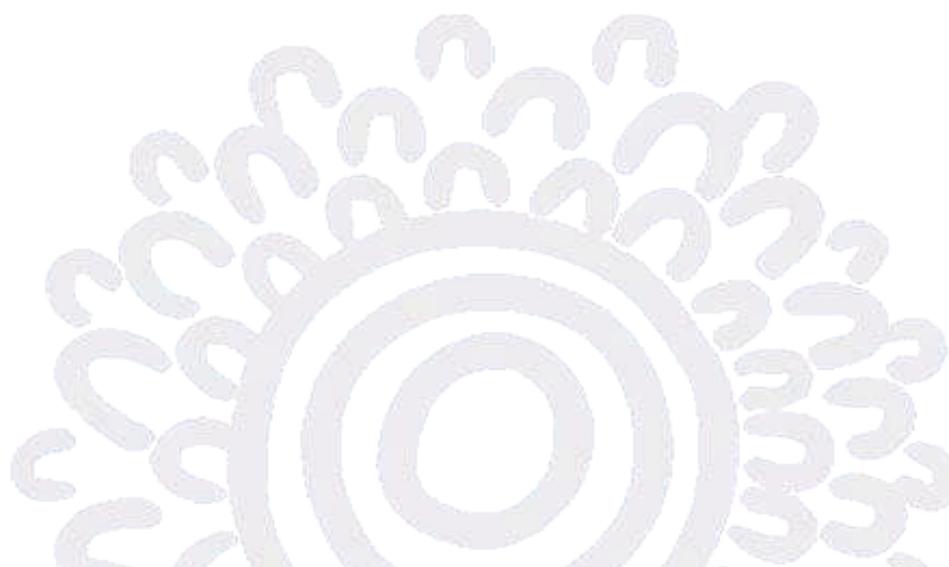
The focus of FWCI is investment, economic development actions and wealth creation, with the ultimate aim of financial independence for Far West Coast Peoples.

As business opportunities arise, the Directors of FWCI study financial prospects, markets and viability. They then decide whether to invest as FWCI or establish a new enterprise.

A new company or business may be established to spread financial risk. If a company or business fails financially then FWCI itself is not financially liable.

# The Far West Coast Group of Entities

FWC Group of Entities		Directors	
Entity Listing	2010-2014	2014	2015-2016
Far West Coast Investments (FWCI)  Directors also serve as Trustee Directors for Far West Coast Aboriginal Community Charitable Trust (FWCACCT)	Mitch Dunnett April Lawrie	April Lawrie Kerry Colbung Sandy Miller Robert Larking	April Lawrie Sandy Miller Robert Larking Clem Lawrie Emily Ware Peter Miller
Far West Mining and Civil  Directors also serve as Trustee Directors for Far West Mining and Civil Discretionary Trust	Barry Johncock April Lawrie Alan Haseldine	Barry Johncock April Lawrie Alan Haseldine	Barry Johncock April Lawrie Alan Haseldine
Munda Wana Wilurrara	Mitch Dunnett	Robert Larking Barry Johncock	Robert Larking Barry Johncock
Poynton Property Pty. Ltd.			Robert Larking
Tjutjuna Holdings Pty. Ltd.			Barry Johncock Robert Larking
Ceduna Tyres trading as Ceduna Tyres and Batteries Pty. Ltd.			Barry Johncock Robert Larking Darren Walmsley Peter Sampson



# Far West Coast Aboriginal Community Charitable Trust



Financial assistance from the FWCACCT is provided through the use of interest earned on principle investments.

Each year a budget is set to enable the Trustee Directors to appropriate these funds to Assistance Categories as priorities.

Strict guidelines for assistance are then observed in the granting of any assistance to members. These guidelines include the provision of evidence and the checking that no other form of assistance is available.

In this way the Trust is making a large contribution in the lives of Aboriginal people of the region whilst maintaining a financial balance.

