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1. INTRODUCTION

Advitech Pty Limited (trading as Advitech Environmental) was engaged by Tattersall Lander to undertake an archaeological assessment on behalf of Muscat Developments Pty Limited (the Proponent). This report contains an archaeological assessment of both the historic heritage and Aboriginal cultural heritage (the report) of the property known as Lots 1 and 2 in DP 749831 at McRaes Road Goolgowi (the study area).

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2. INVESTIGATORS AND CONTRIBUTORS

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Viki is a member of the Australian Archaeological Association, the Australia Society of Historical Archaeologists and the World Archaeological Congress.

Trey has over 2 years’ experience in recording and monitoring Aboriginal heritage sites through the Aboriginal Heritage Office Northern Region, Sydney.

3. BACKGROUND AND OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this report is to determine archaeological sensitivity and undertake an investigation of the property for archaeological features in order to provide a definitive heritage perspective of the property prior to its development for the construction of a poultry facility (see **Figure 1**). The proposed poultry farm will be situated over lots 1 & 2 in DP749831 at McRaes Road, Goolgowi. The project area comprises approximately 618 hectares, of which approximately 172 hectares will be utilised for the poultry farm operation.

It is anticipated by the Proponent that the proposed impacts of the development will include:

- The development of 5 x 20 poultry sheds and associated machinery, sheds, office and supplementary facilities;
- Minimal clearance of vegetation (maybe a few trees will be required for the road access);
- Excavation of storage dams of around 300ML each, shed, reservoir, dwellings (2), noise and odour mounds;
- Extensive vegetation rehabilitation;
- Earthworks to reconfigure site for construction of sheds; and
- Haulage to (new chicks, feed deliveries etc.) and from (grown birds) site.

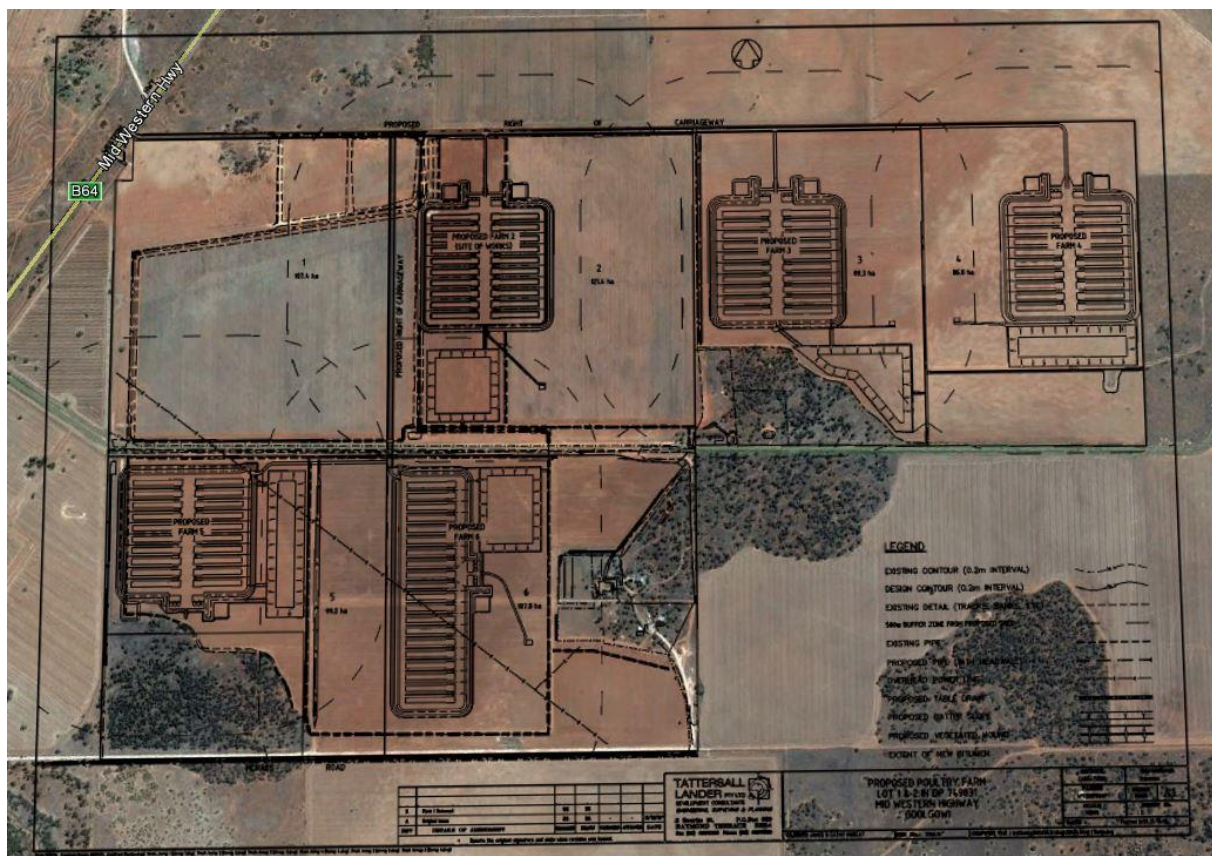


Figure 1. Proposed development plan showing impacts to study area

It is envisaged that this report will be appended to an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), which addresses environmental considerations identified in the Secretary's Environmental Assessment Requirements (SEARs), and relevant to heritage.

The Historic Heritage Assessment (see **Section 4**) has been prepared in accordance with:

- *Heritage Act 1977 (NSW)*;

- *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (NSW)*;
- *Burra Charter, 2013 (adopted 31.10.13)*; and
- *NSW Heritage Manual*.

The Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (see **Section 5**) has been prepared in accordance with:

- *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (DECCW, 2010);
- *Code of Practice for Archaeological Investigation of Aboriginal Objects in NSW. Part 6 National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* (DECCW, 2010); and
- *Guide to investigating, assessing and reporting on Aboriginal cultural heritage in NSW. Part 6 National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* (NSW Office of Environment and Heritage, 2011).



Figure 3. Regional location of study area and surrounding region. The study area is within the red circle. (Source: Sixmaps.nsw.gov.au).

4.3 Pedology/Soils

Soils in the region are typified by fine sandy clay loam surface soils (dark reddish brown; 5YR 3/5) with massive structure (earthy) and a fairly neutral pH of 7. There is a smooth, abrupt change of stratigraphy at 0.03m to a dark reddish brown (5YR 3/4) medium clay with strong pedality and a slight increase in pH to 7.5. A gradual change then occurs to a smooth boundary at 0.26m of yellowish red (reddish brown) (5YR 4/6) medium clay with moderate pedality with a high pH of 8.5. This is followed by a further gradual change at 0.72 m to reddish yellow (orange) (5YR 6/6) heavy clay with moderate pedality where the pH remains high at 8.5. Coarse fragments and pans are not evident throughout the stratigraphy whilst segregations are very few (< 2%) and calcareous (OEH Espade, 2016).

4.4 Hydrology

The study area is close to the western border of the Riverina Biogeographic Region (see **Figure 4**), the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area and the Wah Wah Irrigation District. The primary water-course in the area is the Wah Wah Creek. Approximately 400m to the south of the study area, this waterway has historically eroded and deposited alluvial sediments throughout the region. Within the study area, the run off capacity of the location is moderate, with well drained soils. Across the property there are six small dams (30 to 80 m wide). Small irrigation channels network the site and flow downstream into Wah Wah Creek; approximately 350m south of the property. The south eastern quadrant is less developed than the other quadrants of the property, with no notable drainage lines or dams. The Murrumbidgee River lies approximately 125km south of the study area.



Photo 1: Part of vegetated area in SW corner of study area

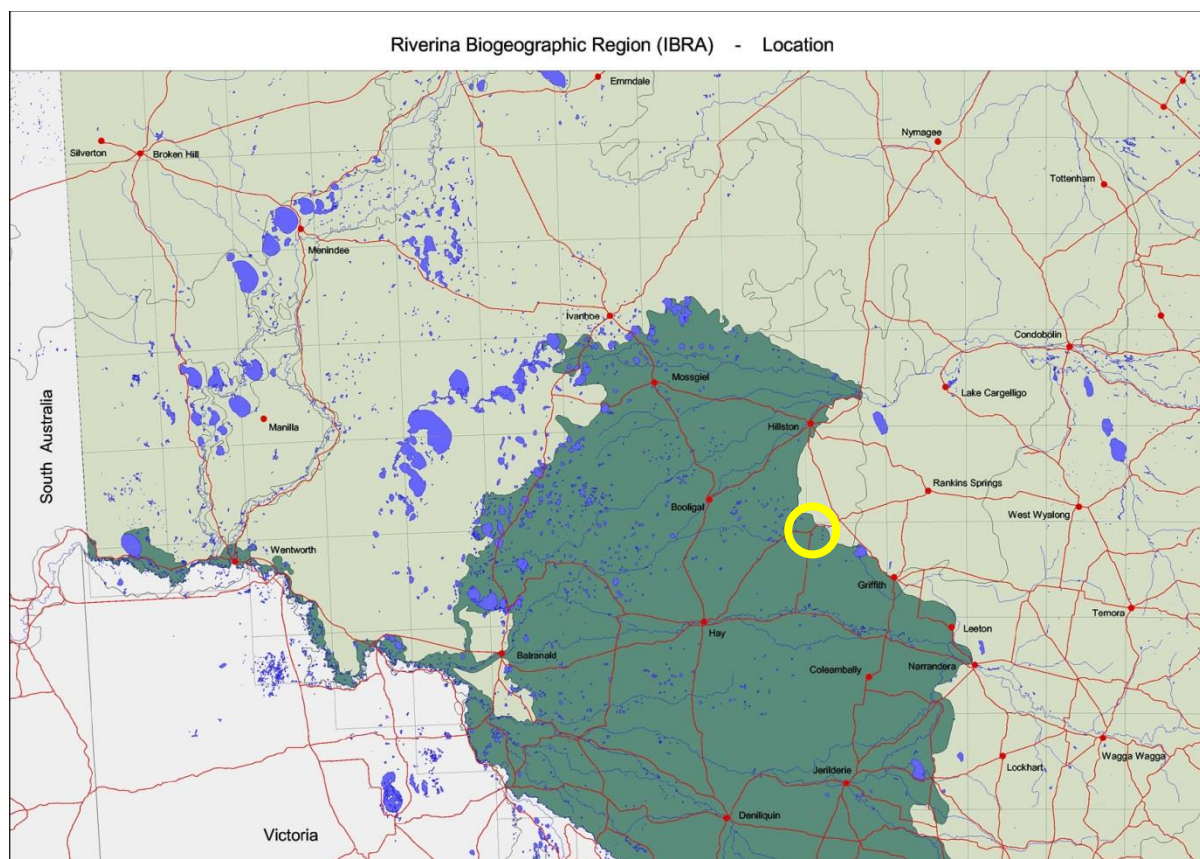


Figure 4: Riverina Biogeographic Region. Yellow circle indicates region of assessment site
(Source: <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/resources/nature/RiverinaMapsLocation.pdf>)

4.5 Geomorphology/Landforms

The study area is characterised by broad, flat to gently sloping alluvial plains, paleochannels, ephemeral streams or traces of same, floodplains and modern river channels (Meredith 2004). The study area is largely flat (< 1% slope) with no notable landforms. Artificial and natural drainage lines network throughout the property leading towards Wah Wah Creek which is approximately 360 metres distant at its closest point to the study area.

4.6 Landscape history, uses and disturbances

Land over the majority of the property has been highly disturbed through previous and current agricultural practices, particularly ploughing. Cultivation of crops is the predominant, current land practice here, and the associated re-working of sediments has disturbed soils in this area (see Photo 2). The areas with remnant (although secondary growth) vegetation appears to have been somewhat less disturbed by the intensive agriculture (at least at present) and hence may have experienced only moderate disturbances to soils. However, areas surrounding the existing residences in the South Western corner of the study area are noted as highly disturbed due to development, modification of the topography and drainage (see **Photos 2 and 3**).



Photo 2. Looking East at border of vegetated area and heavily ploughed intensive agriculture area,



Photo 3. Looking North West at the Wah Wah Channel which intersects the study area (see **Figure 2**).

5. HISTORIC HERITAGE ASSESSMENT

5.1 Methodology

The methodology undertaken for this heritage assessment included:

- Undertaking primary and secondary research on the study area in order to provide a referenced historic summary;
- Conducting statutory and non-statutory heritage database searches including the NSW State Heritage Register (SHR), NSW State Heritage Inventory (SHI), Local Environmental Plans (LEP), Relevant Section 170 Registers (S170), the Commonwealth Heritage List and National Trust Heritage List (NT);
- Conducting a site inspection of the study area;
- Undertaking heritage assessments of any potential heritage items identified through the research and site inspection; and
- Providing a statement of significance for each heritage item assessed, if any.

5.2 Statutory and Non-statutory Searches

Statutory and non-statutory heritage database searches included the NSW State Heritage Register (SHR), NSW State Heritage Inventory (SHI), *Carrathool Local Environmental Plan 2012* (LEP), Relevant Section 170 Registers (S170), Commonwealth Heritage List and National Trust Heritage List (NT).

These searches revealed that there are no items of heritage at either Local, State or National level within, or in close proximity to, the study area. However, the following important World and State Heritage Sites are noted as being within the region:

Carrathool Bridge. The heritage listing describes the Carrathool Bridge, which is approximately 45km south of the study area and over the Murrumbidgee River, as important historically. It is an Allan type timber truss road bridge, and has a rare Bascule type lift span to allow river craft to pass. In 1998 it was in good condition. As a timber truss road bridge, it has many associational links with important historical events, trends, and people, including the expansion of the road network and economic activity throughout NSW, and Percy Allan, the designer of this type of truss.

The Willandra Homestead. The State heritage listing describes the homestead, which is approximately 100km north of the study area, as a rare, intact and confident example of domestic rural architecture influenced by international trends in modern architectural design and aesthetics.

Willandra Lakes Region. The Willandra Lakes Region was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1981. The Willandra Lakes Region is an extensive area that contains a system of ancient lakes formed over the last two million years, most of which are fringed by a crescent shaped dune or lunette. Aboriginals lived on the shores of the lakes for at least 50,000 years, and the remains of a 40,000 year old female was found in the dunes of Lake Mungo (see **Section 5.5.1** for further information).

Koomaringa Aboriginal Quarry. The heritage listing describes the Koomaringa Aboriginal place as being to the north west of the Lachlan Range State Forest. It is a stone quarry utilised in pre-contact times. The Koomaringa quarry is unique in the area, and the remains of quarried felsite tools and flakes can be found throughout the region (see **Section 5.5.1** for further information).

Koonadan Aboriginal Ceremonial place. The heritage listing describes the Koonadan Aboriginal ceremonial place as being located north west of Leeton in the Riverina area of southern NSW. Koonadan is an ancestral Wiradjuri burial ground (see **Section 5.5.1** for further information).

Toogimbie Burial Ground. The heritage listing describes the Toogimbie Burial Ground as being on the southern side of the Murrumbidgee River, 35 km west of Hay. It is situated on a low sandhill rising about two metres above the river floodplain (see **Section 5.5.1** for further information).

5.3 Local Historical Context

Specific historical material relating to the development and evolving use of the study area is disparate. The study area is situated within the Parish of Wycheproof and in the County of Sturt. Whilst the property is referred to as being at Goolgowi, it is situated almost directly half way between the small rural townships of Goolgowi (to the north) and Gunbar (to the south). Primary sources of historical information reveal the study area as being owned by Augustus McRae in 1928 (LPI Parish Map 3rd Edition 1928; see **Figure 5**) and then Donald McRae in 1946 (LPI Parish Map 4th Edition 1946). A list of pioneers of Gunbar notes a Constable McRae as being in the District (Low, 1984) and a list of uncollected mail from the Hay Post Office refers to a 'D McRae' and a 'John Macrae' (Arnott, 1871).

The Gunbar Township is recorded as originally being an area that carriers used as a camping place on their way to and from Hay. The township, which was created shortly after the nearby Gunbar Station (c. 1870) originally, consisted of a hotel built by William Spry. A post office was opened in 1879 with a blacksmiths, a wheelwright, a Chinese market garden and horse stables following shortly after. In 1884, the Government Surveyor surveyed the town a mile north of the original village. However, this location, eventually referred to as North Gunbar, was not favoured due to a lack of shade and fresh well water and settlement drifted back to the original village location (Hay Historical Society, 2002).

An article in the Town and Country Journal (1887) describes the growing settlement as being divided into two distinct divisions: *The open fattening plains of saltbush and grass on the western half; and the picturesque but less fattening forest land on the east. I use the word "picturesque" for I doubt whether any other part of the colony can compare with it in variety of forest vegetation...a horseman can ride ten miles in any direction over a series of rich chocolate hills, covered with from thirty to forty varieties of large and small trees, quite a pleasing relief to the normal, sombre look of an Australian forest* (Town and Country Journal (1887), reprinted in the Riverine Grazier, 2 August 1887, page 2).

The following is extracted from a speech given by Mayor Cr. Peter Laird and Athol Roberts OAM at the Carrathool Shire Council Centenary Festival in October 2006.

Carrathool Shire Council was proclaimed as Willandra Shire on 3 March 1906. It was renamed the Carrathool Shire on 13 February 1907. The first meeting was reported to have been held in the Family Hotel Carrathool on 5 December 1906.

At that time there were only a few hundred scattered inhabitants who had nothing but their pioneering spirit with which to clear land, fight floods, droughts and the dreaded bush fires that periodically destroyed homes, properties, stock and sometimes human lives.

The area consisted mainly of large wool producing stations such as "Uardry", "Wyvern", "Groongal", "Willandra", "Trida", "Roto", "Moolbong", and "Cowl Cowl". The majority of farmers on small holdings of about 640 acres gained their main livelihood as carriers driving bullock teams carting station supplies, stores, and wool. Bush shanties were located at frequent intervals along the most frequently used roads to service travellers.

