

From: Southwest Settlement

Sent: Wednesday, 20 January 2021 3:05 PM

To: shire@cranbrook.wa.gov.au

Subject: South West Native Title Settlement - Land Base Consultation - Land List 1174

Dear Sir/Madam,

The State of Western Australia has committed to allocating up to 320,000 hectares of Crown land to the Noongar People to create the Noongar Land Estate, in accordance with the six registered Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUA) for the South West Native Title Settlement (the Settlement). The ILUAs were registered at the National Native Title Tribunal on 17 October 2018 and all necessary legal processes have now been concluded. As a result, conclusive registration of the ILUAs and the commencement of the Settlement will occur in early 2021.

In the immediate future and over the 5 years of Implementation, the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage will continue work to meet key ILUA obligations in relation to the establishment of the Noongar Land Estate, in accordance with the Noongar Land Base Strategy (Annexure J to the ILUAs). The Noongar Land Base Strategy involves the identification and assessment of land parcels within the boundaries of the Settlement, for potential transfer to the future Noongar Boodja Trust. Part of the assessment process includes the referral of land parcels to relevant agencies for comment.

Further information regarding the Settlement and the Noongar Land Estate and the Noongar Land Base Strategy can be found on the Department of the Premier and Cabinet Website via the following link: [https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/departments-of-the-premier-and-cabinet/south-west-native-title-settlement](https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/departments/departments-of-the-premier-and-cabinet/south-west-native-title-settlement)

Please find attached a spreadsheet comprising of land parcels identified for possible transfer. It would be appreciated if you could provide comments on each of the land parcels directly into the column labelled 'Referee Comments' in relation to the following:

1. Is the Shire supportive of the transfer of this land to the Noongar People under the Settlement?
2. Does the Shire have any interest in the land?
3. Does the Shire have existing or planned infrastructure within the land parcel that requires protection? If yes, please provide details and advise if access to this infrastructure will need to be maintained.
4. Is the land parcel subject to any mandatory connection to services?
5. Are any future proposals for the land identified? Please provide detail of what is proposed and in what timeframe?
6. Are there any future proposals for adjoining land that may affect the land identified in the spreadsheet? If so, in what timeframe?
7. Please advise of any proposed planning scheme amendments that may affect the zoning of this land at a State or Local government level. If a scheme amendment is to occur, what is the change proposed and when will it come into effect?
8. Please advise of any known land management issues such as site contamination, hazards, debris or rubbish dumping, unauthorised land use and environmental considerations (such as inundation or similar site constraints).
9. Please provide any additional comments on the proposed transfer of this land as part of the Settlement.

Once you have considered the land identified, the South West Settlement Project team would be pleased to receive your comments by email to swsettlement@dph.wa.gov.au. In accordance with the

abovementioned Annexure J of the ILUAs, your advice is required to be returned within 40 days of receiving this email. As a result, please provide your comments by **18 March 2021**. Should this timeframe not be achievable, please let me know as a matter of priority. Where no response is received from the Shire within the 40 day timeframe, this will be taken as having no comment on the land parcels referred.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on the details below.

Kind regards
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The Department acknowledges the Aboriginal peoples of Western Australia as the traditional custodians of this land and we pay our respects to their Elders, past and present.

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