## Assistance Categories

**Medical Assistance:** Assists members who have medical appointments where the full cost of travel is not covered by the Patient Assisted Travel Scheme. The goal of the financial support is to relieve unnecessary hardship by providing funds to assist members with gap payments in relation to Government funded medical services. This assistance may also be provided to members to relieve pain and/or medical urgency associated with dental.\*

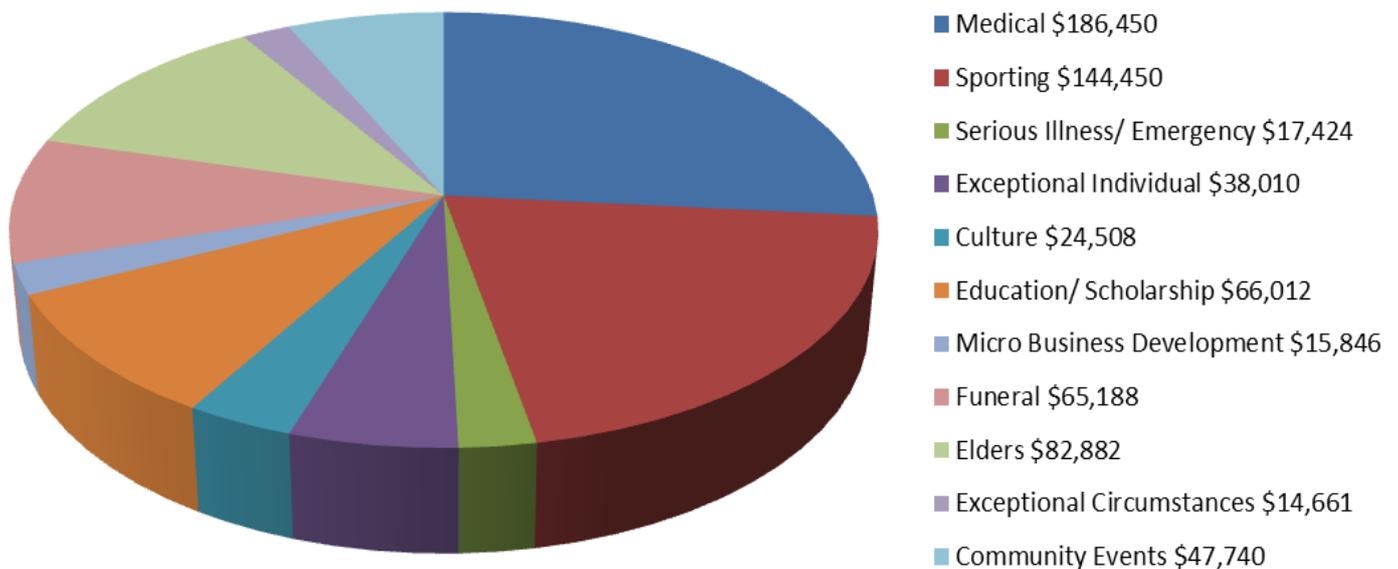
**Individual Sporting Assistance:** Assists members who are unable to meet the full costs, to participate and engage in sporting activities and be afforded the opportunity to be successful and supported to reach their full potential.\*

**Serious Illness and Emergency Assistance:** Assists members who have immediate family members in a life threatening state of health and who need to be at the bedside of the afflicted.\*

**Exceptional Individual and Leadership Assistance:** Support is available for exceptional individuals to support members who demonstrate outstanding performance in a chosen field to enable these individuals reach their full potential.\*

Support is available for leadership development to enhance an individual's capacity to positively influence, drive change and achieve outcomes for the benefit of the Far West Coast Aboriginal Community.\*

# FWCACCT Assistance 2015/2016 \$703,174



**Culture Assistance:** The aim of the Heritage and Culture Support Program is to ensure that Far West Coast Aboriginal Cultures are preserved and maintained.

**Education Assistance:** Provides support for members (and/or their children) to pursue their educational aspirations. The goal of the financial support is to improve education outcomes for our members.