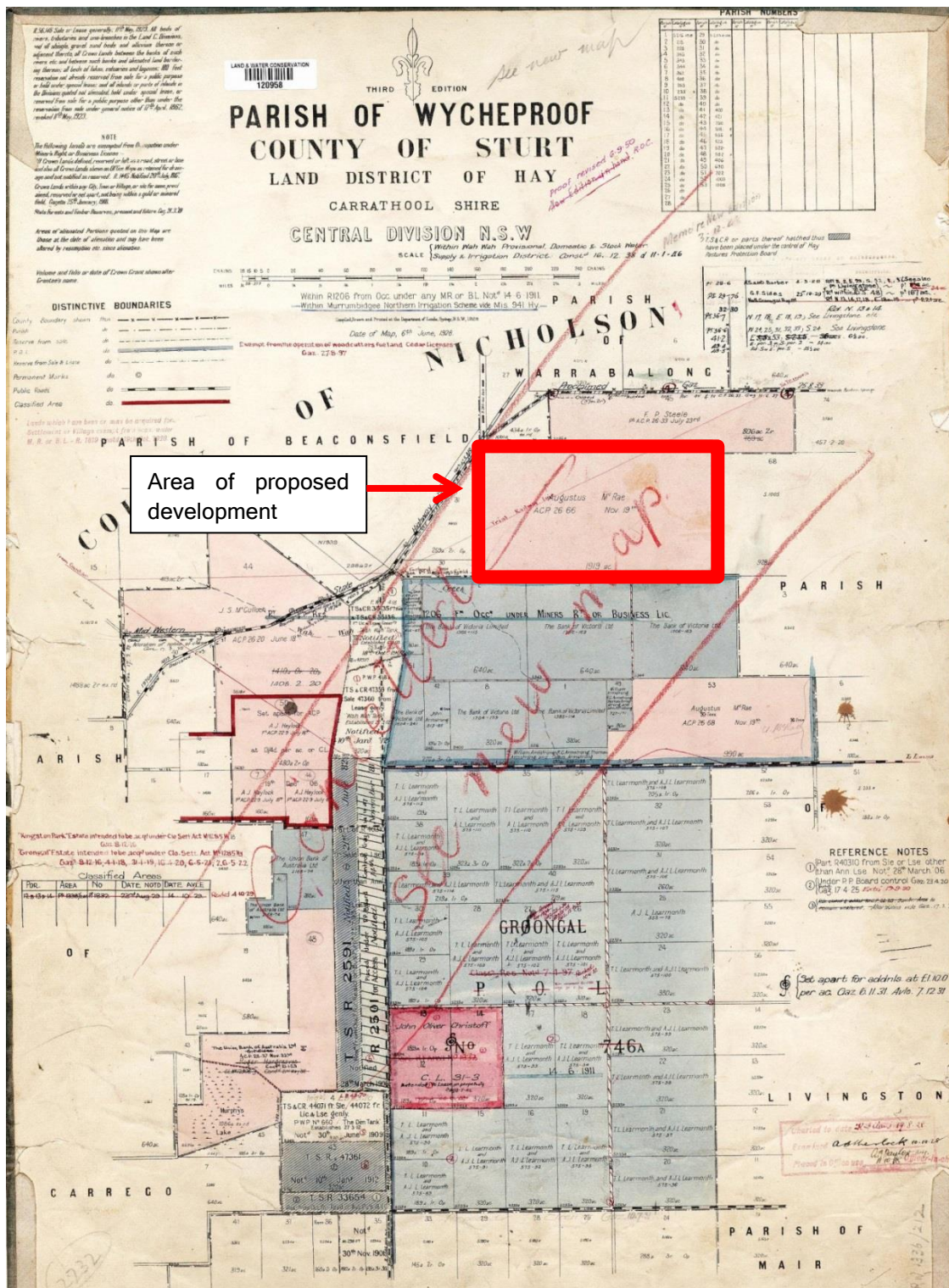


Figure 5 Parish Map of Wycheproof 1928

Of the original four small villages in the shire, population figures in 1891 were Darlington Point 57, Whitton 308, Gunbar (unknown) and Carrathool 163. Carrathool had an established river steamer service and coach service for passengers and mail three times per week to Hillston. Both Whitton and Carrathool were serviced by rail from Junee.

The Murrumbidgee River formed the southern boundary bordering both Murrumbidgee and Waradgery (now Hay) Shires. The Lachlan River formed most of the northern and western boundary bordering unincorporated land and the Hillston Municipality. The eastern boundary of the shire lay to the east of the Cocoparra, Melbergen and Lachlan Ranges in common with Lachlan, Bland and Narrandera Shires.

In 1918, Council purchased its first horse drawn grader and employed an Overseer. Contractors were engaged mostly for clearing, forming and installing culverts. Caretakers were engaged to man the punt/ferry crossings at Whitton, Darlington Point and Carrathool and to maintain public watering places throughout the shire area. In 1919 following World War I, Council carried out an immunisation campaign during the world wide influenza epidemic. The Repatriation Board provided a grant of 600 pounds to employ returned soldiers and a road clearing gang of 10 men with tools and equipment was set up.

The extension of railway services, firstly to Roto in 1918 and then from Griffith to Hillston in 1923 opened up vast areas of virgin land and expansion of wheat growing. This resulted in intense closer settlement in the early 1920's and the formation of Merriwagga, Goolgowi, Tabbita and Rankins Springs.

The Great Depression commenced in 1930 and Council was inundated with requests and petitions from those seeking relief work and rate collections were difficult. Grants were received and labour exchanges were established at Whitton, Carrathool, Goolgowi, Rankins Springs and Merriwagga with 70 men employed under gangers, principally to clear roads.

See **Section 5.5.1** for Aboriginal History.

5.4 Regional Historical Context

In 1817, the early explorer, John Oxley, after returning to the Lachlan River for want of water, noted the region as containing desolate plains that settlers would not be able to survive in (Gammage 1986, as cited in Meredith 2004). Conversely, in 1829, Charles Sturt explored the region and found it be a rich and health country with river systems swarming with fish. He considered the region to be well suited for agriculture (Gammage 1986 as cited in Meredith 2004).

By the 1850's, squatters had taken up nearly all lands located on the rivers. By the 1900's, largescale clearance of the countryside had been undertaken and cropping and grazing were undertaken using irrigation.

5.5 NSW Heritage Office assessment criteria

The NSW Heritage Office defines a series of criteria that will be used by the Heritage Council of NSW as an assessment format within NSW. The seven criteria address:

- Criterion (a)** the importance of an item in the course or pattern of the cultural or natural history of NSW or a local area [ie: *historical*].
- Criterion (b)** the existence of a strong or special association between an item and the life or works of a person or group of persons important in NSW or local cultural or natural history [ie: *historical*].
- Criterion (c)** the importance of an item in demonstrating aesthetic characteristics and/or a high degree of creative or technical achievement in NSW or a local area [ie: *aesthetic*].

- Criterion (d)** the existence of a strong or special association between an item and the social, cultural or spiritual essence of a particular community or cultural group within NSW or a local area [ie: *social*].
- Criterion (e)** the potential of an item to provide information that will contribute to an understanding of the cultural or natural history of NSW or a local area [ie: *scientific*].
- Criterion (f)** the quality of an item to possess uncommon, rare or endangered aspects of the cultural or natural history of NSW or a local area [ie: *rare* degree of significance].
- Criterion (g)** the demonstration by an item of the principal characteristics of a class of cultural or natural place or cultural or natural environment within NSW or a local area. [ie: *representative* degree of significance].

No items assessable under the NSW Heritage Office Assessment criteria were located in the study area.

5.6 Physical and Heritage Impact

As no items of Historic Heritage were located on the property there will be no impacts to Historic Heritage as a result of the proposed development.

5.7 Statement of Heritage Impact

No Statement of Heritage Impact is required due to the absence of any Historic Heritage on the property.

6. ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE ASSESSMENT

The following assessment has been undertaken in accordance with *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (DECCW, 2010A).

A review of the archaeological literature of the region and the results of an OEH AHIMS search provides contextual information for the current assessment. Thus, it is possible to obtain a broader picture of the wider cultural landscape highlighting the range of site types throughout the region, frequency and distribution patterns and the likely presence of any sites within the study area. It is then possible to use the archaeological context in combination with the review of environmental conditions to establish an archaeological predictive model for the study area.

6.1 Local and Regional Archaeological Context

It would appear that very few archaeological surveys and or Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessments have been undertaken in proximity to the study area. The following is a review of reports produced during previous archaeological assessments within the region of the study area.

Meredith, S. (2004). *Aboriginal Heritage Study for Barren Box Swamp Embankment Construction and Rehabilitated Wetland.* Report for Murrumbidgee Irrigation Limited.

This study was undertaken for Murrumbidgee Irrigation Limited's proposed development of a water storage facility at Barren Box Swamp (approximately 30km from the study area). Meredith (2004) notes the presence of ceremonial, dreaming and story lines found throughout the region. Burial sites are most often found in sandy deposits although not exclusively. Fish traps were set up at water sources including rivers, creeks and drainage channels. Modified trees were common on the Riverine plains with pine trees used to mark burial grounds. Occupation resources included ovens, hearths and middens.

Overall, stone tools were most commonly of silcrete material. However, chert, quartzite, basalt and flint tools have also been located. These were usually obtained from bedrock, stone outcrops or river and creek beds.

A total of 55 sites were recorded within an area of 1500 hectares. A full detailed record of all sites and objects found is not contained with the report; however, a sample survey was undertaken with the largest and smallest stone artefacts recorded at each site being used in order to establish potential patterns that relate to site locations around the swamp. The finding was that the eastern shore line of the study area had larger artefacts in greater density than the south western margin.

Martin, S. (2010). *Archaeological research, characterisation and predictive modelling project: Aboriginal Use on the Lowbidgee and Lower Lachlan Rivers Wetlands under the NSW Rivers Environmental Restoration Program.* Report to Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water,

This research was undertaken in order to demonstrate a continuing connection between the Aboriginal communities and the Lowbidgee and Lower Lachlan River Wetlands. The main area of the survey is approximately 200km south west of the study area but still relevant due to the remoteness of the area and the landscape features (see **Section 3**). The survey recorded 1168 locations with cultural resources during a survey of potential areas that had not been previously surveyed or recorded. The archaeological material located included earth mounds and middens which contained the remains of cooked aquatic plants and animals common to the wetlands, ancestral burials, stone artefacts, heat retaining ovens, modified trees.

Bipolar micro blade technology, which is characterised by relatively small artefacts and reduced cores, has been found to be the dominant tool characteristic south of the Murrumbidgee River (Martin, 2010). North of the Murrumbidgee, the tool technology appears to be more utilitarian in nature and include a 'split cobble' technology.

This research has shown that occupation sites with associated resources are the most frequently recorded site type and are commonly located along or adjacent to watercourses, and on elevated relatively flat to gently sloping topography in close proximity to reliable water.

Due to variations in both the amount of data that is included in the above reports, and the terms different archaeologists used to describe artefact types, it is not practicable to provide a count of the different artefact types or more detailed analysis of artefacts found. These investigations, although from the surrounding region, do provide an overall indication of the past occupation of the Wiradjuri on the riverine plains. This allows for comparisons between areas, proximity to water, preferred landforms, site types, raw materials and artefact types in certain areas, thus providing a bigger picture of past occupation.

6.2 OEHS Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System (AHIMS)

A search of the OEHS AHIMS register has shown that there are no known Aboriginal sites currently recorded within a 1000 metre radius of the study area. The AHIMS results are provided in **Appendix 1**.

There are many variables that must be considered when using the Aboriginal Heritage Information System (AHIMS). More particularly, site coordinates, and descriptions are not always correct due to the following factors:

- Errors resulting from the evolution of subsequent computer systems used by OEHS that have failed to account for or correctly translate old coordinate systems, such as topographic map references, to new systems;
- Errors resulting from human error or incorrect descriptions of locality on the site cards submitted to AHIMS;
- Errors resulting from data input. Most commonly the naming of the correct mapping system used; and
- Few sites have been updated on the AHIMS register to record if they have been subject to a s87 or s90 permit and, as such, what sites remain in the local area and what sites have been destroyed is unknown.

6.3 Existing Predictive Models of Past Aboriginal Land Use

The main aim of this assessment is to attempt to define both the potential nature and extent of Aboriginal occupation across the study area. As a result, the nature of the analysis will focus on both the landform units and known sites. The purpose of this strategy is to highlight any variations between sites and associated assemblages, landforms and resources across the area. In doing this, it is possible to identify variation across the landscape, landforms and assemblages that correspond with variation in the general patterns of landscape use and occupation. The nature of activities and occupation can often be identified through the analysis of stone artefact distributions across a landscape. No Aboriginal objects have been registered on or within 1000m of the study area.

A general model of forager settlement patterning in the archaeological record has been established by Foley (1981). This model distinguishes the residential 'home base' site with peripheral 'activity locations'. Home base sites generally occur in areas with good access to a wide range of resources (reliable water, raw materials, and so on). The degree of environmental reliability, such as reliable water and subsistence resources, may influence the rate of return and length of occupation of sites

and hence the complexity of evidence. Home base sites generally show a greater diversity of artefacts and raw material types (which represent a greater array of activities performed at both the site and immediate area). Activity locations occur within the foraging radius (approximately 10km) of a home base camp (Renfrew and Bahn 1991). Based on the premise that these sites served as a focus of a specific activity, they will show a low diversity in artefacts and are not likely to contain features reflecting a base camp (such as hearths). However, it is also possible that the location of certain activities cannot be predicted or identified, adding to the increased dispersal of cultural material across the landscape. If people were opting to carry stone tools during hunting and gathering journeys throughout the area rather than manufacturing tools at task locations, an increased number of used tools should be recovered from low density and dispersed assemblages.

Meredith (2004) notes that Aboriginal objects within the study area's region would be expected to occur at or near natural features such as rivers, creeks, lakes, swamps and waterholes. Water was a precious resource for Wiradjuri people who had knowledge of places where it could be located. The Barren Box swamp, which is approximately 30km from the study area, was a rich resourceful area known and used by the Wiradjuri. Native animals, such as kangaroos, emus, goannas, ringtail possums, wallabies, frogs, fish (including catfish, tench, redbfin and bony brim) were plentiful (Meredith 2004).

6.4 The Landscape and Cultural Heritage

The following is extracted from 'What is an Aboriginal Cultural Landscape?' (DECCW, 2010):

All landscapes contain evidence of human use. The way that perceptions, beliefs, stories, experiences and practices give shape, form and meaning to a landscape is termed a cultural landscape (ACH, 1998). An Aboriginal cultural landscape is 'a place or area valued by an Aboriginal group (or groups) because of their long and complex relationship with that land. It expresses their unity with the natural and spiritual environment and embodies their traditional knowledge of spirits, places, land uses, and ecology. Material remains of the association may be prominent, but will often be minimal or absent.

The landscape scale of cultural heritage is similar to the concept of 'whole-of-landscape' in ecosystem conservation - just as there is connectivity between all parts of natural ecosystems (e.g. plants, animals, soils and water) there is connectivity between cultural objects and places through past human behaviour patterns. The cultural landscape concept emphasises the landscape-scale of history and the connectivity between people, places and heritage items. It recognises that the present landscape is the product of long-term and complex relationships between people and the environment.

Aboriginal cultural landscapes are comprised of:

Significant biodiversity and a diverse range of ecological systems and associations, all of which contributed to the continuing existence of Aboriginal peoples in the region over many thousands of years, and which are valued in different ways by Aboriginal communities today;

- *Material remains of this continuing occupation in the form of a diverse array of Aboriginal sites and places known to the Aboriginal communities, some of which will be recorded on the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water's Aboriginal Heritage Information Management System.*
- *Extensive historical records from 1788 through to today which record observations of Aboriginal people and lifestyles, wars, massacres, social and cultural events, population*

census, social interactions, language etc, and which influence Aboriginal community values today.

- *An Aboriginal population made up of people who have traditional association and knowledge of the region, as well as others who live, work and play within the region, all of whom may attribute various values with the area, derived from the distant and recent past, through to the present day.*

For Aboriginal people, the significance of individual landscape features is derived from their inter-relatedness within the cultural landscape. This means features cannot be assessed in isolation and any assessment must consider the feature and its associations in a holistic manner. This may require a range of assessment methods and will always require the close involvement and participation of Aboriginal people. By consulting with Aboriginal people and using the concept of cultural landscapes, the story behind the features can be told which demonstrates the associations that may exist between Aboriginal objects and other features within the landscape (DECCW, 2010).

There was no indication that the study area was part of an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Landscape.

6.5 Local and Regional Character of Aboriginal Land Use and its Material Traces

6.5.1 Aboriginal History

Martin's (2010), archaeological research, characterisation and predictive modelling project, provided an insight into the traditional Aboriginal use of the area. Martin's (2010) research noted the remains of plant foods such as cumbungi, lake and river mussel, freshwater snail, yabby, fish, turtle and aquatic birds and their eggs. Vegetation prior to non-Aboriginal settlement is summarised by Martin & Pardoe (2001) as follows:

Prior to European settlement, the landscape of the Murrumbidgee Province was probably more diverse in the sense of a more patchy mosaic of grasses, chenopods and trees. The introduction of sheep and cattle destroyed many plant communities, including many of the reed beds.

Martin also found many trees possessing scars from canoe manufacture. Canoes were used to not only traverse the wetlands but for hunting, gathering and fishing. Smaller scars were found to represent the use of small canoes referred to as 'drag alongs' which were used by Aboriginal woman whilst they collected tubers and mussels. Grinding dishes and pestles indicated the preparation of seeds, tubers and roots for consumption (Martin 2010). During the field survey various scarred trees were noted. However, the scarring does not conform to previous Aboriginal use. It is believed that the scarring has occurred from natural disease, breakage or animal interference.

The local Aboriginal clans of the area, at the time of non-Aboriginal settlement, were considered to be known as the Narrungdera and were part of the language group known as Wiradjuri. Historical records note that the Narrungdera conflicted with the earliest non-Aboriginal settlers in what was effectively an undeclared frontier war over many years. The Narrungdera considered the 'visitors' to be 'barbarians' who introduced animals that rapidly destroyed the grasses and reed beds of the nearby swamplands (Gammage, 1986, as cited in Meredith, 2004).

Wiradjuri people from neighbouring clans joined together to manage the regions resources, for ceremony or celebration, settlement of disputes and marriages. The social structure, beliefs and cultural practices were mainly similar within the locality and region (Meredith 2004). In 1883, Grassby

(1988 as cited in Meredith 2004) states that the Wiradjuri and Kamilaroi, the Eastern neighbours of the Wiradjuri, worked together in order to protect themselves and their lands.

Trade with neighbours of the Wiradjuri included Mt William greenstone axes from a known stone quarry in middle Victoria (see **Figure 6**).

After thousands of years of occupation, the destruction of Wiradjuri infrastructure, including watering holes, hunting and ceremonial grounds ended the ability for Wiradjuri people to maintain independence. Wiradjuri people began to gather on settler stations that were considered safe from punitive and indiscriminate shootings (Elphick 2000).

The following State Heritage Listed Aboriginal places exist within a regional context and provide a further historical aspect to Aboriginal culture within the region:

Willandra Lakes Region. The Willandra Lakes Region was inscribed on the World Heritage List in 1981. The Willandra Lakes Region is an extensive area that contains a system of ancient lakes formed over the last two million years, most of which are fringed by a crescent shaped dune or lunette. Aboriginal Australians lived on the shores of the lakes for thousands of years, and the remains of a female ('Mungo Lady') found in the dunes of Lake Mungo in 1968 are believed to be the oldest ritual cremation site in the world. In 1974, the ochred burial of a male Aboriginal 'Mungo Man' was found nearby. Both skeletons are believed to be 40,000 years old. In 2003, nearly 460 fossilised human footprints were discovered, the largest collection of its kind in the world. The prints were made by children, adolescents and adults 19,000 to 23,000 years ago in wet clay. The clay, containing calcium carbonate, hardened like concrete, and a layer of clay and sand protected the prints. During the last Ice Age, when the lakes were full, the Mungo people camped along the lake shore, taking advantage of a wide range of food including freshwater mussels, yabbies, golden perch and Murray cod, large emus and a variety of marsupials, which probably included the now extinct giant kangaroos. They also exploited plant resources, particularly when the lakes began to dry and food was less abundant. The human history of the region is not restricted just to an ancient episode and evidence points to an extraordinary continuity of occupation over long periods of time. In the top layers of sediments, there is evidence of occupation over the last 10,000 years (World Heritage List File No 1/05/360/0002; Fox 1992).

Koomaringa Aboriginal Quarry. The heritage listing describes the Koomaringa Aboriginal place as being to the north west of the Lachlan Range State Forest. It is a stone quarry utilised in pre-contact times. The Koomaringa quarry is unique in the area, and the remains of quarried felsite tools and flakes can be found throughout the region. As well as providing material evidence of the various steps involved in tool-making, quarries are important because they can provide information about Aboriginal trade routes (National Parks and Wildlife listing 1992/A/12010 & NPWS 1201).