**Scholarship Assistance:** Assists members' children to participate in high performing secondary education institutions away from their home community.

**Micro Business Assistance:** Support (material or otherwise) for Members who are unable to find support from family and other funding sources to assist in development of micro business.\*

\*Non-members of Aboriginal descent who reside in the FWC NT region may be eligible for some assistance types.

**Funeral Assistance:** Support to members who require assistance with the payment of funeral expenses of a Far West Coast family member. The goal of the financial support is to relieve hardship for the families of deceased members of the Far West Coast Aboriginal Corporation.

**Elders Recognition Program:** The aim of the Elders Recognition Program is to recognise Far West Coast Aboriginal Elders who have reached the age of 60 years old and 70 years old.

**Community Events:** Support or commission the staging of community events or initiatives that support, promote and positively raise the profile and contribution of our Native Title Community in the region. Community events/ initiatives must be highly visible, have whole of Aboriginal community support and positively impact on whole of Aboriginal community wellbeing.

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Part of the FWCAC Group of Entities

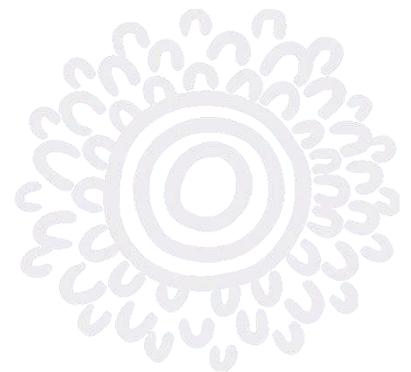
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*'...the benefit of a Joint Venture is that the risk and commitment is shared.'*

## Establishment

Munda Wana Wilurarra Pty. Ltd. (MWW) was established a few years ago (due to the vision of the late Mr. Dunnett), to be a joint venture partner in long term car leasing with Cedrent Pty. Ltd. (Ceduna Rent a Car), and although this project was not viable the joint venture sought other opportunities.

In 2016 Cedrent put forward a joint venture proposal to purchase Ceduna Fuel and Tyres, to run the local Cedrent Agency through this business, to purchase the Dunlop Super Dealership in Darwin and to run the recently set up Cedrent Agency.



## New joint venture driving Economic Development

*'On country or off country – it has to be about making money for the future past the life of the mine'*

Munda Wana Wilurarra Pty. Ltd. is pleased to announce in conjunction with our Joint Venture partners Cedrent, the purchase of Ceduna Tyres & Batteries.

Munda Wana Wilurarra Pty. Ltd. (MWW) is an Aboriginal owned and operated company, it was established for economic development purposes for the benefit of Far West Coast Aboriginal Peoples.

Cedrent are regional and remote area vehicle and equipment hire specialists with over 20 years of service to South Australia and the NT. With multiple locations in SA and NT supplying fit for purpose vehicles for government, mining, commercial and private hire.

The MWW Directors are Barry (Jack) Johncock and Robert Larking who are also Directors of Tjutjuna Holdings Pty. Ltd. Tjutjuna Holdings Pty. Ltd. is the joint venture company and it has four Directors, two from MWW and two from Cedrent.

Tjutjuna Holdings is the shareholder of Ceduna Tyre Investments Pty Ltd that owns Darwin Tyre and Battery Pty. Ltd. (trading as Dunlop Super Dealership) and Ceduna Tyres and Batteries Pty. Ltd.

## Support Community and Local Investment

The Far West Coast Aboriginal Community Charitable Trust is the beneficiary of Ceduna Tyres & Batteries profits and was established by Far West Coast Investments (FWCI).

The Far West Coast Aboriginal Community Charitable Trust has the objectives of addressing gaps in medical, Elders, scholarship, education, leadership and sporting support for the Aboriginal Peoples of the region.

To achieve this the FWCI supports Aboriginal mainstream economic participation through business development and strategic investment.

FWCI supports broader community projects such as: Oysterfest, the One and All, the Ceduna Swimming Enclosure project, CBTA Business of the Year Awards, and school holiday programs, etc.