Koonadan Aboriginal Ceremonial place. The heritage listing describes the Koonadan Aboriginal ceremonial place as being located north west of Leeton in the Riverina area of southern NSW. Koonadan is an ancestral Wiradjuri burial ground. In the early 1980s, Aboriginal skeletal remains were found in the sand dune at Koonadan. It is next to Tuckerbil Swamp with a low sand dune on the northern side of the site, and the Yanco-Griffith railway line to the east. In pre-contact times Wiradjuri people hunted and fished around Koonadan and nearby Tuckerbil Swamp. Koonadan was also associated with ceremonies, but ceremonial grounds have been erased by land use. The area was linked to a corroboree site at Yanco: after a corroboree Wiradjuri people would go to Koonadan and surrounds to gather food (National Parks and Wildlife listing NSW 1992/A/10183-3 and NPWS A10185).

Toogimbie Burial Ground. The heritage listing describes the Toogimbie Burial Ground as being on the southern side of the Murrumbidgee River, 35 km west of Hay. It is situated on a low sandhill rising about two metres above the river floodplain. Toogimbie Burial Ground is especially important to members of the Nari Nari Tribal Council (Hay) and the Hay Local Aboriginal Land Council. The place is a rare example of an Aboriginal burial ground and is part of the Dreamtime Aboriginal story of the Hay Plain. The dune is sparsely vegetated with low shrubs (for example, cotton bush and saltbush species). Extensive evidence of Aboriginal settlement and ways of living are found across the Hay Plains and along the Murrumbidgee River (National Parks and Wildlife NSW listing OEH11/5583 and DOC12/20249).

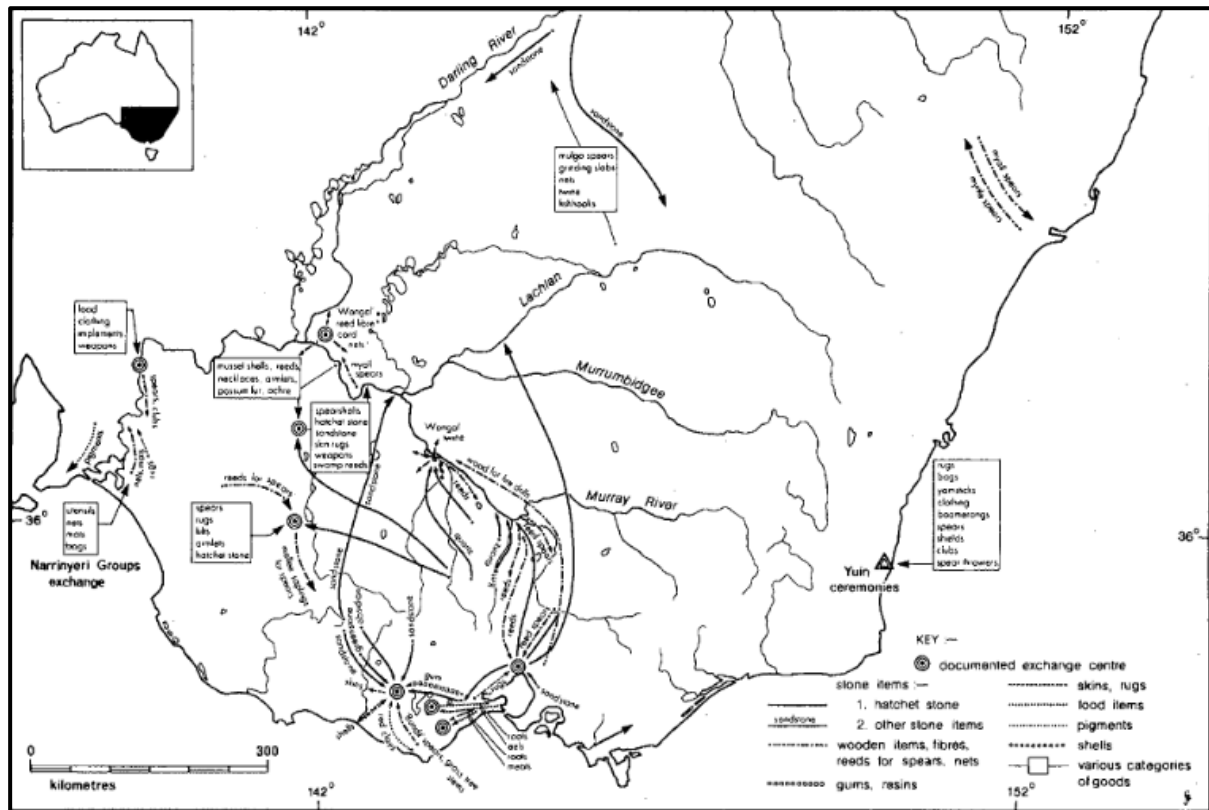


Figure 6: Documented exchanges of goods between Aboriginal people of South Eastern Australia (McBryde 1984)

6.5.2 Contemporary Cultural Accounts

During Martin's (2010) Wetlands survey, 57 plants and 30 animals with associated current cultural uses were recorded. Current Aboriginal community use of the wetlands includes the collection of fish, yabbies, cray, birds, 'barti' grubs and plant foods. Medicines, firewood and traditional materials such as feathers, wood, resin and bark were also procured from the Wetlands (Martin, 2010).

Contemporary cultural use of the area is largely recreational. However, stakeholders noted that camping, boating, swimming, the teaching of traditional knowledge and cultural activities still occur (Martin, 2010). Meredith (2004) notes that many Wiradjuri descendants still live close to their traditional country and that, as a contemporary view, take care of both the country they are living in as well as being involved in management of their traditional country areas.

6.5.3 Cultural significance

The Burra Charter (2013) defines 'cultural significance' very broadly to include 'aesthetic, historical, scientific, social or spiritual value for past, present or future generations'. This definition captures places of cultural significance to Indigenous cultures. It also includes places that provide a physical location that is integral to the existence, observation and practice of intangible heritage. The Burra Charter definition of cultural significance encompasses all forms of spirituality, regardless of the culture from which it emanates. Similarly, aesthetic value is not limited to a 'western' perception of aesthetics (taken from ICOMOS Practice Note: The Burra Charter and Indigenous Cultural Heritage Management).

During this assessment, the registered Aboriginal stakeholders did not indicate whether the area was culturally significant. However, during a telephone conversation with Mr Max Harris, Sites Officer for Griffith LALC, Mr Harris did indicate verbally that Aboriginal objects were previously found, on a property near to the study area and close to the Wah Wah River. This would indicate that the area was traditionally used.

Mr Graham Moore advised that as the area was located between the Lachlan River to the north west, and the Murrumbidgee River to the south, it would have contained a variety of suitable resources for Aboriginal people (pers. comm. January 2016). Mr Moore had previously partaken in a survey in a similar riverine region, south of the study area, and advised that the region was considered culturally significant to Aboriginal people of the region. He further noted that the study area, prior to development, may have contained earth mounds and Aboriginal objects given the results of other surveys in the region.

No items of cultural significance were noted within the study area.

6.6 Predictive Model for the Study Area

A predictive model of site types and site patterning for the study area is generally achieved through a review of previous archaeological studies undertaken throughout the locality and the region, the OEH AHIMS register and the environmental context of the study area. The aim of a predictive model is to understand the nature of previous Aboriginal occupation and determine the nature of land use. This theme often aims to identify and explain archaeological patterning in site type, content and distribution. General archaeological theories have been developed outlining the relationship between land use patterns and the resulting archaeological evidence.

Comparable data from archaeological research within the locality to support a predictive model for this study area is disparate. However, and based on the landscape of an alluvial river plain, it is considered that in its natural condition, the study area would have historically provided Aboriginal people with a variety of flora and faunal resources. The Wah Wah Creek is the nearest and relatively reliable source of water but it is some 400 metres from the South Eastern border of the study area. There are no elevated landforms suitable for occupation during times of inundation. In accordance with Foley's model (1981), it is envisaged that the area was most likely only used for opportunistic hunting or gathering of resources whilst accessing the Wah Wah Creek. As found in Martin (2010), and as pertains to floodplains in the region, it is highly unlikely that the area provides potential for burials due to its tendency for inundation. However, the study area was considered a potential area for the presence of culturally modified trees.

Notwithstanding the predictive model above, the highly disturbed state of the majority study area removes virtually all likelihood for the presence of Aboriginal objects except in those areas with remnant vegetation and more particularly in the south eastern corner.



Photo 4: Looking West across centre of study area

6.6.1 Limitations

Predicative modelling can provide a good indication of site types and site patterning in the area. However, it can also be influenced by a variety of factors including the following:

- Aboriginal people involved in previous studies or surveys may not have disclosed the existence of places with cultural heritage values as they may not have been under immediate threat when the earlier study was undertaken;
- The distribution of surface archaeological material does not necessarily reflect that of sub-surface deposits;
- The number of studies recorded or published in the local area. Fewer studies suggest that sites were possibly developed prior to introduction of the current regulations and guidelines or that little development has been undertaken in the area;
- The number of sites may reflect the number of surveys done. For example, a large percentage of sites found along creek lines may be, at least partially, representative of how many cultural heritage surveys focused on these landforms;
- A report from AHIMS does not represent a comprehensive list of all Aboriginal objects or places in the local or region of the study area as it lists recorded sites only and is mostly a record of survey effort (OEH, 2011).
- Ground surface visibility and vegetation hinders the finding of site locations;
- The distribution of surface archaeological material does not necessarily reflect that of sub-surface deposits;

- The geomorphologies of the majority of NSW soils and high levels of erosion affect sites and site contents, and the extent of those disturbances is unknown. For example, a site identified at the base of an eroded slope may have originally derived from the upper crest;
- Biases due to differential sampling of landforms based on decisions made by archaeologists;
- As a result of restrictions due to the locations of proposed development areas,
- Levels of exposure on different landforms;
- Artefact counts can be skewed due to factors such as differing levels of fragmentation of material and levels of ground surface visibility. A very large number of sites/ artefacts can be located on exposures with either no or very few artefacts visible away from the exposures;
- In relation to stone artefact raw materials, it is important to note that there is a potential for discrepancies in the way in which archaeologists classify lithic materials. This will consequently affect the proportional representation of raw materials within the recorded assemblages; and
- Variation in the classificatory definitions employed by archaeologists will significantly influence the range of artefact types identified within a study area. For example, the distinction between a waste flake, a debitage flake and a flaked piece may be heavily subject to the perspective of the recorder. Thus, it is not productive to attempt to quantify the proportionate representation of artefact types identified in previous studies.

6.6.2 Model of Occupation for Goolgowi

A general set of predictions, consistent with other studies in the region (for example, Martin, 2010; Martin and Pardoe, 2010; and Meredith, 2004) and forager settlement patterning (Foley, 1981; and Renfrew) is summarised as follows:

- The area may have previously been used by Aboriginal people for short term occupation or intermittent foraging and resource gathering activities incidental collection of resources;
- There is no indication that features requiring a considerable labour investment such as stone lined ovens or heat treatment pits are present in the study area. The presence of these features would indicate occupation for extended periods of time;
- It is considered that group mobility in the study area was high. Campsites frequently shifted throughout the landscape and artefact assemblages are not expected to contain elements such as grindstones, heat-treatment pits, ovens and the diversity of implements frequently discarded at places of extended residential occupation; and
- Due to a lack of permanent freshwater sources in the study area, it is considered that camp sites would have occurred closer to the Wah Wah River.

6.6.3 Archaeological Potential in the Study Area

Taking into account previous archaeological studies in the region (see **Section 5.1**), the vast majority of artefactual material in the region was observed on exposures with good to excellent ground surface visibility. The likelihood of finding artefacts surrounding these exposures was reduced due to poor visibility. Isolated artefacts are usually identified in areas where ground surface visibility is increased due to lack of vegetation. Erosion, agricultural activities (such as ploughing) and access ways can also expose surface artefacts (Brooks *et al*, 2009). However, no Aboriginal objects were noted at surface level within ploughed areas. Artefact scatters, which are also described as open campsites,

include archaeological remains such as stone artefacts, shell, and sometimes hearths. Based on information gained from regional studies, it can be expected that:

- the likelihood of locating sites increases with proximity to water;
- the likelihood of finding large sites increases markedly with proximity to water;
- in swamp areas, sites are more likely to be found on the elevated margins of the swamp;
- a variety of raw materials will be represented though the majority of sites but will be predominated by silcrete;
- a variety of artefact types will be located though the majority will be flakes, flaked pieces and debitage;
- the likelihood of finding scarred trees is moderate to high dependent on the level of previous clearing in an area; and
- the majority of sites will be subject to disturbances including human and natural.

There is a nil to very low chance that Aboriginal object(s) may be present within the study area. This conclusion is based on:

- the lack of Aboriginal objects found during the survey;
- the lack of Aboriginal sites or places registered within the locality;
- the results of past archaeological studies;
- a lack of freshwater within the study area;
- the landscape of the study area; and
- the highly disturbed nature of the study area due to intensive clearing and agricultural practices.

6.7 Archaeological report, survey and data collection

6.7.1 Methodology

The purpose of an archaeological survey is to record all material traces and evidence of Aboriginal and use that are visible on the ground surface or exposed otherwise. It is also to physically identify where areas may be inferred as being likely to contain Aboriginal objects beneath the ground surface.

Areas that were relatively undisturbed with the greatest exposure of ground surface and with landforms suitable for occupation were targeted in the field survey. Those areas are highlighted in **Figure 7**. The majority of the study area has been intensively modified by agriculture, associated irrigation and development for farming infrastructure. Transects are noted in **Figure 8** and were undertaken on foot. Start and end points were all defined by the limit of the vegetated, as opposed to ploughed, areas.

Survey units have not been defined for this survey due to the similarity of the landscape forms across the entire study area. The study area is a flood plain and either consists of cleared and ploughed areas or vegetated areas which have previously been cleared (see **Photos 1 to 3**).

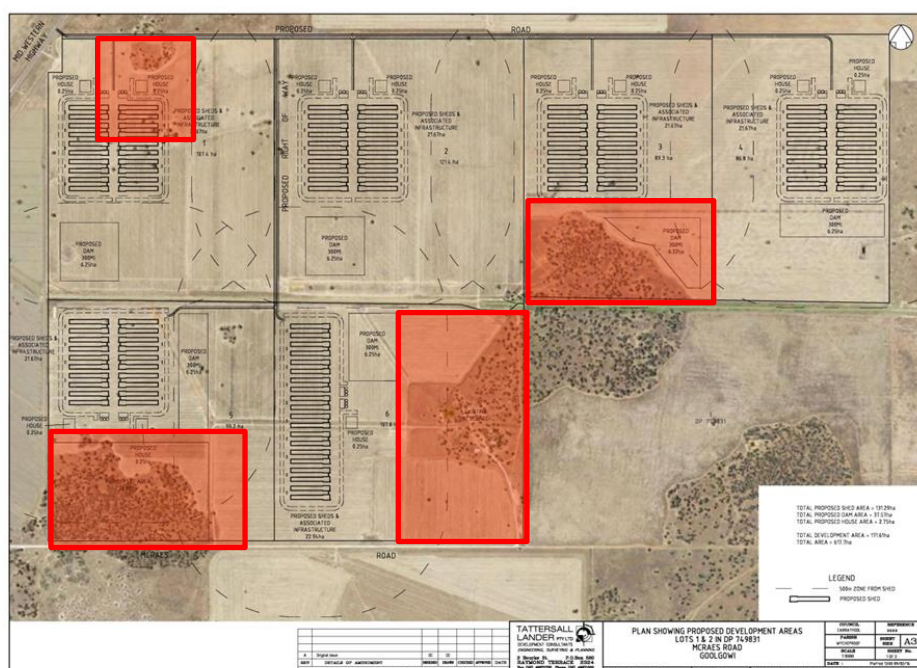


Figure 7: Aerial of survey area showing initial concept design of proposed development with targeted surveyed areas noted in red (Source: Tattersall Lander Pty Ltd)

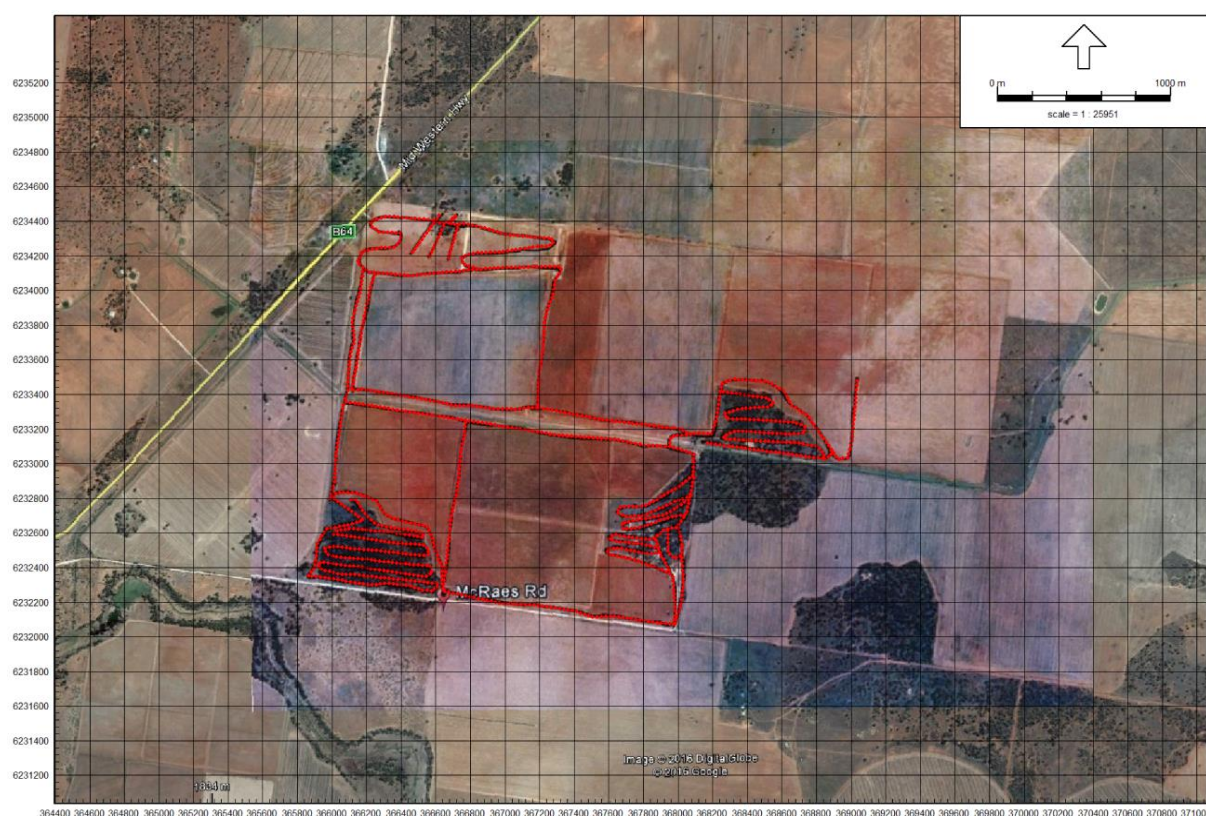


Figure 8. MGA94 GPS grid noting transects undertaken by foot during field survey.

6.7.2 Survey coverage

In order to determine the conditions present and effectiveness of the survey, the following survey coverage data is provided (see **Table 1**). Effective coverage is an estimate of the amount of ground observed taking into account local constraints on site discovery such as vegetation and soil cover. There are two components used to determine the effective coverage: visibility and exposure.

Visibility is the amount of bare ground on the exposures which may reveal artefacts or other cultural materials, or visibility refers to 'what conceals'. Visibility is hampered by vegetation, plant or leaf litter, loose sand, stony ground or introduced materials (such as rubbish). On its own, visibility is not a reliable factor in determining the detectability of subsurface cultural materials (DECCW 2010/783:39).

The second component in establishing effective coverage is exposure. Exposure refers to 'what reveals'. It estimates the area with a likelihood of revealing subsurface cultural materials rather than just an observation of the amount of bare ground. Exposure is the percentage of land for which erosion and exposure is sufficient to reveal cultural materials on the surface (DECCW 2010/783:37).

The effective coverage for the study area was determined for both visibility and exposure ratings and **Table 1** details the visibility rating system used. As indicated in **Table 1**, the effective coverage for the study area illustrates the overall effectiveness of the survey.

As indicated in **Table 1**, the effective coverage for the study area is 81% with clearance and ploughing being the limiting factor.

Table 1. Survey effective coverage

SU	Landform	Area (ha)	Vis. %	Exp. %	Exposure type	Previous disturbances	Present disturbances	Limiting visibility factors	Effective coverage (ha)
1	Flood plain	618	90%	90%	clearance, agriculture	inundation, irrigation channels	clearance, ploughing, residential development, irrigation channels, piles of wood stone and rubbish	improvements, stock, recently cropped and ploughed fields	501
Totals		618							501
Effective coverage %									81.00%

As indicated in **Table 2**, the only landform present within the study area was a flood plain.

Table 2. Landform summary

Landform	Landform area (ha)	Area effectively surveyed	% of landform	Number of sites	Number of artefacts
Flood plain	618	618	100	0	0

6.7.3 Results

As indicated in **Tables 1** and **2**, there was a high degree of exposure and visibility for the study area due to both past and present disturbances. The intensive clearance of vegetation, ploughing, modifications for irrigation and overland inundation that has occurred within the study area has, or should have, revealed any Aboriginal objects or the likelihood of the present of any Aboriginal objects. No Aboriginal objects or items, or potential archaeological deposits, indicating the presence of an Aboriginal cultural landscape were found during the survey.

6.8 Consultation

The following is partially extracted from the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (DECCW, 2010).

In relation to cultural significance, Advitech and the Proponent recognise and support the indigenous system of knowledge. That is, that knowledge is not 'open' in the sense that everyone has access and an equal right to it. Knowledge is not always definitive (in the sense that there is only one right answer) and knowledge is often restricted. As access to this knowledge is power, it must be controlled by people with the appropriate qualifications (usually based on age seniority, but may be based on other factors). Thus, it is important to obtain information from the correct people: those that hold the appropriate knowledge of those sites and/or areas relevant to the project. It is noted that only the Aboriginal community can identify and determine the accepted knowledge holder(s).

If knowledge is shared, that information must be used correctly and per the wishes of the knowledge holder. Whilst an archaeologist may view this information as data, a custodian may view this information as highly sensitive, secret/sacred information and may place restrictions on its use. Thus it is important for Advitech to engage in affective and long term consultation to ensure knowledge is shared and managed in a suitable manner that will allow for the appropriate management of that site/area.

Advitech and the proponent also recognise that archaeologists do not have the capability or the right to adjudicate on the spirituality of a particular location or site as this is the exclusive right of the traditional owners who have the cultural and hereditary association with the land of their own ancestors. For these reasons, consultation forms an integral component of all projects and this information is sought from the registered stakeholders to be included in the assessment in the appropriate manner that is stipulated by those with the information.

6.8.1 Stage 1: Notification of Project Proposal & Registration of Interest

The aim of this stage is to identify, notify and register Aboriginal people and/or groups who hold cultural knowledge that is relevant to the project area, and who can determine the cultural significance of any Aboriginal objects and/or places within the proposed project area. In order to do this, the sources identified by OEH (2010A) and listed in **Table 3**, were contacted by letter on the dates identified in **Table 3**. A reply was requested within 2 weeks and it was stipulated that if no response was received, the project and consultation would proceed. Information included in the correspondence to the sources listed in **Table 3** included the name and contact details of the proponent, an overview of the proposed project including the location. Copies of all correspondence in regard to consultation are provided in **Appendix II**.

Table 2: Notification of project proposal and request for registrations of interest

Action	Who	When
Letter requesting details of interested Aboriginal persons	OEH Griffith	7.1.16
Letter requesting details of interested Aboriginal persons	Aboriginal Land Rights (NSW)	7.1.16
Letter requesting details of interested Aboriginal persons	Local Land Services (Riverina)	7.1.16
Letter requesting details of interested Aboriginal persons	Native Title Tribunal	7.1.16

Action	Who	When
Letter requesting details of interested Aboriginal persons	NTSCORP	7.1.16
Letter requesting details of interested Aboriginal persons	Carrathool Local Council	7.1.16
Letter requesting details of interested Aboriginal persons	Griffith LALC	7.1.16
Letter sent to Griffith LALC returned as 'not at address'	Australia Post	21.01.16
Telephone call to Griffith LALC to ascertain current address and email	Griffith LALC	22.01.16
Griffith LALC sent email with copy of letter returned by mail and original resent to new postal address,	Griffith LALC	22.01.16

Following this, the Archaeologist compiled a list of people/groups to contact. A total of 7 groups were identified and are listed in **Table 4**. As per the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (DECCW 2010A), all of the identified groups were contacted by letter asking if they would like to register their interest in the project. Copies of all correspondence in regard to consultation are provided in **Appendix II**.

Table 4. Identified groups contacted

Sent letter with invitation to register	Murrin Bridge LALC		10.02.16
Sent letter with invitation to register	Dyrri-Bang-Gu		10.02.16
Sent letter with invitation to register	Griffith Aboriginal Medical Centre		10.2.16
Sent letter with invitation to register	Griffith Council - Aboriginal Liaison Officer		10.2.16
Sent letter with invitation to register	OEH - Regional Manager - Steven Meredith		10.02.16
Rang Steven Meredith to enquire as to contact for Native Title Claimants	OEH - Regional Manager - Steven Meredith		10.02.16
Sent letter to Steven Meredith following up phone messages	OEH		10.02.16
Email to Native Title Tribunal requesting contact details for Native Title Claimants	Dianne Drake - Native Title Tribunal		11.02.16
Rang Steven Meredith again to enquire as to contact for Native Title Claimants	OEH - Regional Manager - Steven Meredith		12.02.16
Rang NTSCORP to find contact details for Native Title claimants	No answer on direct line or freecall number		17.02.16
Rang Native Title Tribunal to discuss response and find contact details for Native Title claimants	Dianne Drake		17.02.16

Received email from Native Title Tribunal with further contact details for NTSCORP	Dianne Drake	17.02.16
Sent email to NTSCORP enclosing invitation to Native Title Claimants to register, by way of service.	Hemma Hariharan and Carla di Giusto	17.02.16
Email to OEH requesting confirmation of which OEH officer/region was looking after this property	Peter Ewin	18.02.16
Email from OEH advising that they had talked to Steven Meredith and was hoping he would have made contact with us.	Peter Ewin	18.02.16
Telephone call from NTSCORP	George Tonna	18.02.16
Phone message left by OEH	Steven Meredith	19.02.16
Phone message left by NTSCORP	Hemma Hariharan	19.02.16
Phone call received from NTSCORP	George Tonna	22.02.16
Email from Murrin Bridge requesting further information about location.	Leonie O'Neill	22.02.16
Phone call received from NTSCORP	George Tonna	22.02.16
Email from Murrin Bridge requesting further information about location.	Leonie O'Neill	22.02.16
Rang NTSCORP	George Tonna	24.02.16

Advitech Environmental wrote to all parties identified between 10 February and 24 February, 2016. Some delay was experienced due to the Native Title Tribunal's late response to our original enquiry. NTSCORP had identified an Aboriginal Native Title Claim as being within the Council area; however, no response was received from the Native Title Tribunal in regard to the same claim. In order to serve a letter of invitation on the Native Title Claimants, contact information was requested from both NTSCORP and the Native Title Tribunal. As a result of this correspondence, the Native Title Tribunal agreed that invitations should be sent to the Native Title Claimants, despite the area of their claim being some distance from the property. An extension to register an interest was granted to all Native Title Claimants upon a request from the Native Title Tribunal and as agreed to by the Proponent.

An advertisement was placed in *The Area News* on 5 February, 2016 (see **Figure 9**). The correspondence and advertisement included the following information:

- The name and contact details of the proponent;
- An overview of the proposed project including the location of the proposed project;
- A statement that the purpose of community consultation with Aboriginal people is to assist the proposed applicant in the preparation of an application for an AHIP and to assist the Director General of OEH in his or her consideration and determination of the application should an AHIP be required;
- An invitation for Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge relevant to the proposed project area and who can determine the significance of Aboriginal object(s) and/or place(s) in the area of the proposed project to register an interest in a process of community consultation;

- The closing date for the registration of interests (5 February 2014);
- That unless otherwise specified that those who are registering their interest that their details will be provided to OEH and the LALC;
- That LALCs who hold cultural knowledge relevant to the proposed project area and that is relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and/or places within the proposed project area, and who wish to register must do so as an Aboriginal organisation not an individual; and
- Where an Aboriginal organisation representing Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge relevant to the proposed project area and that is relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and/or places within the proposed project area who wish to register, must nominate a contact person and provide written confirmation and contact details of this person or persons.

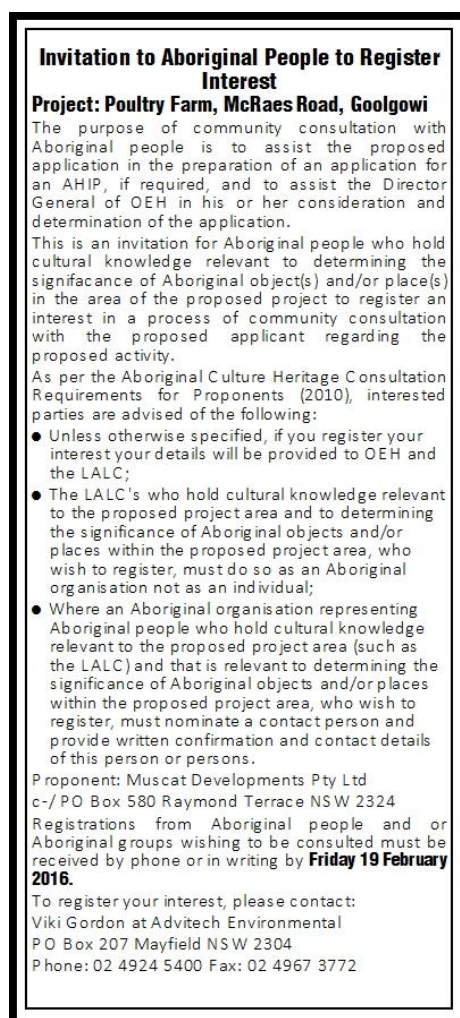


Figure 9: Newspaper advertisement from 'The Area News' on Friday 5 February, 2016

The registered parties are listed in **Table 4**.

Table 4: Registered stakeholder

Who	Contact person
Griffith LALC	Robert Carroll CEO

6.8.2 Stage 2: Presentation of Information about the Proposed Project

The aim of this stage is to provide the registered Aboriginal stakeholders with information regarding the scope of the proposed project and the cultural heritage assessment process. An information pack was forwarded to Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council on 18 February, 2016.

The following information was provided:

- An outline of the project details including the nature, scope and methodology of the field survey, maps and proposed impacts;
- An outline of the impact assessment process;
- An outline of critical timelines and milestones for the completion of the assessment and delivery of reports;
- To clearly define agreed roles, functions and responsibilities of the OEHL, the Proponent, and the LALC,
- To allow for opportunities for the registered Aboriginal parties to identify, raise and discuss their cultural concerns, perspectives and assessment requirements (if any);
- Requested the preferred option for the gathering of information about cultural significance;
- A written response to the methodology and the preferred method of sharing traditional knowledge methods was due no later than 23 March, 2016; and
- This pack also stipulated that consultation was not employment, and requested that in order to assist the proponent in the engagement of field workers, that the groups provide information in relation to two of the criteria as set out in Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents (DECCW 2010A). This included:
 - The ability to assist in communicating the results of the survey back to all registered Aboriginal stakeholders for the assessment of cultural significance;
 - Experience in field work and in providing cultural heritage advice (asked to nominate at least two individuals who will be available and fit for work (physically able to undertake field work) and their relevant experience; and
 - This pack also asked the registered groups to provide a CV and insurance details. Finally, it was also noted that failure to provide the required information by the date provided will result in a missed opportunity for the individuals or knowledge holders to contribute to their cultural heritage and the project will proceed.

6.8.3 Stage 3: Gathering Information about Cultural Significance

The aim of this stage is to facilitate a process whereby the registered Aboriginal stakeholders can contribute to culturally appropriate information gathering and the research methodology, provide information that will enable the cultural significance of any Aboriginal objects and or/places within the proposed project area to be determined and to have input into the development of any cultural heritage management options and mitigation measures. Included in the information pack sent for Stage 2, was information pertaining to the gathering of cultural knowledge as follows:

- Information provided by registered Aboriginal parties may be sensitive and Advitech and the proponent will not share that information with all registered Aboriginal parties or others without the express permission of the individual. Advitech and the proponent extended an invitation to develop and implement appropriate protocols for sourcing and holding cultural

information including any restrictions to place on information, as well as the preferred method of providing information;

- A request for traditional/cultural knowledge or information associated with ceremonial, spiritual, mythological beliefs, traditions and known sites from the pre-contact period;
- A request for traditional/cultural knowledge or information regarding sites or places with historical associations and/or cultural significance which date from the post-contact period and that are remembered by people today (e.g. plant and animal resource use areas, known camp sites); and
- A request for traditional/cultural knowledge or information in relation to any sites or places of contemporary cultural significance (apart from the above) which has acquired significance recently.

The registered Aboriginal stakeholder did not disclose any specific traditional/cultural knowledge or information of sites or places associated with spiritual, mythological, ceremonies or beliefs from the pre contact period within the study area or surrounding area. Mr Max Harris, Sites Officer, Griffith LALC advised that he was aware of artefacts found in the local area. The stakeholders did not disclose any information pertaining to sites or places of cultural significance associated with the historic or contemporary periods within the study area or surrounding area. However, it must be noted that traditional/cultural knowledge and/or information regarding sites and/or places of cultural significance may exist that were not divulged to Advitech by those consulted.

6.8.4 Review of draft Cultural Heritage Assessment Report

The draft Cultural Heritage Assessment Report was sent to the Griffiths Local Aboriginal Land Council on 27 May, 2016. It was requested that submissions, concerns or comments about the report be provided within 28 days.

Griffiths Local Aboriginal Land Council CEO, Mr Robert Carroll responded on 27 May, 2016 as follows:

Could you please advise the Griffith LALC why you did not directly involve any member of this organisation in the Aboriginal cultural investigation that was undertaken at the proposed site of the Poultry farm adjoining McRaes Road at Goolgowi?

The following response to this query was sent from Advitech Environmental to Mr Carroll on 27 May, 2016:

I was surprised to receive your email. There seems to be some confusion? Griffith LALC was invited, booked and was expected to attend the survey. However, no representative attended. I rang both your mobile and Mr Harris' mobile on the morning of the survey asking if there was a problem but neither of you returned my call? However, for the record, I note that I took the following steps in order to secure the Griffith LALC's attendance:

- *Griffith LALC was sent an invitation of employment to conduct the survey;*
- *You responded by email and advised that the terms were unacceptable;*
- *I arranged for the Proponent to agree to the terms requested by you and sent you an email advising of same;*
- *I provided a further offer of employment with the new terms to you by email;*
- *Griffiths LALC did not return the signed offer of employment at any stage;*
- *Despite this, I rang and spoke to you to book the survey in giving the LALC at least two weeks' notice;*

- *You asked me to speak directly to your sites officer, Mr Harris. I rang Mr Harris and booked the survey date in with him;*
- *Closer to the survey date I rang and spoke to you, confirming the survey date, and requesting provision of your insurances, which you provided;*
- *I also rang Mr Harris again and confirmed the survey appointment with him.*
- *The survey, as arranged, took place on Thursday 14 April, 2016 commencing at 8.30am.*
- *At 9.00am I rang your mobile phone and Mr Harris' leaving a message asking if the LALC was attending as booked?*
- *I received no return telephone call from either yourself or Mr Harris.*

If Griffith LALC would like to inspect the property on their own for the purposes of comment on this report, I am only too happy to ask the Proponent whether he would agree to allow same. Advitech will not be attending a further survey as the archaeological component of the assessment is now complete.

A further email was received from Mr Carroll on 30 May, 2016 as follows:

Firstly, I have no record of you ringing me on the morning of the 14th April, 2016, and secondly the advice that I received from Max Harris was that he had arranged to meet with you at an agreed location and you both would then proceed to the site of the Aboriginal survey.

He further advised that he waited for an acceptable period of time and was never contacted by yourself and had no option but to return home, I should add that this is the first time that this has happened to Mr Harris and our LALC since he has been undertaking Aboriginal Cultural site investigations over the past 25 year period.

I would hope that you will not forget to include in the final Archaeological Report that there was no involvement by the Griffith LALC or a designated Aboriginal Cultural Site's Officer in the actual Aboriginal site investigation of the area.

A response to this email was sent on 1 June, 2016 by Advitech as follows:

I am truly sorry that the Griffiths LALC and I were unable to liaise successfully for the site survey. I am definitely confused, given your advice, as to why this was unsuccessful or why Mr Harris did not telephone me? However, both the Proponent and I definitely want, and care, about Griffith LALC's participation in the survey as evidenced by my efforts to arrange same. As previously suggested, I would be happy to arrange for an unaccompanied inspection of the study area by the Griffiths LALC of the property if Griffith LALC would like to and are able to do so? If not, and as requested by you, I will attach the statement regarding no involvement below in the Registered Stakeholder's comments section of the Archaeological Report.

No further correspondence was received. Copies of all correspondence in regard to consultation are provided in **Appendix II**.

7. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The following conclusions and recommendations are made on the basis of:

- the legal requirement under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* which states that it is illegal to knowingly deface, damage or destroy a relic or Aboriginal place in New South Wales without first obtaining the written consent;
- the legal requirement of the *Heritage Act 1977* which states that it is an offence to damage, disturb or despoil any relic, deposit or place listed on the State Heritage Register; and
- research into the archaeological, environmental and historical record of the study area as detailed in this report.

It is concluded that there are no constraints, on Archaeological grounds, to the proposed development and that no further archaeological work or cultural heritage assessment is required.

7.1 Historic or Natural Heritage

The *NSW Heritage Act 1977* defines a relic as being “any deposit, object or material evidence:

- (a) *which relates to the settlement of the area that comprises New South Wales, not being Aboriginal settlement; and*
- (b) *which is 50 or more years old.*

Under Sections 139 and 140 of the *Heritage Act 1977*, a person may not disturb or excavate land to discover, expose or move a relic without first obtaining the permission of the Heritage Council.

No items of historical or natural heritage, as defined by the *Heritage Act 1977*, were found to be located within the study area. Therefore, no approvals or permits are required under the *Heritage Act 1977* to proceed with the development.

It is recommended that, in case of unexpected potential heritage items identified during any excavation works:

- that an ‘Unexpected Heritage Items Procedure’ should be created and provided to all workers, contractors, sub-contractors and employees at the time of their work induction to the site;
- The ‘Unexpected Heritage Items Procedure’ should:
 - define a relic;
 - contain provision that: if a relic is discovered in the course of excavation, that is likely to be disturbed damaged or destroyed by works, then all works must be suspended in that area and an Archaeologist contacted to assess the find; and
 - the Proponent must notify the Heritage Branch, Office of Environment and Heritage, NSW (the Branch) or its delegate and suspend work in the vicinity of the object that might have the effect of disturbing, damaging or destroying such relic until the requirements of the Branch have been satisfied.