## Service and Knowledge Tyre, Battery & Fuel outlet

Ceduna Tyres and Batteries provides the full range of Liberty Fuels and accepts Shell Cards, Motorpass and Motor Charge as well as all major credit cards (except American Express).

As a Bridgestone Dealer we offer a full range of tyre and battery services, from basic fitting to wheel balancing and alignment, puncture and repair work, to expert advice. Driveway fuel service and a responsive road call out service for those unforeseen mechanical emergencies.



Above: From left to right: Robert Larking (MWW Director), Peter Sampson (Cedrent Director), Wayne Gurney (former owner) and Peter Miller (FWCAC) at the handover on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2016. Below: Robert Larking and Peter Sampson on the first day of trading.

## Property Purchase

Munda Wana Wilurrara Pty Ltd (MWW) have also purchased the site at 28 McKenzie Street and will lease the property to Ceduna Tyres and Batteries. The property is 100% Far West Coast owned and is not involved in the Joint Venture.

This is a very large piece of land that's situated right in the middle of Ceduna. Ceduna Tyres and Batteries occupies the McKenzie Street side of the block and there is plenty of room for future development on the Murat Terrace side.



Far West Mining and Civil has been a very good investment for the Far West Coast. In the past the company has been wholly dependent on Iluka's presence on country and their mining activity.

Currently there is a downturn in income due to the Jacinth-Ambrosia mine being placed into care and maintenance in 2016.

As a result, Exact Mining are no longer required to carry out earthworks and the D10 Bull Dozer is no longer required.

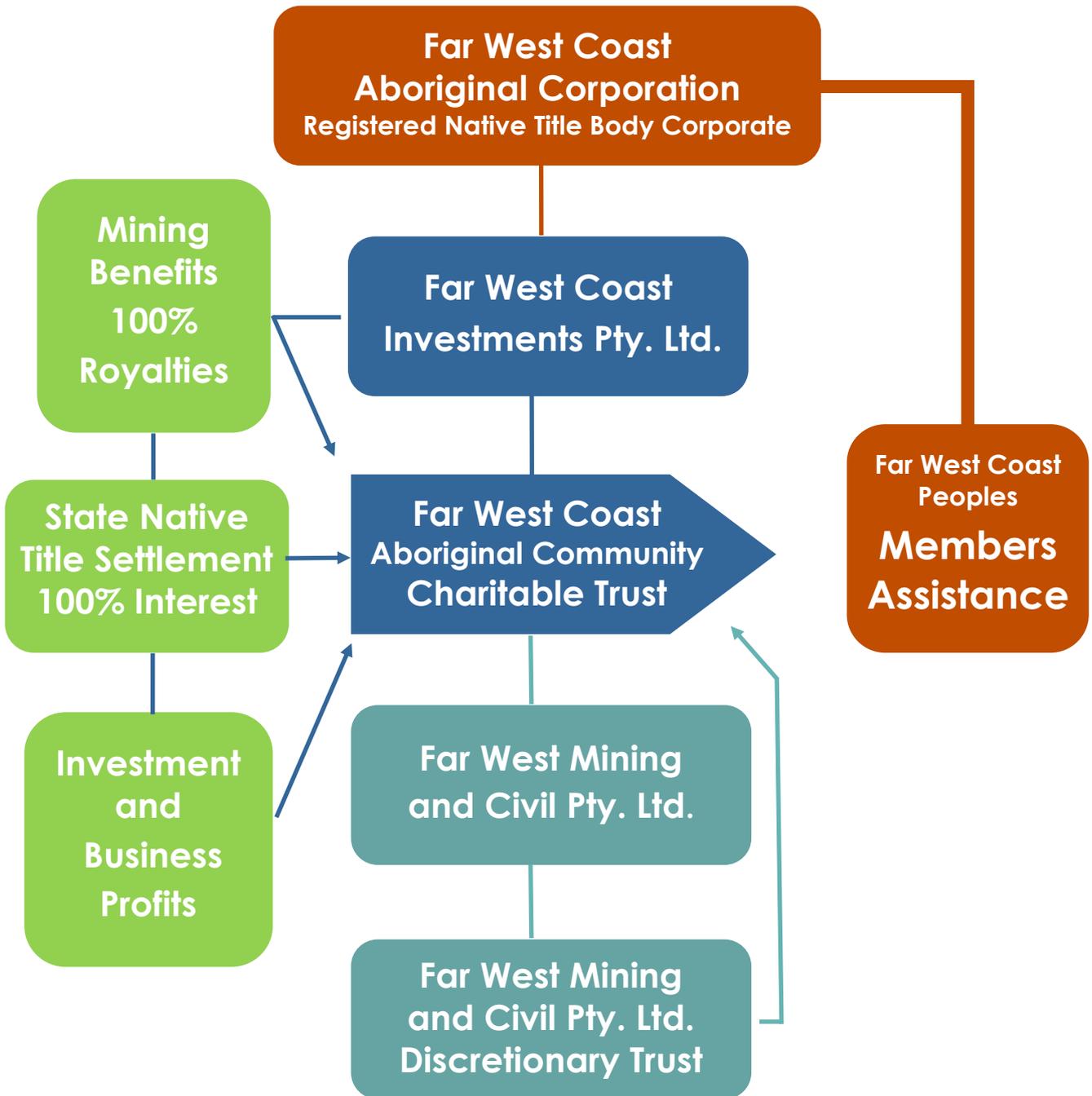
The Far West Coast Native Title Holders started their investment activity by purchasing the D10 for \$1.4M and leasing it to Exact Mining.