7.2 Aboriginal Heritage

Based on this Aboriginal Cultural Heritage assessment and taking into account the regional context, it is possible to identify a number of trends in site location and patterning expected in the study area (see **Section 5.6**). It is concluded that the specific area would have been suitable for opportunistic hunting or gathering of resources whilst perhaps accessing the Wah Wah Creek based on the following:

- the lack of Aboriginal objects found during the survey;
- the lack of Aboriginal sites or places found within the study area or registered within the locality;
- the results of past archaeological studies within the region;
- a lack of freshwater within the study area and the distance from the nearest source;
- the landscape of the study area, a flood plain, which possesses no elevated areas; and
- the highly disturbed nature of the study area due to intensive clearing and agricultural practices.

No Aboriginal objects were noted during the investigation. There is a nil to very low chance that Aboriginal object(s) may be present within the study area. It is considered that the high degree of disturbance to the area would have removed any Aboriginal objects that may have once existed and that no further investigation of the area, in regard to Aboriginal objects, is required under the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (DECCW, 2010).

It is recommended that, in case of any unexpected Aboriginal objects being located during any excavation works:

- Aboriginal objects be added to the 'Unexpected Heritage Items Procedure' recommended in **Section 6.1**;
- The 'Unexpected Heritage Items Procedure' should :
 - define an Aboriginal object in accordance with the *Guide to investigating, assessing and reporting on Aboriginal cultural heritage in NSW*, and under Part 6 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974* (NSW Office of Environment and Heritage, 2011).
 - contain provisions that if an Aboriginal object is incidentally discovered and it is likely to be disturbed damaged or destroyed by excavation, works must be suspended in that area and an Archaeologist contacted to assess and, if necessary, register the find; and
 - should any skeletal remains be found, all works should stop and the NSW Police Service and the Office of Environment and Heritage be immediately contacted.

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Appendix I

AHIMS searches for Lots 1 and 2 in DP 749831 at McRaes Road
Goolgowi

Advitech Pty Limited

Date: 06 May 2016

PO Box 207

Mayfield New South Wales 2304

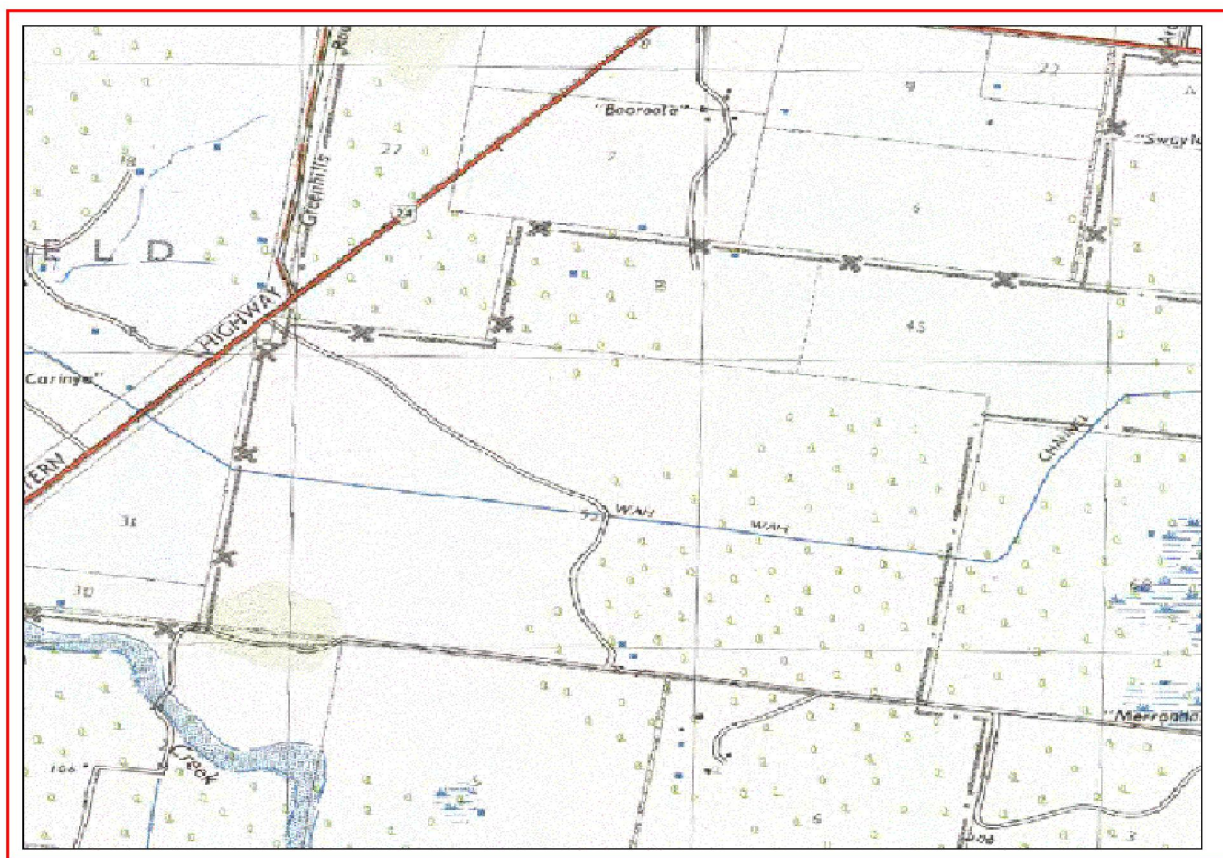
Attention: Viki Gordon

Email: viki.gordon@advitech.com.au

Dear Sir or Madam:

AHIMS Web Service search for the following area at Lot : 1, DP:DP749831 with a Buffer of 1000 meters, conducted by Viki Gordon on 06 May 2016.

The context area of your search is shown in the map below. Please note that the map does not accurately display the exact boundaries of the search as defined in the paragraph above. The map is to be used for general reference purposes only.



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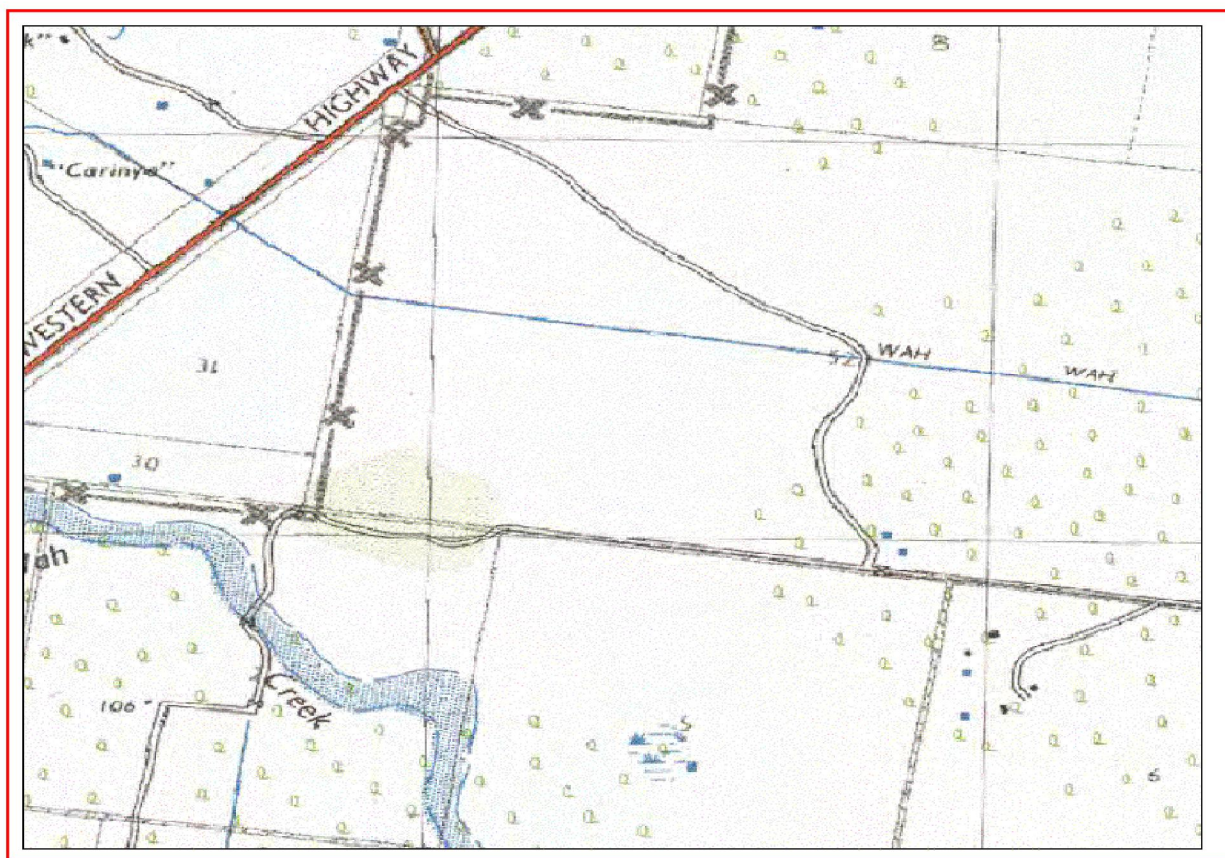
Attention: Viki Gordon

Email: viki.gordon@advitech.com.au

Dear Sir or Madam:

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conducted by Viki Gordon on 06 May 2016.**

The context area of your search is shown in the map below. Please note that the map does not accurately display the exact boundaries of the search as defined in the paragraph above. The map is to be used for general reference purposes only.



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Appendix II

Consultation correspondence

Stakeholder Consultation Record

Client:	Tattersall Lander Poultry Pty Ltd	Date commenced:	7.1.16
Author:	Viki Gordon	Job #:	J0150419
Topic:	Poultry farm at Goolgowi	Folder #:	F14275

Actions	Form	Who	When	Response
Request for details of interested Aboriginal persons	Letter	OEH Griffith	7.1.16	Yes - Murrin Bridge LALC
Request for details of interested Aboriginal persons	Letter	Aboriginal Land Rights (NSW)	7.1.16	Griffith LALC
Request for details of interested Aboriginal persons	Letter	Local Land Services (Riverina)	7.1.16	Yes - - Griffiths Aboriginal Lands Council - Griffith City Council - Dyrri-Bang-Gu - Griffith Aboriginal Medical Centre - OEH - Steve Meredith
Request for details of interested Aboriginal persons	Letter	Native Title Tribunal	7.1.16	Yes - NC2012/002 Ngemba/Ngiyampaa People
Request for details of interested Aboriginal persons	Letter	NTSCORP	7.1.16	Does not provide list and does not respond unless Native Title Claimants affected
Request for details of interested Aboriginal persons	Letter	Carrathool Local Council	7.1.16	Nil
Request for details of interested Aboriginal persons	Letter	Griffith LALC	7.1.16	Yes - themselves
Response from Office of Registrar	Letter	Registrar Aboriginal Land Rigts	11.1.16	Yes - Griffith LALC
Response from OEH regarding interested parties	Email	OEH	15.1.16	Yes Murrin Bridge LALC
Telephone message from Robert Carroll Griffith LALC (0407 965 009) registered interesting of LALC	Phone	Griffith LALC	20.1.16	NA
Email from Native Title Tribunal	Email	Dianne Drake	21.01.16	Formal response to letter of enquiry - NC2012/002 Ngemba/Ngiyampaa People

Letter returned from Griffith LALC - no longer at PO Box	Letter	Australia Post	21.01.16	NA
Received letter advising of parties to contact regarding assessment	Letter	Local Land Services Riverina	21.01.16	NA
Email sent to Griffith LALC enclosing previously returned letter	Email	Griffith LALC	22.01.16	
Advertisement placed in 'The Area News' newspaper	Add	Local newspaper	05.02.16	Nil
Sent letter advising of confirmation of registration and related details	Letter and email	Griffith LALC	10.02.16	NA
Sent letter with invitation to register	Letter and email	Murrin Bridge LALC	10.02.16	NA
Sent letter with invitation to register	Letter and email	Dyrri-Bang-Gu	10.02.16	NA
Sent letter with invitation to register	Letter and email	Griffith Aboriginal Medical Centre	10.2.16	NA
Sent letter with invitation to register	Letter and email	Griffith Council - Aboriginal Liaison Officer	10.2.16	NA
Sent letter with invitation to register	Letter and email	OEH - Regional Manager - Steven Meredith	10.02.16	NA
Rang Steven Meredith to enquire as to contact for Native Title Claimants	Phone	OEH - Regional Manager - Steven Meredith	10.02.16	Left message
Rang Steven Meredith to enquire as to contact for Native Title Claimants	Phone	OEH - Regional Manager - Steven Meredith	12.02.16	Left message
Email to Native Title Tribunal requesting contact details for Native Title Claimants	Email	Dianne Drake - Native Title Tribunal	11.02.16	No response
Rang NTSCORP to find contact details for Native Title claimants	Phone	9310 3188 and 1800 111844	17.02.16	Phones not working?/no answer
Rang Native Title Tribunal to chase response and find contact details for Native Title claimants	Phone	Dianne Drake 9227 4007	17.02.16	Will send email with contact details
Received email from Native Title Tribunal with further contact details for NTSCORP	Email	Dianne Drake	17.02.16	NA

Invitation to register served on Native Title Claimants C/- NTSCORP	Letter and email	Native Title Claimants C/- NTSCORP	17.02.16	NA
Information package sent to Griffith LALC	Email	Griffith LALC	18.02.16	NA
Email to OEH requesting confirmation of which OEH officer/region was looking after this property	Email	Peter Ewin	18.02.16	See email below
Call from OEH advising that they had talked to Steven Meredith and was hoping he would have made contact with us.	Phone	Peter Ewin	18.02.16	OEH had spoken to Steven Meredith and he had no intent to register interest
Telephone call from George Tonna NTSCORP	Phone	NTSCORP	18.02.16	Querying why further letters sent to NTSCORP about project. He advised he had reviewed first letter but due to distance of Native Title Claimants from site he had not responded. I advised that the Native Title Tribunal had responded and therefore we were obliged to now invite the Native Title Claimants. He to speak to his Supervisor.
Phone message left by Steven Meredith	Phone	OEH	19.02.16	Returned call on 24.2.16
Phone message left by NTSCORP	Phone	Hemma Hariharan	19.02.16	Requesting weeks extension for registration of interest by Native Title claimants
Registration of interest period closed (with exception of Native Title Claimants)	Newspaper	The Area News	19.02.16	Nil
Phone call received from NTSCORP	Phone	George Tonna	22.02.16	Returned call on 24.02.16
Phone call from Murrin Bridge requesting further information about location (but not registering an interest at this stage).	Phone	Leonie O'Neill	22.02.16	Sent information package 24.02.16
Rang George Tonna of NTSCORP	Phone	Viki Gordon	24.02.16	He advised they would send letters of invitation to Native Title Claimants. Could they please have extension on closure of interest registration period?

				Advised I would speak to Proponent and obtain instructions
Phone call to Tattersall Lander	Phone	Bob Lander	24.02.16	Client agreed to extension of one further week for Native Title Claimants
Sent further email to NTSCORP and Native Title Claimants	Email and letter	George Tonna and Hemma Hariharan	24.02.16	Agreed to extension of registration period until 9.3.16
Information package sent to Murrin Bridge as per request for further info	Letter and email	Leonie O'Neil	24.02.16	
Rang Griffith LALC	Phone	Robert Carroll 0407 965 009	17.03.16	Advised they were the only registered interest and I was hopeful that they were intending to apply for employment before the expiry date i.e. 23 March. Mr Carroll confirmed that they would come and that I should contact Max Harris their sites officer 0448 441970
Rang Max Harris Sites Officer Griffith LALC	Phone	Max Harris 0448 441970	17.03.16	Discussed the site with Mr Harris. He advised he grew up on farm next to proposed site and would be coming on survey. Requested that he provide insurance details and any other relevant particulars. Advised him of proposed survey date 13 March.
Rang Robert Carroll	Phone	Robert Carroll 0407 965 009	24.03.16	Rang chasing insurances. Mr Carroll confirmed that they had them but no-one had ever asked for them before. I advised that it was a condition of employment by the Proponent for full insurances to be held. He confirmed he would find them and send them on to me.
Email and letter to Griffith LALC	Email and letter		24.03.16	Sent offer of employment, advised

				date of survey and provided copy of previous information package requesting insurances.
Email from Griffith LALC	Email	Robert Carroll CEO	24.3.16	Received email setting out LALC's terms of engagement and advice that they will not proceed without payment on these terms.
Email to Griffith LALC	Email	Robert Carroll CEO	24.3.16	Sent email thanking Mr Carroll for his response and advising that I would forward same to the Proponent for instructions
Email from Tattersall Lander Pty Ltd	Email	Bob Lander	24.3.16	Agreeing to Griffith LALC terms
Email to Griffith LALC	Email	Robert Carroll CEO	24.3.16	Advising Griffith LALC of response and providing new terms of employment accordingly
Email from Griffith LALC	Email	Robert Carroll CEO	24.3.16	Providing requested insurances
Rang AIB Insurance Brokers	Phone	Mariata	07.04.16	Will provide certificate of currency if Griffith LALC agrees. She will contact them and email me back.
Draft report sent to Griffith LALC for review and comment	Email and letter	Robert Carroll CEO	27.05.16	
Email from Griffith LALC	Email	Robert Carroll CEO	27.05.16	Comment on report and LALC involvement
Email to Griffith LALC	Email	Robert Carroll CEO	27,05,16	Response to email from Griffith LALC
Email from Griffith LALC	Email	Robert Carroll CEO	30.05.16	Further comment on LALC involvement
Email to Griffith LALC	Email	Robert Carroll CEO	01.06.16	Response to above email from Griffith LALC

7th January, 2016

Heritage Officer
OEH EPRG Regional Office
P O Box 1049
GRIFFITH NSW 2680

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Subject: Invitation to Aboriginal people to Register Interest
Cultural Heritage Assessment at Goolgowi**

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Advitech Environmental (Advitech Pty Limited) has been contracted to conduct an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Further, the assessment may result in an application for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) under Part 6 of the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 should any Aboriginal Objects or Places be located within a possible impact area.

In accordance with NSW Government guidelines, Aboriginal people and or Aboriginal groups who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects(s) and or place(s) relating to the proposed project area are invited to register an interest in a process of consultation as outlined in the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents (DECCW, 2010). We would like to request that you contact us in writing within 14 days of the date of this letter to indicate the names of Aboriginal people that you believe hold cultural knowledge and or who may be interested in being involved in the cultural heritage assessment.

Kind regards,

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Senior Archaeologist
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Job No.: J150419
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7th January, 2016

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Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 (NSW)
P O Box 112
GLEBE NSW 2037

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Lower Murray-Darling Catchment Authority
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7th January, 2016

The Registrar
National Native Title Tribunal
GPO Box 9973
SYDNEY NSW 2001

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7th January, 2016

The Registrar
National Title Services Corporation Limited
(NTSCORP Limited)
P O Box 2105
STRAWBERRY HILLS NSW 2012

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Viki Gordon
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Job No.: J150419
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7th January, 2016

The Heritage Officer
Carrathool Shire Council
P O Box 12
GOOLGOWI NSW 2652

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Heritage Officer
Griffiths Local Aboriginal Land Council
P O Box 1424
GRIFFITH NSW 2680

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11 January 2016

Viki Gordon
Senior Archaeologist
Advitech Pty Ltd
PO Box 207
Mayfield NSW 2304

Dear Viki

Re: Request - Search for Registered Aboriginal Owners

I refer to your letter dated 7th January 2016 regarding Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment within Goolgowi in NSW.

I have searched the Register of Aboriginal Owners and the project area described *does not appear* to have Registered Aboriginal Owners pursuant to Division 3 of the *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983* (NSW).

I suggest that you contact the Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council on 02 6962 6711. They will be able to assist you in identifying other Aboriginal stakeholders for this project.

Yours sincerely



Kelly Bashford

Directorate Support Officer

Office of the Registrar, *Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983*



**Office of
Environment
& Heritage**

BY: VC

Your reference:
Our reference:
Contact:

J150419
DOC16/14047
Andrew Fisher
(02) 6022 0623

Vicki Gordon
Senior Archaeologist
Advitech Pty Ltd
PO Box 207
MAYFIELD NSW 2304

Dear Ms Gordon,

WRITTEN NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSAL AS REQUIRED UNDER OEH ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS FOR PROPONENTS 2010

Re: Registration of Aboriginal Interests - Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment of a Poultry Farm at Goolgowi NSW, Carrathool Local Government Area

I refer to your letter dated 7 January 2016 to the Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) regarding the above matter.

Attached is a list of known Aboriginal parties for the Carrathool Local Government Area that OEH considers likely to have an interest in the proposed development. Please note this is not necessarily an exhaustive list of all interested Aboriginal parties and receipt of this list does not remove the requirement for a proponent/ consultant to advertise in local print media and contact other bodies seeking interested Aboriginal parties, in accordance with the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents 2010* (April 2010).

Please note: the contact details in the list provided by OEH may be out of date as it relies on Aboriginal parties advising OEH when their details require changing. If individuals/companies undertaking consultation are aware that any groups contact details are out of date, or letters are returned unopened, please contact either the relevant stakeholder group (if you know their more current details) and/or OEH.

Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit applicants should make a note of any group they are unable to contact as part of their consultation record.

Should you require any further information or advice please contact me on (02) 6022 0623 or via email: andrew.fisher@environment.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely,

 14/1/16

ANDREW FISHER
A/Senior Team Leader Planning
South West Region
Regional Operations
Office of Environment and Heritage

Enclosure: Attachment 1 – Registered Interest Carrathool Local Government Area

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ATTACHMENT 1 – Registered Interest Carrathool Local Government Area

Organisation/Individual Name	Address	Contact Details
Murrin Bridge Local Aboriginal Land Council Contact: Annette Ohlsen	39 Foster St LAKE CARGELLIGO NSW 2672	Phone: 6898 1119 Email: murrinb@bigpond.net.au

murrinbridgelalc@gmail.com



National
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21 January 2016

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MAYFIELD NSW 2304

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Level 16, Law Courts Building,
Queens Square
Sydney NSW 2000
GPO Box 9973
Sydney NSW 2000
Telephone (02) 9227 4000
Facsimile (02) 9227 4030

Our Reference: 0757

Dear Viki

Native Title Search Results Goolgowi

Thank you for your search request in relation to the above area.

Search Results

The results provided are based on the information you supplied and are derived from a search of the following Tribunal databases:

Register Type	NNTT Reference Numbers
Schedule of Applications (unregistered claimant applications)	Nil
Register of Native Title Claims	NC2012/001Ngemba/Ngiyampaa People
National Native Title Register	Nil
Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements	Nil
Notified Indigenous Land Use Agreements	Nil

I have included a register extract and attachments and a NNTT Registers fact sheet to help guide your understanding of the search result.

Search results and the existence of native title

Please note that the enclosed information from the Register of Native Title Claims and/or the Schedule of Applications is **not** confirmation of the existence of native title in this area. This cannot be confirmed until the Federal Court makes a determination that native title does or does

not exist in relation to the area. Such determinations are registered on the National Native Title Register.

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If you have any further queries, please contact me on directly or on freecall 1800 640 501.

Yours sincerely



Dianne Drake | CASE MANAGER

National Native Title Tribunal | Sydney Office, Operations East

Telephone (02) 9227 4007 | Facsimile (02) 9227 4030 | Email dianne.drake@nntt.gov.au

Freecall 1800 640 501 | www.nntt.gov.au

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Encl: Register extract and attachments

NATIVE TITLE DETERMINATION APPLICATION

Ngemba, Ngiyampaa,
Wangaaypuwan and
Wayilwan
Native Title Claim Group

Application Area

NOTE: To determine areas subject to claim within the external boundary, reference to the application description is necessary. Map created by: Geospatial Services,
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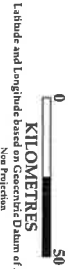
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State Forests data sourced from NSW Dept of Primary Industries (March 2004).

LAND TENURE

- State Forest
- National Park
- Native Reserve/Conservation Area

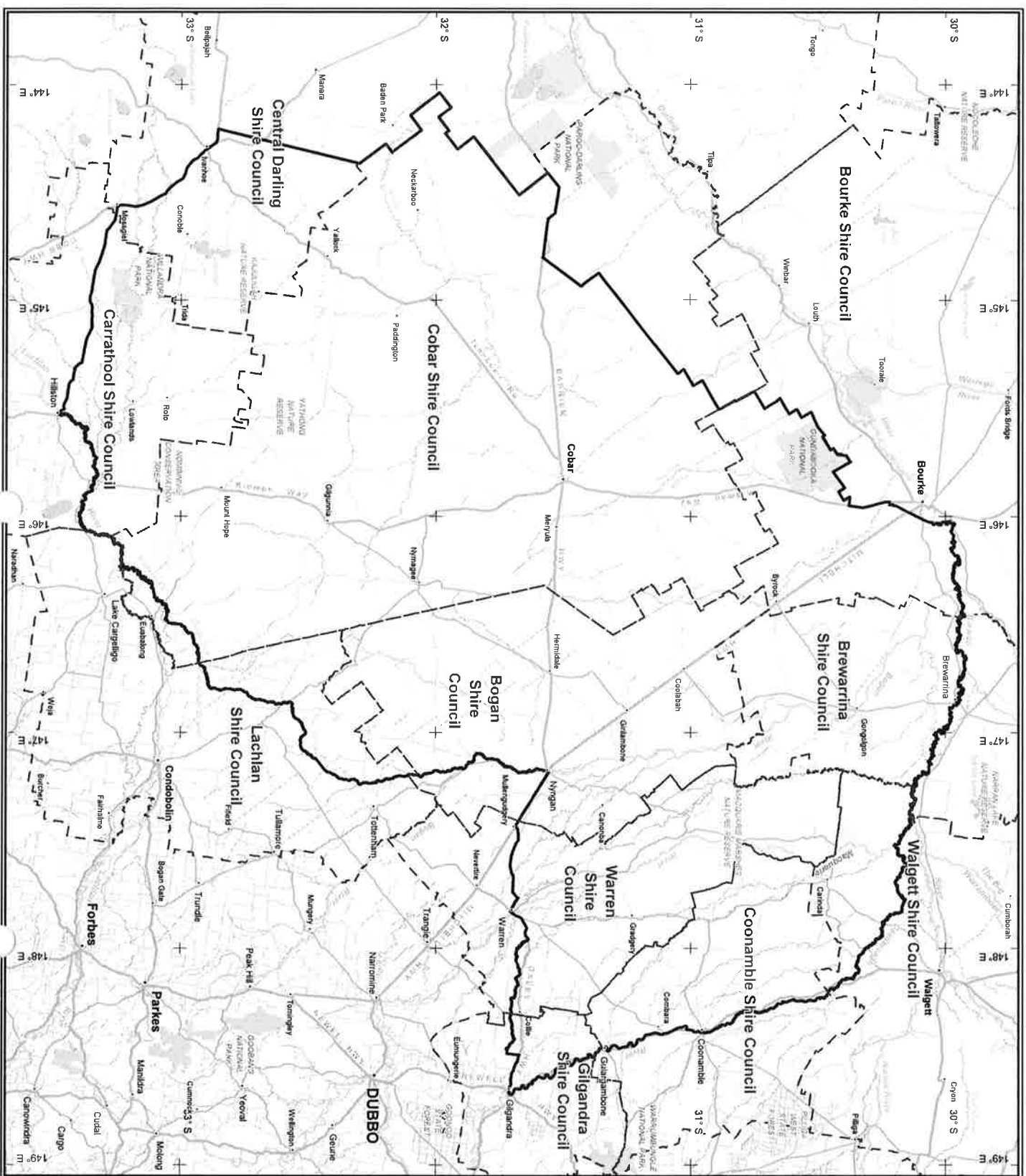
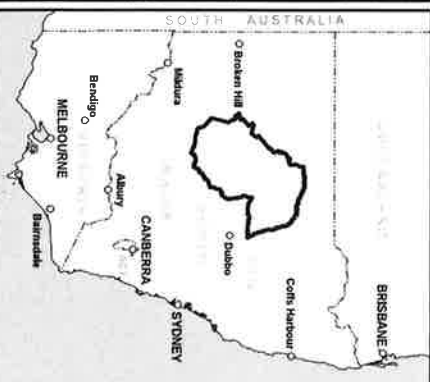
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Latitude and Longitude based on Geocentric Datum of Australia, 1994
New Proposals

Location Diagram





Searching the NNTT Registers in New South Wales

Search service

On request the National Native Title Tribunal will search its public registers for you. A search may assist you in finding out whether any native title applications (claims), determinations or agreements exist over a particular area of land or water.

In New South Wales native title cannot exist on privately owned land including family homes or farms.

What information can a search provide?

A search can confirm whether any applications, agreements or determinations are registered in a local government area. Relevant information, including register extracts and application summaries, will be provided.

In NSW because we cannot search the registers in relation to individual parcels of land we search by local government area.

Most native title applications do not identify each parcel of land claimed. They have an external boundary and then identify the areas not claimed within the boundary by reference to types of land tenure e.g., freehold, agricultural leasehold, public works.

What if the search shows no current applications?

If there is no application covering the local government area this only indicates that at the time of the search either the Federal Court had not received any claims in relation to the local government area or the Tribunal had not yet been notified of any new native title claims.

It does not mean that native title does not exist in the area.

Native title may exist over an area of land or waters whether or not a claim for native title has been made.

Where the information is found

The information you are seeking is held in three registers and on an applications database.

National Native Title Register

The National Native Title Register contains determinations of native title by the High Court, Federal Court and other courts.

Register of Native Title Claims

The Register of Native Title Claims contains applications for native title that have passed a registration test.

Registered claims attract rights, including the right to negotiate about some types of proposed developments.

Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements

The Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements contains agreements made with people who hold or assert native title in an area.

The register identifies development activities that have been agreed by the parties.

Schedule of Native Title Applications

The Schedule of Native Title Applications contains the description of the location, content and status of a native title claim.

This information may be different to the information on the Register of Native Title Claims, e.g., because an amendment has not yet been tested.

How do I request a native title search?

Download the Search Request Form from the Tribunal's website at -
<http://www.nntt.gov.au/assistance/Pages/Searches-and-providing-Register-information.aspx>

Email to: NSWEnquiries@nntt.gov.au

Post to: GPO Box 9973 Sydney NSW 2001

For additional enquiries: 02 9227 4000

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~~PO BOX 1424~~
CRIFFITH NSW 2680

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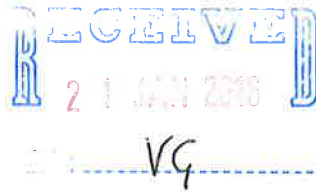




13 January 2016

Ref: VF16/170 : 16/3304

Viki Gordon
Snr Archaeologist
Advitech Pty Limited
7 Riverside Drive
MAYFIELD WEST NSW 2304



Dear Viki

Thank you for your letter of 7 January 2016 regarding an invitation to Aboriginal people to register interest re Cultural Heritage Assessment at Goolgowi (your ref: J150419 F14275).

I have provided a list of Aboriginal organisations and service providers you can contact in Griffith, to help you proceed with your Cultural Heritage assessment for proposed Solar Farm at Griffith NSW

- 1) Griffith Aboriginal Lands Council, CEO Robert Carol, E-mail - griffiac@bigpond.com or phone 0269626711 Mob 0407965009
- 2) Griffith City Council, Roger Penrith Indigenous Community Liaison Officer, E-mail – Roger.Penrith@griffith.nsw.gov.au or phone 0269694855 or 026962627161
- 3) Dyrri-Bang-Gu, Coordinator Bev Johnson, E-mail dyrri@bigpond.com phone 0269640518 or 0429640518
dyrri.1@bigpond.com
- 4) Griffith Aboriginal Medical Centre, CEO Stacey Meredith, E-mail help@griffithams.org.au or phone 0269620000
- 5) Office of Environment & Heritage, Regional Manager, E-mail Steve.Meredith@environment.nsw.gov.au or phone 0269690715 or 0455079190

Yours sincerely

Ray Willis
Acting General Manager



RE: Cultural heritage assessment at Goolgow
Robert Carroll
to:
viki.gordon
22/01/2016 10:00 AM
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To: <viki.gordon@advitech.com.au>,
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2 Attachments



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Vicki

The new PO Box for the Griffith LALC is 8043 East Griffith NSW 2680.

Regards

Robert Carroll

From: viki.gordon@advitech.com.au [<mailto:viki.gordon@advitech.com.au>]
Sent: Friday, 22 January 2016 7:56 AM
To: grifflalc@bigpond.com
Subject: Cultural heritage assessment at Goolgow

ATT: Robert Carroll

Dear Sir,

Please find attached a copy of a letter sent to Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council dated 7 January 2016. Unfortunately the letter was returned. It was sent to P O Box 1424 Griffith (as per a previous LALC contact list which has since been updated) and returned to us by the post office.

We note that Mr Carroll has contacted this office and registered the Griffith LALC's interest despite not having received the letter and we thank you for same. We did attempt to return Mr Carroll's call yesterday however the mobile number was out of service. In any event, please do not hesitate to contact this office if you have any questions.

An information pack for all registered stakeholders will be sent in the mail shortly. Please advise if the new contact address for Griffith LALC of P O Box 8043 East Griffith 2680 is not correct.?

Kind regards

Viki Gordon

Senior Archaeologist

viki.gordon@advitech.com.au

Invitation to Aboriginal People to Register Interest

Project: Poultry Farm, McRaes Road, Goolgowi

The purpose of community consultation with Aboriginal people is to assist the proposed application in the preparation of an application for an AHIP, if required, and to assist the Director General of OEH in his or her consideration and determination of the application.

This is an invitation for Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal object(s) and/or place(s) in the area of the proposed project to register an interest in a process of community consultation with the proposed applicant regarding the proposed activity.

As per the Aboriginal Culture Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents (2010), interested parties are advised of the following:

- Unless otherwise specified, if you register your interest your details will be provided to OEH and the LALC;
- The LALC's who hold cultural knowledge relevant to the proposed project area and to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and/or places within the proposed project area, who wish to register, must do so as an Aboriginal organisation not as an individual;
- Where an Aboriginal organisation representing Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge relevant to the proposed project area (such as the LALC) and that is relevant to determining the significance of Aboriginal objects and/or places within the proposed project area, who wish to register, must nominate a contact person and provide written confirmation and contact details of this person or persons.

Proponent: Muscat Developments Pty Ltd
c-/ PO Box 580 Raymond Terrace NSW 2324

Registrations from Aboriginal people and or Aboriginal groups wishing to be consulted must be received by phone or in writing by **Friday 19 February 2016**.

To register your interest, please contact:
Viki Gordon at Advitech Environmental
PO Box 207 Mayfield NSW 2304
Phone: 02 4924 5400 Fax: 02 4967 3772

Dianne Hoskins Executive Assistant
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10th February, 2016

Mr Robert Carroll
CEO
Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council
P O Box 8043
East Griffith NSW 2680

Dear Mr Carroll,

**Subject: Invitation to Aboriginal people to Register Interest
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We act on behalf of Tattersall Lander Pty. Ltd. who are investigating the proposed development of a poultry farm adjoining Mcraes Road, Goolgowi. We refer to our previous correspondence and note that we have already received your registration of interest for this proposal. **Please note that you do not need to reply to this letter.** It is merely sent in order to comply with the requirements of the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (DECCW, 2010). We will forward you an information pack about the proposal shortly.

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Job No.: J150411
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10th February, 2016

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39 Foster Street
LAKE CARGELLIGO NSW 2672

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Should you wish to register your interest in this project, please register in writing no later than 22 February, 2016 to:

Viki Gordon
Advitech Environmental Pty. Ltd,
P O Box 207
MAYFIELD NSW 2304

If you register your interest in this project, please also nominate your preferred option to receive the initial information. You may wish to have an unpaid meeting and receive an information pack. Or receive an information packet through the mail, fax or email.

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Ms Bev Johnson
Dyrri-Bang-Gu
BY EMAIL: dyrri@bigpond.com

Dear Ms Johnson,

**Subject: Invitation to Aboriginal people to Register Interest
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Should you wish or the Council wish to register your interest in this project, or notify us of other persons who may be interested, please register in writing no later than 25 February, 2016 to:

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10th February, 2016

Stacey Meredith
CEO
Griffith Aboriginal Medical Centre
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GRIFFITH NSW 2680

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10th February, 2016

Mr Robert Penrith
Indigenous Community Liaison Officer
Griffith City Council
BY EMAIL: Roger.Penrith@griffith.nsw.gov.au

Dear Mr Penrith,

**Subject: Invitation to Aboriginal people to Register Interest
Cultural Heritage Assessment at Goolgowi**

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Aboriginal objects and/or places within the proposed project area who wish to register, must nominate a contact person and provide written confirmation and contact details of this person or persons.

Should you wish or the Council wish to register your interest in this project, or notify us of other persons who may be interested, please register in writing no later than 25 February, 2016 to:

Viki Gordon
Advitech Environmental Pty. Ltd,
P O Box 207
MAYFIELD NSW 2304

If you register your interest in this project, please also nominate your preferred option to receive the initial information. You may wish to have an unpaid meeting and receive an information pack. Or receive an information packet through the mail, fax or email.

We would like to request that you contact us in writing within 14 days of the date of this letter to indicate the names of Aboriginal people that you believe hold cultural knowledge and or who may be interested in being involved in the cultural heritage assessment.

Kind regards,

Viki Gordon
Senior Archaeologist
Advitech Pty Limited

Job No.: J150411
Folder No.: F14198

10th February, 2016

Steve Meredith
Regional Manager
Office of Environment and Heritage
BY EMAIL: Steve.Meredith@environment.nsw.gov.au

Dear Sir,

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Native title search results Goolgowi [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Viki Gordon

to:

Dianne.Drake

11/02/2016 08:52 AM

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From: Viki Gordon/Advitech

To: Dianne.Drake@nntt.gov.au,

3 Attachments



NC2012_001 2. External boundary description.pdf Topo map Ngemba.pdf 0757 Search results.pdf

Good morning Dianne.

Thank you so much for your response below.

The Native Title Claim does not cover the area we are conducting the Cultural Heritage Assessment over however given its nearness I would like to contact the Native Title Claimants to invite them to register for this Cultural Heritage assessment. Would you have any general representative contact details for the Claimants?

A check of the Supreme Court file reveals there are many different Applicants with many different legal representatives and I would prefer not to write to the Solicitors and have them add the charge of opening my letter and forwarding it to the client to their legal bills.

Kind regards

Viki Gordon

Senior Archaeologist

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Subject: Native title search results Goolgowi [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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Good Morning

I have attached your native title search results for Goolgowi. If you have any questions please contact me directly.

Regards

Dianne

Dianne Drake

Practice Leader

Sydney Office

Telephone: (02) 9227 4007



Re: Fw: Contact for Ngemba [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED] 

Viki Gordon to: Janice Fromson

17/02/2016 11:14 AM

From: Viki Gordon/Advitech
To: Janice Fromson/Advitech@Advitech,

Yes thanks :-)

Viki Gordon

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Hi Viki

Is this for you?

Thanks

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Vicky
NTSCORP reception number is 02 9310 3188 or freecall 1800 111 844.