The D10 Bull Dozer was operated at the mine for just over six years and amassed around 36,000 machine operating hours. This amount of hours brings it to the end of it's mining life.

Other machines have followed and will be, for the most part, retained by Iluka at Jacinth-Ambrosia, but the D10 was by far the most successful investment.

The Far West Coast is being mindful of future needs and is looking at investments away from the mining sector in order to continue to provide Trust based assistance to it's members.





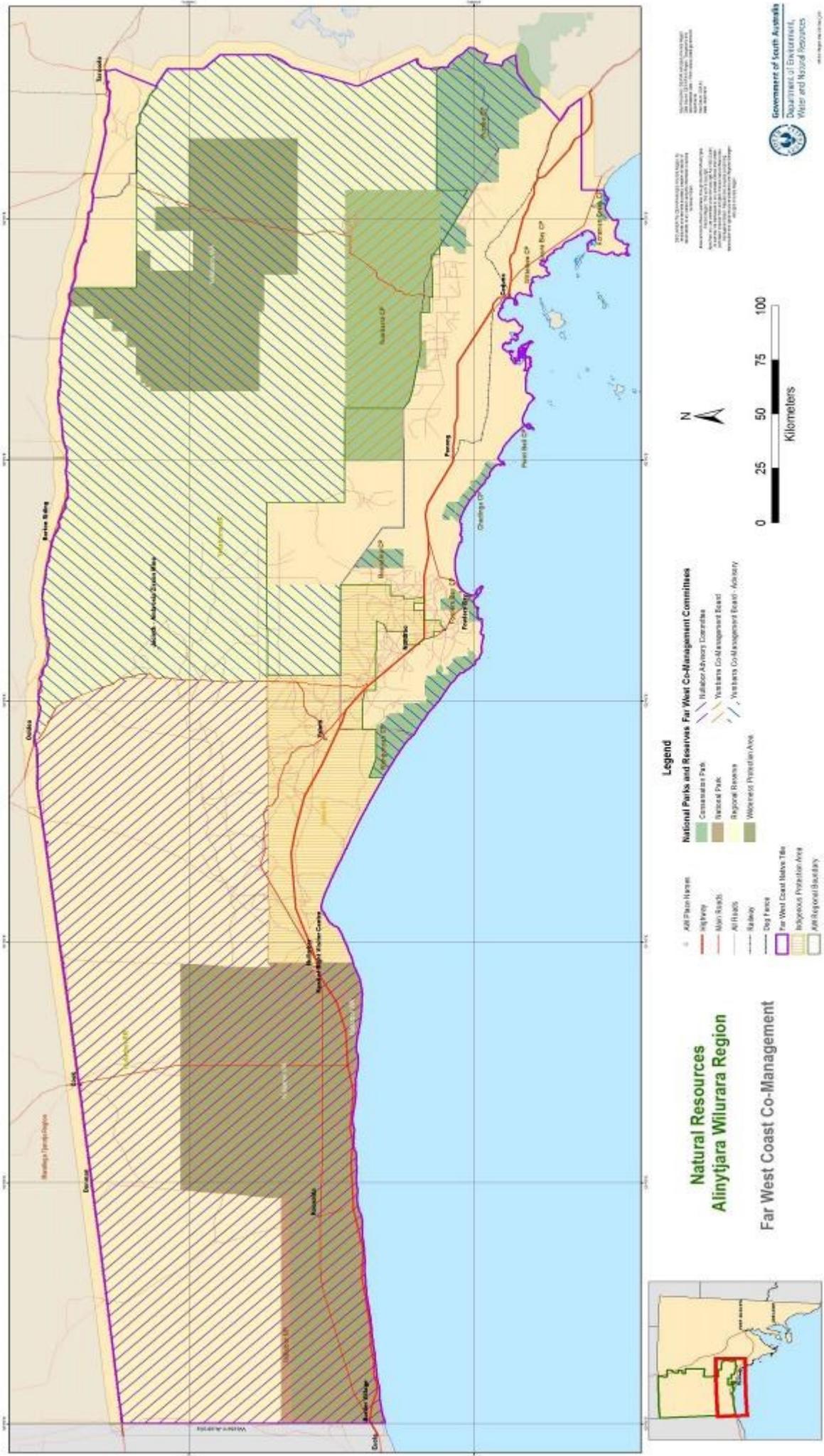
## The Far West Coast Group of Entities Investment and Benefits Structure

# Native Title Rights and Interests

10 Subject to paragraphs 11, 12, 13 and 14 the nature and extent of the native title rights and interests in the Native Title Land are non exclusive rights to use and enjoy, in accordance with the native title holders' traditional laws and customs, the land and waters, being:

- a) the right to access and move about the Native Title Land;
- b) the right to live, to camp and, for the purpose of exercising the native title rights and interests, to erect shelters and other structures on the Native Title Land;
- c) the right to hunt on the Native Title Land;
- d) the right to fish on the Native Title Land;
- e) the right to gather and use the natural resources of the Native Title Land such as food, medicinal plants, wild tobacco, timber, resin, ochre and feathers;
- f) the right to share and exchange the subsistence and other traditional resources of the Native Title Land;
- g) the right to use the natural water resources of the Native Title Land;
- h) the right to cook on the Native Title Land and to light fires for domestic purposes but not for the clearance of vegetation;
- i) the right to engage and participate in cultural activities on the Native Title Land including those relating to births and deaths;
- j) the right to conduct ceremonies and hold meetings on the Native Title Land;
- k) the right to teach on the Native Title Land the physical and spiritual attributes of locations and sites within the Determination Area;
- l) the right to visit, maintain and protect sites and places of cultural and religious significance to native title holders under their traditional laws and customs on the Native Title Land;
- m) the right to be accompanied on to the Native Title Land by those people who, though not native title holders, are:
  - (i) spouses of native title holders; or
  - (ii) people required by traditional law and custom for the performance of ceremonies or cultural activities on the Native Title Land; or
  - iii) people who have rights in relation to the Native Title Land according to the traditional laws and customs acknowledged by the native title holders.

Source: Extract from the National Native Title Register: copies of the full notice can be found at [www.fwcac.org.au/land](http://www.fwcac.org.au/land)



# Co-management Area map