Carla di Giusto is the lawyer at NTSCORP working on the Ngemba claim. Carla's email is cdigiusto@ntscorp.com.au

You could also try Hemma Hariharan who is the Strategic Development Manager if you cannot get hold of Carla (given that Carla is travelling on-Country quite a lot). Hemma's email is hhariharan@ntscorp.com.au

If you have no joy, please contact me again and I will see if I can come up with an alternative.

Regards

Dianne

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Practice Leader
PH: 02 9227 4007

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17th February, 2016

The Ngemba/Ngiyampaa People

C/- NTSCORP

By email: cdigiusto@ntscorp.com.au and hhariharan@ntscorp.com.au

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Subject: Invitation to Aboriginal people to Register Interest
Cultural Heritage Assessment at Mcraes Road, Goolgowi**

We act on behalf of Tattersall Lander Pty. Ltd. who are investigating the proposed development of a poultry farm adjoining Mcraes Road at Goolgowi. The Native Title Tribunal has nominated the Ngemba/Ngiyampaa People as being Native Title Claimants who have an interest in the above area.

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MAYFIELD NSW 2304

or return to this email.

Kind regards,

Viki Gordon
Senior Archaeologist
Advitech Pty Limited

Job No.: J150419
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18 February 2016

Mr Robert Carroll
CEO
Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council
P O Box 8043
East Griffith NSW 2680

Dear Mr Carroll,

Subject: PROPOSED POULTRY FARM AT LOTS 1 & 2 IN DP749831 AT MCRAES ROAD, GOOLGOWI

Advitech Environmental would like to thank you for registering your interest in this project. In order for the proponent to fulfil its cultural heritage consultation requirements under the Office of Environment and Heritage's *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (2010) (ACHCRP), we would like to provide you with the following information about the proposed development including the following:

- The project
 - Location of study area;
 - Project outline and impacts; and
 - Critical archaeological timeline
- Methods of investigation
 - Gathering of information of cultural significance;
 - Archaeological assessment; and
 - Survey methods
- The roles and responsibilities of all parties
 - Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH)
 - The proponent
 - Registered Aboriginal Stakeholders
 - Local Aboriginal Land Councils; and
- Consultation
- Employment

The purpose of this information is to make sure:

- That everybody involved has an understanding of the project;
- The critical time line that must be followed;
- That cultural knowledge, where possible, is received from the appropriate individuals with knowledge of the study area;
- To ensure that Aboriginal cultural heritage is taken into account in the planning of the proposed development;
- If you have any issues or concerns that need to be addressed;
- The methods of survey are agreed upon; and
- The *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (2010), are met.

Additionally, in order for the proponent to further fulfil its cultural heritage consultation requirements (as required by the ACHCRP), it would be appreciated if you could provide the required information no later than 23 March, 2016.

We have also taken the opportunity to include a selection of templates to ensure all the required information is obtained to meet the OEH requirements. You may wish to use the forms attached for your convenience or the use of your own forms is also encouraged.

The advertisement of this project, and the letter of invitation to register for the project, is for Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge (passed down in the traditional manner) that is relevant to the proposed project area and who can determine the significance of Aboriginal object(s) and/or place(s) in the area of the proposed project.

As required by the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (2010), you must nominate the contact person(s) who holds the cultural knowledge and provide written confirmation and contact details of this person or persons whom you represent. If it is you that holds traditional knowledge, please provide the same details.

As all communications, including phone calls, faxes, letters, and e-mails must be included in the consultation component of the report (and once again as required by the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (2010), please make certain that any items that you or your group deem confidential are either stated at the beginning of a conversation or stamped/written on any emails, faxes or letters.

Please note that in order to adhere to time constraints, the lack of a response by 23 March, 2016 will be taken by the Proponent to mean that you or your organisation has no comments to make regarding the proposed methodology. Failure to provide the required information by the prescribed timeline will also result in a missed opportunity for you or knowledge holders to contribute to the cultural heritage considerations. It will mean that you will not be considered for engagement to undertake the survey as the Proponent needs the required information to make informed decisions about who to engage.

1. THE PROJECT

Advitech Environmental Pty. Ltd. has been commissioned by Tattersall Lander Pty. Ltd. to undertake an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Assessment (AHIA) for a poultry farm in lots 1 & 2 in DP749831 at Mcraes Road, Goolgowi which is in the Carrathool Local Government Area (LGA). The AHIA will determine the potential impacts upon the Aboriginal cultural heritage within the development area. It is intended that any areas containing Aboriginal cultural heritage values will be identified and the appropriate management recommendations will be established through consultation with the registered Aboriginal parties.

1.1 Study area

The proposed poultry farm will be situated over lots 1 & 2 in DP749831 at Mcraes Road, Goolgowi. The project area comprises approximately 618 hectares, of which approximately 172 hectares will be utilised for the poultry farm operation.

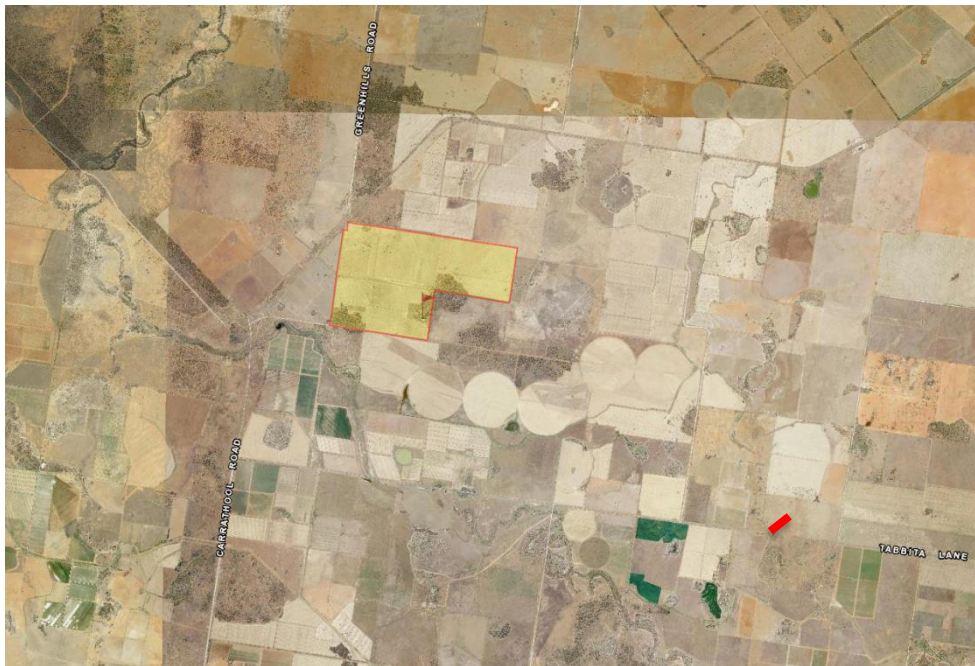


Figure 1 Study area (Source: sixmaps.nsw.gov.au)

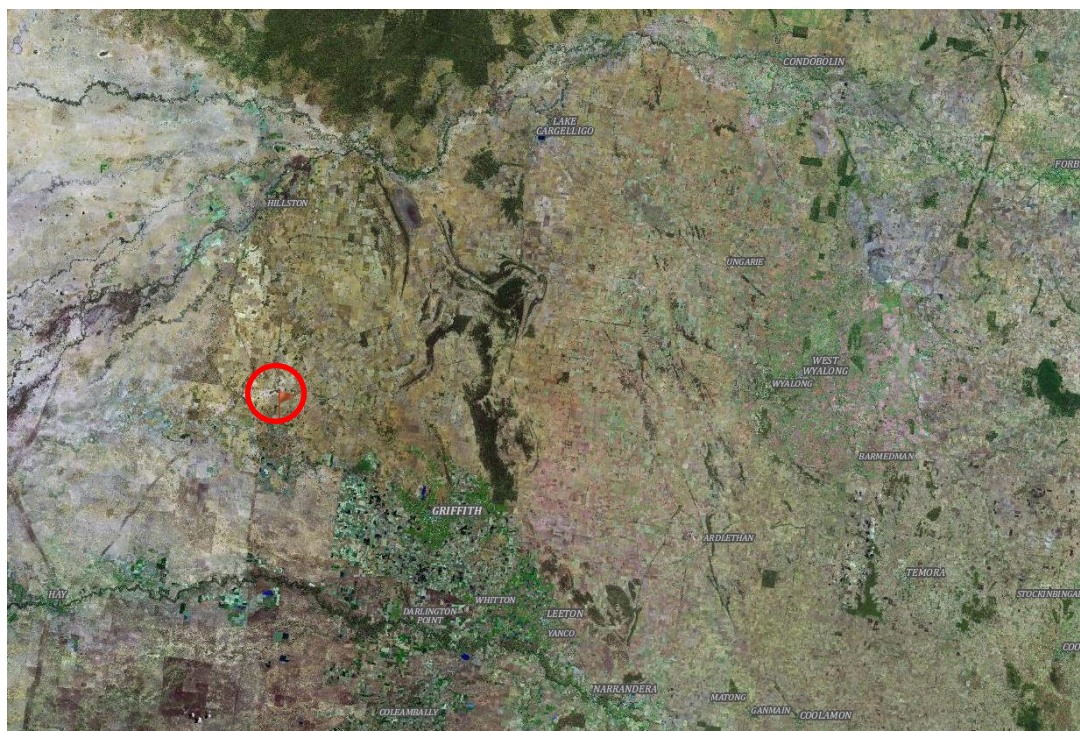


Figure 2 Locality of study area (Source: sixmaps.nsw.gov.au)

1.2 Project Outline and Impacts

It is anticipated by the Proponent that the proposed impacts of the development will include:

- The development of 6 x 20 poultry sheds and associated machinery, sheds, office and supplementary facilities;
- Minimal clearance of vegetation (maybe a few trees will be required for the road access);

- Excavation of storage dams of around 300ML each, shed, reservoir, dwellings (2), noise and odour mounds;
- Extensive vegetation rehabilitation;
- Earthworks to reconfigure site for construction of sheds; and
- Haulage to (new chicks, feed deliveries etc.) and from (grown birds) site.

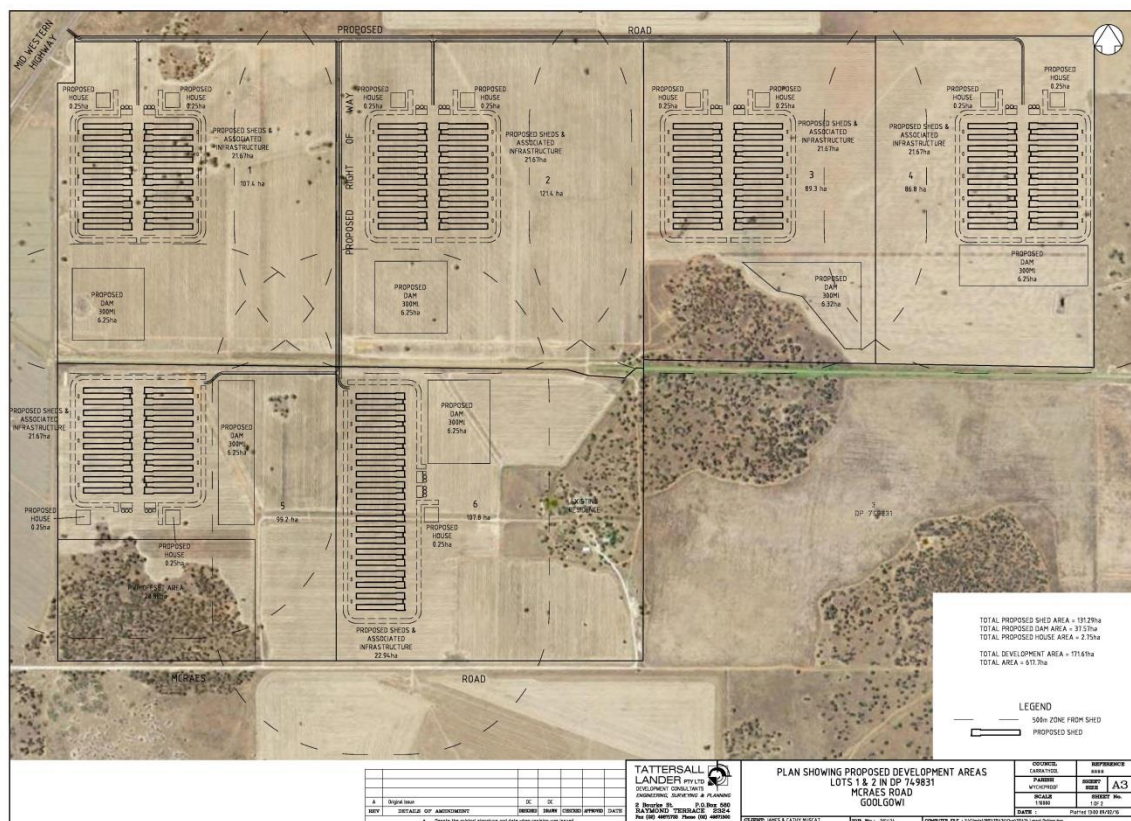


Figure 3 Draft plan of areas to be impacted (Source: Proponent)

Both this proposal and any prospective disturbance of sites or PADs, that are unavoidable, will be managed in accordance with the requirements and provisions of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act, 1974*.

1.3 Critical Archaeological Timeline

The following Table indicates the timelines critical for the archaeological assessment. However, please note that consultation may be increased or decreased depending on response times and knowledge sharing.

Stages	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Stage 1: consultation										
Stage 2: survey										
Stage 3: reporting										
Stage 4: finalisation										

2. METHODS OF INVESTIGATION

There are two methods of investigation including the gathering of cultural significance knowledge and archaeological assessment. These are briefly outlined below.

2.1 Gathering of information of cultural significance

Advitech and the Proponent understand that unlike the written word, Aboriginal cultural knowledge is not static, but responds to change through absorbing new information and adapting to the implications. Aboriginal cultural knowledge is handed down through oral tradition (song, story, art, language and dance) from generation to generation, and preserves the relationship to the land (DECCW 2010).

Specific details and parts of cultural knowledge are usually held and maintained by individuals or within particular family groups. Although the broader community may be aware of the general features of that knowledge, it is not a common practice within Aboriginal society for detailed cultural knowledge to be known in the broader community or within Aboriginal community organisations. However, at times these organisations may defer to particular individuals or family groups as being the knowledge-holders of particular sets of cultural knowledge about places or the environment (DECCW 2010).

In some cases, the information provided may be sensitive and Advitech and the Proponent agree that they will not share that information with any other registered Aboriginal parties, or others, without the express permission of the individual. Advitech and the Proponent would like to develop and implement appropriate protocols for sourcing and holding cultural information. To this end, Advitech and the Proponent would like to extend an invitation to you to provide any cultural knowledge you have and any restrictions you would like to place on that information, as well as your preferred method of providing that information.

2.2 Archaeological assessment

Assessment entails an archaeological overview of the proposed project area. It includes the gathering of both environmental and archaeological information to gain an understanding of the environment, disturbances and provide a predictive model for the proposed project area.

Following the completion of a field survey, a report that includes detailed environmental and archaeological background, results, discussion, the cultural significance as determined by the registered Aboriginal parties and any mitigation measures proposed, will be provide to all registered Aboriginal parties for their review. This will also include further opportunity for the registered Aboriginal parties to provide feedback on any management or mitigation recommendations.

All registered parties will also be required to provide their own report/letter within a specified time and a copy of the final report will be provided to all Registered Stakeholders.

2.3 Survey Methods

The study area will be surveyed on foot in transects of approximately 5 metres apart. Areas with the greatest exposure of ground surface and with landforms suitable for occupation will be targeted in the field survey. This will ensure the entire study area is covered and any evidence of past occupation, Potential Archaeological Deposits (PADs) and disturbances will be identified.

3. ROLES, RESPONSIBILITIES AND FUNCTIONS OF PARTIES

The roles, responsibilities and functions of all parties are outlined below and are taken from DECCW (2010).

3.1 Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH)

The Director General of OEH is the decision-maker who decides to grant or refuse an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) application. If an AHIP is issued, conditions are usually attached and OEH is responsible for ensuring the AHIP holder complies with those conditions. When considering an application under Part 6 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act, 1974* (NPW Act) the Director General will review the information provided by proponents in line with its internal policies and procedures to assess potential or actual harm to Aboriginal objects or places (DECCW, 2010).

The Environment Protection and Regulation Group (EPRG) of OEH are responsible for administering the regulatory functions under Part 6 of the NPW Act. OEH expects that proponents and Aboriginal people should:

- Be aware that Part 6 of the NPW Act establishes the Director General or delegate of OEH as the decision-maker; and
- Recognise that the Director General's (or delegates) decisions may not be consistent with the views of the Aboriginal community and/or the proponent. However, OEH will take into account all relevant information it receives as part of its decision-making process.

3.2 Proponent

All proponents operate within a commercial environment which includes:

- Strict financial and management issues, priorities and deadlines;
- The need to gain community support in order to secure any necessary approval/consent/licence/permit to operate;
- The need for clearer processes and certainty of outcomes;
- The need for suitable access to land for the purpose of their development project;
- The need to work efficiently within the project's time, quality and cost planning and management parameters; and
- The need for culturally appropriate assessment findings relevant to their project.

Under these requirements, proponents should undertake the following:

- Bring the registered Aboriginal parties or their nominated representatives together and be responsible for ensuring appropriate administration and management of the consultation process;
- Consider the cultural perspectives, views, knowledge and advice of the registered Aboriginal parties involved in the consultation process in assessing cultural significance and developing any heritage management outcomes for Aboriginal object(s) and/or place(s);
- Provide evidence to OEH of consultation by including information relevant to the cultural perspectives, views, knowledge and advice provided by the registered Aboriginal parties; and
- Accurately record and clearly articulate all consultation findings in the final cultural heritage assessment report.

3.3 Registered Aboriginal Stakeholders

The interests and obligations of Aboriginal people relate to the protection of Aboriginal cultural heritage. It is only Aboriginal people who can determine who is accepted by their community as being

authorised to speak for Country and its associated cultural heritage. Where there is a dispute about who speaks for Country, it is appropriate for Aboriginal people, not OEH or the proponent, to resolve this dispute in a timely manner to enable effective consultation to proceed.

Aboriginal people who can provide information about cultural significance are, based on Aboriginal lore and customs, the traditional owners or custodians of the land that is the subject of the proposed project area. Traditional owners, knowledge holders or custodians with the appropriate cultural heritage who wish to register as an Aboriginal party are those people who:

- who possess the necessary knowledge to make informed decisions;
- continue to maintain a deep respect for their ancestral belief system, traditional lore and customs;
- recognise their responsibilities of their community, knowledge and obligations to protect and conserve their culture and heritage and to care for their traditional lands or country; and
- have the trust of their community, knowledge and understanding of their culture and permission to speak about it.

The registered Aboriginal parties should undertake the following;

- ensure the appropriate cultural knowledge holder is providing the appropriate information;
- uphold and respect the traditional rights, obligations and responsibilities of Aboriginal people within their own boundaries and not to infringe in other areas or Aboriginal people outside their own boundaries;
- consider and provide the proponent the cultural perspectives, views, knowledge and advice during the consultation process, assessing cultural significance and developing any heritage management outcomes for Aboriginal object(s) and/or place(s); and
- need to work efficiently within the project's time and provide feedback in a timely manner.

3.4 Local Aboriginal Land Councils

The NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) and Local Aboriginal Land Councils (LALCs) have statutory functions relevant to the protection of Aboriginal culture and heritage under the NSW Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983. These requirements do not extend the role of NSWALC and LALCs in the significance assessment process. That is, these requirements do not provide NSWALC and/or LALCs any additional or specific decision-making role in the assessment of significance of Aboriginal object(s) and/or place(s) that are subject to an AHIP application under Part 6 of the NPW Act.

LALCs may choose to register an interest to be involved in the consultation process, or may assist registered Aboriginal parties to participate in the consultation process established by these requirements. In order to ensure effective consultation and the subsequent informed heritage assessment, LALCs are encouraged to identify and make contact with Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge in their area.

4. CONSULTATION

- Consultation with registered Aboriginal parties involves obtaining the views of, and information from, Aboriginal parties and reporting on these. It should not be confused with other field assessment processes involved in preparing a proposal and an application.
- Consultation does not include the employment of Aboriginal people to assist in field assessment and/or site monitoring.

- The proponent is not obliged to employ those Aboriginal people registered for consultation. Consultation as per these requirements will continue irrespective of potential or actual employment opportunities (i.e. pay disputes) for Aboriginal people.

5. EMPLOYMENT

The proponent may engage an Aboriginal representative(s) from the registered parties (based on the size and nature of the project) to participate and assist in the fieldwork component of this project. If you would like to be considered for paid field work please answer the selection criteria attached and ensure you attach certificates of currency for the relevant insurances, CV(s), any certificates and references. Advitech Environmental will then pass this information onto the proponent for their consideration to make the selection for fieldwork participants should they wish to do so. **Please note your request to undertake in paid fieldwork (if offered by the Proponent) will not be addressed without Certificates of Currency for NSW workers compensation insurance, public liability insurance, and comprehensive motor vehicle insurance or third party property damage insurance attached to the request.**

Advitech Environmental will ensure that all Aboriginal parties are invited to participate in fieldwork; however paid participation will be determined by the proponent.

6. FORMS

You will find a number of forms attached for your convenience. However, if you prefer to use your own forms please feel free to do so. Please ensure that these are either filled out in full or your own forms/letters answer all the questions and returned to Advitech Environmental no later than 23 March 2016.

Forms attached:

- Register of cultural knowledge holder
- Cultural significance
- Comments on proposed methodology
- Aboriginal stakeholder site officer application

Advitech Environmental looks forward to your response and working with you on this project. Please do not hesitate to contact Viki Gordon on 02 4924 5248 or Dr. Rod Bennison on 02 4924 5219 should you have any questions.

Yours faithfully,

Viki Gordon

Senior Archaeologist
Advitech Pty Limited

Enclosed: Forms
Job No.: J0150419
Folder No.: F14275
Our Ref: F14275 Goolgowi Information Package to Griffiths LALC.docx

FORMS

Advitech Environmental Pty. Ltd. would like to clearly state that, should you wish to provide feedback in another form, you are encouraged to do so. You are under no obligation to complete the attached forms which are as follows:-

- Aboriginal Stakeholder Site Officer Application
- Registration of Cultural Knowledge Holders
- Cultural Significance
- Comments on proposed methodology

However, should you wish to use this forms, please complete, sign and return to Advitech using one of the following;

Postal address:

Viki Gordon

Advitech

P O Box 207

Mayfield NSW 2304

Email: viki.gordon@advitech.com.au

Fax: 02 4967 3772

ABORIGINAL STAKEHOLDER SITE OFFICER APPLICATION

Position description

A site officer must demonstrate that they have satisfactorily participated in previous archaeological fieldwork with an archaeologist. Site officers must be able to;

- undertake direction from the project archaeologist;
- undertake walking over extended periods of time;
- work in a range of climates wearing full protective clothing;
- work in teams with a wide range of people; and
- identify a broad range of Aboriginal objects across the landscape

To qualify as a site officer, appropriate training in identifying Aboriginal objects must have been undertaken (such as the Office of Environment and Heritage's (OEH) sites awareness training course, or other relevant secondary or tertiary studies) or equivalent knowledge or experience must be demonstrated.

The duties of the site officer, who will be under the direction of the project archaeologist may include, but are not limited to:

- site survey to identify known or potential Aboriginal objects;
- identifying and recording Aboriginal objects; and
- meeting general and site specific Occupational Health and Safety requirements

Selection criteria

The proponent will select applicants based on the following key selection criteria:

- an individual's ability to undertake the tasks specified;
- an individual's availability to undertake the activity (physically able to undertake field work);
- an individual's experience in undertaking similar activities. Applications may be subject to a reference check;
- individuals with demonstrated local cultural knowledge;
- individuals who can demonstrate they can communicate the results of the field work back to the registered Aboriginal stakeholders; and
- the Proponent may give preference to applicants who live locally.

The proponent is under no obligation to offer site officer positions based on an individual's association with a cultural group or area. The proponent makes no guarantee that registered parties will be engaged to undertake archaeological field activities. The number of site officer positions available will be minimal and based on need to undertake the archaeological methodology in a timely and efficient manner. However, Advitech will ensure all registered stakeholders are invited to participate in the survey regardless of engagement arrangements between the stakeholder(s) and the proponent. Applicants will be notified whether they have been successful or unsuccessful in their application for paid employment, if any.

Engagement

The Proponent selects and has final approval on who will be engaged as a site officer. Successful applicants will be engaged to provide the services through a written contract that will be provided at a later date. The proponent will only engage Service Providers with current NSW workers compensation insurance, public liability insurance, and comprehensive motor vehicle insurance or third party property damage insurance.

Payment

The proponent may pay Service Providers at a rate based on the project budget.

The quoted hourly rate is the rate to be paid by the Proponent to the Service Provider - **not** to the individual site officer.

Payment will only be made for the provision of the services (actual hours worked excluding meal breaks), and not for the time spent travelling to and from site. Payment will not be made until after the receipt of a cultural heritage report from the Service Provider following the survey.

ABORIGINAL SITE OFFICER APPLICATION FORM

An Aboriginal site officer application form must be filled out for each individual seeking to be engaged as a site officer.	
Name of organisation (if relevant)	
Name	
Contact number	
Mailing address	
Email address	
Fax	
Position applied for	Site officer ☐ Trainee Site Officer ☐
Please list any formal qualifications or relevant experience to the position applied for (attach documentation as required)	
Please list any previous archaeological, sites, survey, excavation or other relevant experience (attach additional sheets as required)	
Please provide the contact details of at least one archaeologist (other than the project archaeologist) who can be contacted as a referee	
Please provide the contact details of at least one other person who may be contacted in regard to your previous cultural heritage experience	
Do you have Workcover NSW General Induction for Construction Work in NSW (also referred to as a green or white card)	Yes ☐ No ☐
Are you an Aboriginal person?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Are you a knowledge holder (according to traditional lore)?	Yes ☐ No ☐

INSURANCES

Public Liability	Expiry date:	(attach certificate of currency)
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Worker Compensation	Expiry date: :	(attach certificate of currency)
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Comprehensive Motor Vehicle	Expiry date: :	(attach certificate of currency)
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Failure to provide up to date Certificate of Currencies will prevent you participating in any fieldwork.

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY (OH&S)

All participants are required to comply with Advitech and the proponents OH&S requirements.

This includes high visibility clothing, long pants and long sleeved shirts, a wide brim hat, sunscreen and steel capped boots. You will be advised of any additional requirements.

This also includes appropriate and acceptable behavior at all times.

Failure to comply will prevent you from participating in the field work.

REGISTRATION OF CULTURAL KNOWLEDGE HOLDER

Advitech and the proponent would like to facilitate a process whereby all registered Aboriginal parties are provided the opportunity to contribute to culturally appropriate information gathering, provide information that will enable the cultural significance of Aboriginal sites/places on the project area to be determined, and have input into the development of any cultural heritage management options. To enable this to occur, it is necessary to consult with the cultural knowledge holder(s).

To this end, as per the OEH Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents (2010), you are required to provide details of the individual(s) who hold cultural knowledge (according to traditional lore) relevant to the project area. If your group has no knowledge holders, this is important information too.

Please fill in the following information for cultural knowledge holder(s). If there are more than three in your organisation please feel free to attach another sheet. If there are no knowledge holders in your group please send back blank.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

As per the OEH *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (2010), the proponent seeks information on the following:

- 1) Are there Aboriginal objects of cultural value in the proposed project area?

- 2) Are there Aboriginal places of cultural value to the Aboriginal people in the area of the proposed project? This may include places of social, spiritual and cultural value, historic places with cultural significance, and potential places/areas of historic, social, spiritual and/or cultural significance that may be either pre-contact, post contact or contemporary in age.

- 3) Is there any other cultural information relevant to the proposed project area?

- 4) Advitech and the proponent would like to develop and implement appropriate protocols for sourcing and holding cultural information. Please provide your preferred method of providing detailed information on the above (e.g. written, verbal, this form) and any restrictions you would like to place on your information.

COMMENTS ON PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

I, _____ (please insert your name) of _____ (please insert the name of your group), **agree to the methodology** outlined by Advitech in relation to the proposed assessment at Mcraes Road, Goolgowi.

Additional comments:

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Position within organisation: _____

I, _____ (please insert your name) of _____ (please insert the name of your group), **do not agree to the methodology** outlined by Advitech in relation to the proposed Project at Mcraes Road, Goolgowi for the following reasons (please explain your reasons for disagreeing):

I would like to suggest the following (please provide your reasoning): _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Position within organisation: _____



Registration of Aboriginal Interests - ACH assessment - Poultry farm, Goolgowi and Ngemba/Ngiyampaa People
Viki Gordon

to:

peter.ewin, steven.meredith

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1 Attachment



DOC16-14047 McRaes Road Poultry Farm Goolgowi_Carrathool LGA.pdf

Dear Sirs,

Further to the below email sent earlier today, I have now received a telephone call from Mr George Tonna from NTSCORP. Mr Tonna advised that NTSCORP do not feel that the relevant Native Title Claim is close enough to the proposed study area for it to be relevant to this Cultural Heritage Assessment.

Kind regards

Viki Gordon

Senior Archaeologist

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Cc: Andrew.Fisher@environment.nsw.gov.au, Rod Bennison/Advitech@Advitech

Date: 18/02/2016 09:17 AM

Subject: Registration of Aboriginal Interests - ACH assessment - Poultry farm, Goolgowi

Dear Sirs,

We act for a Proponent in regard to an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment to be undertaken at Goolgowi. Below is the response received from Andrew Fisher regarding interested Aboriginal parties in accordance with the OEH *Aboriginal Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents 2010*. and in response to our original letter of request. We note that we were also advised by Local Land Services at Riverina that an interested party was OEH Regional Manager, Mr Steven Meredith at Queanbeyan.

Would you please confirm which OEH office and officer is responsible for the specific project area?

We further ask for OEH's guidance in regard to a response received from the Native Title Tribunal which advised that Native Title Claimants, NC2012/001Ngemba/Ngiyampaa Peoples, may have an interest in the area.

The Native Title Claim involves an area of land that is not within the proposed development area but is nearby, being slightly north of Hillston. We have not received any responses from the NTSCORP in regard to our initial or further enquiries. Since receipt of the Native Title Tribunal's advice, we have been attempting to locate a contact or point of service to invite the Native Title claimants to register their interest in the project, should they so desire. Enquiries to date have included:-

1. Telephone call to Steven Meredith OEH on 10 February 2016. Mr Meredith was unavailable and a message was left;
2. Email to Steven Meredith OEH on 10 February 2016;
3. Email to Native Title Tribunal requesting contact details for the Ngemba/Ngiyampaa People on 11 February 2016;
4. Telephone call to Steven Meredith OEH on 12 February 2016. Mr Meredith was unavailable and a message was left;
5. Telephone call to NTSCORP on 12 February 2016. The phone was not answered;
6. 3 x telephone call to NTSCORP on 17 February 2016. The phone was not answered;
7. Telephone call to Dianne Drake at Native Title Tribunal on 17 February, 2016. Ms Drake advised of 2 email addresses for persons at NTSCORP representing the Ngemba/Ngiyampaa People;
8. Email to NTSCORP (both addresses) providing letter of invitation to register, by way of service, on the Ngemba/Ngiyampaa People dated 17 February, 2016.

Advertising in the Local Newspaper has taken place.

To date the only response in regard to our invitation to register an interest has been from the Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council. Our client does not wish to delay the consultation period any longer and we request the relevant and applicable OEH Office/Officer to advise whether it is considered our attempts to invite the Native Title Claimants are sufficient in order to proceed to the next stage of inviting the LALC to the field survey in accordance with the regular notification periods under the Proponents Consultation obligations?

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss this matter any further.

Viki Gordon

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To: "mail@advitech.com.au" <mail@advitech.com.au>,
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Date: 15/01/2016 09:20 AM

Subject: Attn: Vicki Gordon re. Registration of Aboriginal Interests - ACH assessment - Poultry farm, Goolgowi

Vicki,

Please find attached a copy of OEH's response to your request regarding Registration of Aboriginal Interests in relation to an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment for a proposed Poultry Farm at Goolgowi in the Carrathool Local Government Area.

A hard copy will follow in the mail.

Please address future correspondence to:

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Regional Operations Group (South Branch)

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peter.ewin@environment.nsw.gov.au

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Thanks

Andrew

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24th February, 2016

The Ngemba/Ngiyampaa People
C/- NTSCORP

By emails: cdigiusto@ntscorp.com.au; hhariharan@ntscorp.com.au; gtonna@ntscorp.com.au

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Subject: Invitation to Aboriginal people to Register Interest
Cultural Heritage Assessment at Mcraes Road, Goolgowi**

We refer to our letter dated 17 February 2016 (a copy of which is attached). We are instructed that an extension of the time for registration of interest in the above development has been extended, for the Ngemba/Ngiyampaa People until 9 March, 2016. This extension has been given in accordance with the request of Officers of NTSCORP.

Should you wish to register your interest in this project, please register in writing no later than 9 March, 2016 to:

Viki Gordon
Advitech Environmental Pty. Ltd,
P O Box 207
MAYFIELD NSW 2304

or return to email viki.gordon@advitech.com.au.

Kind regards,

**Viki Gordon
Senior Archaeologist
Advitech Pty Limited**

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24 February 2016

Leonie O'Neill
Murrin Bridge Local Aboriginal Land Council
By email: murrinbridgelalc@gmail.com

Dear Leonie,

Subject: PROPOSED POULTRY FARM AT LOTS 1 & 2 IN DP749831 AT MCRAES ROAD, GOOLGOWI

Advitech Environmental would like to thank you for registering your interest in this project. In order for the proponent to fulfil its cultural heritage consultation requirements under the Office of Environment and Heritage's *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (2010) (ACHCRP), we would like to provide you with the following information about the proposed development including the following:

- The project
 - Location of study area;
 - Project outline and impacts; and
 - Critical archaeological timeline
- Methods of investigation
 - Gathering of information of cultural significance;
 - Archaeological assessment; and
 - Survey methods
- The roles and responsibilities of all parties
 - Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH)
 - The proponent
 - Registered Aboriginal Stakeholders
 - Local Aboriginal Land Councils; and
- Consultation
- Employment

The purpose of this information is to make sure:

- That everybody involved has an understanding of the project;
- The critical time line that must be followed;
- That cultural knowledge, where possible, is received from the appropriate individuals with knowledge of the study area;
- To ensure that Aboriginal cultural heritage is taken into account in the planning of the proposed development;
- If you have any issues or concerns that need to be addressed;
- The methods of survey are agreed upon; and
- The *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (2010), are met.

Additionally, in order for the proponent to further fulfil its cultural heritage consultation requirements (as required by the ACHCRP), it would be appreciated if you could provide the required information no later than 23 March, 2016.

We have also taken the opportunity to include a selection of templates to ensure all the required information is obtained to meet the OEH requirements. You may wish to use the forms attached for your convenience or the use of your own forms is also encouraged.

The advertisement of this project, and the letter of invitation to register for the project, is for Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge (passed down in the traditional manner) that is relevant to the proposed project area and who can determine the significance of Aboriginal object(s) and/or place(s) in the area of the proposed project.

As required by the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (2010), you must nominate the contact person(s) who holds the cultural knowledge and provide written confirmation and contact details of this person or persons whom you represent. If it is you that holds traditional knowledge, please provide the same details.

As all communications, including phone calls, faxes, letters, and e-mails must be included in the consultation component of the report (and once again as required by the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (2010), please make certain that any items that you or your group deem confidential are either stated at the beginning of a conversation or stamped/written on any emails, faxes or letters.

Please note that in order to adhere to time constraints, the lack of a response by 23 March, 2016 will be taken by the Proponent to mean that you or your organisation has no comments to make regarding the proposed methodology. Failure to provide the required information by the prescribed timeline will also result in a missed opportunity for you or knowledge holders to contribute to the cultural heritage considerations. It will mean that you will not be considered for engagement to undertake the survey as the Proponent needs the required information to make informed decisions about who to engage.

1. THE PROJECT

Advitech Environmental Pty. Ltd. has been commissioned by Tattersall Lander Pty. Ltd. to undertake an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Assessment (AHIA) for a poultry farm in lots 1 & 2 in DP749831 at Mcraes Road, Goolgowi which is in the Carrathool Local Government Area (LGA). The AHIA will determine the potential impacts upon the Aboriginal cultural heritage within the development area. It is intended that any areas containing Aboriginal cultural heritage values will be identified and the appropriate management recommendations will be established through consultation with the registered Aboriginal parties.

1.1 Study area

The proposed poultry farm will be situated over lots 1 & 2 in DP749831 at Mcraes Road, Goolgowi. The project area comprises approximately 618 hectares, of which approximately 172 hectares will be utilised for the poultry farm operation.

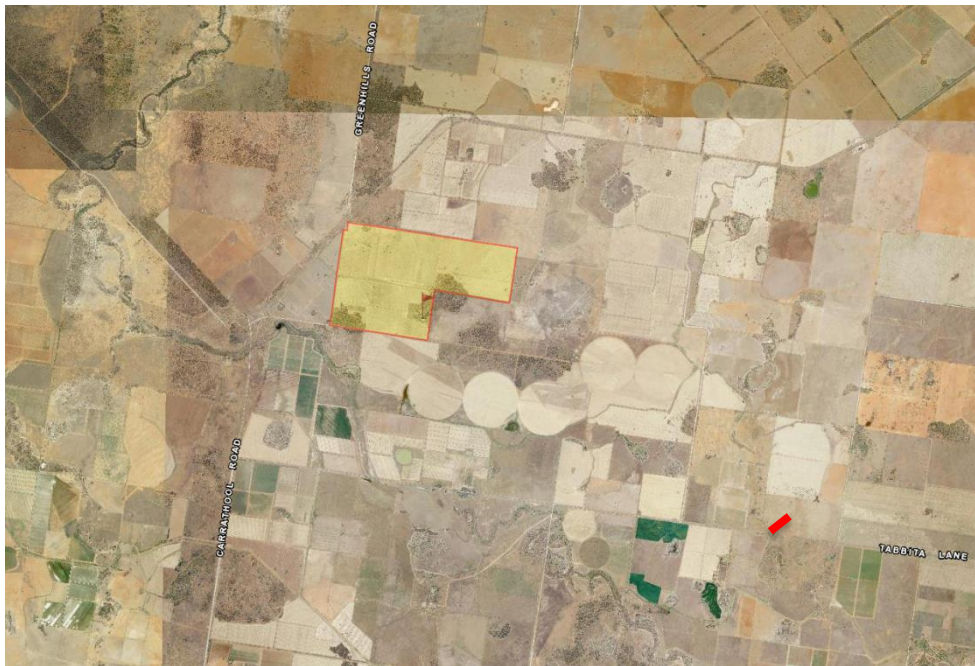


Figure 1 Study area (Source: sixmaps.nsw.gov.au)

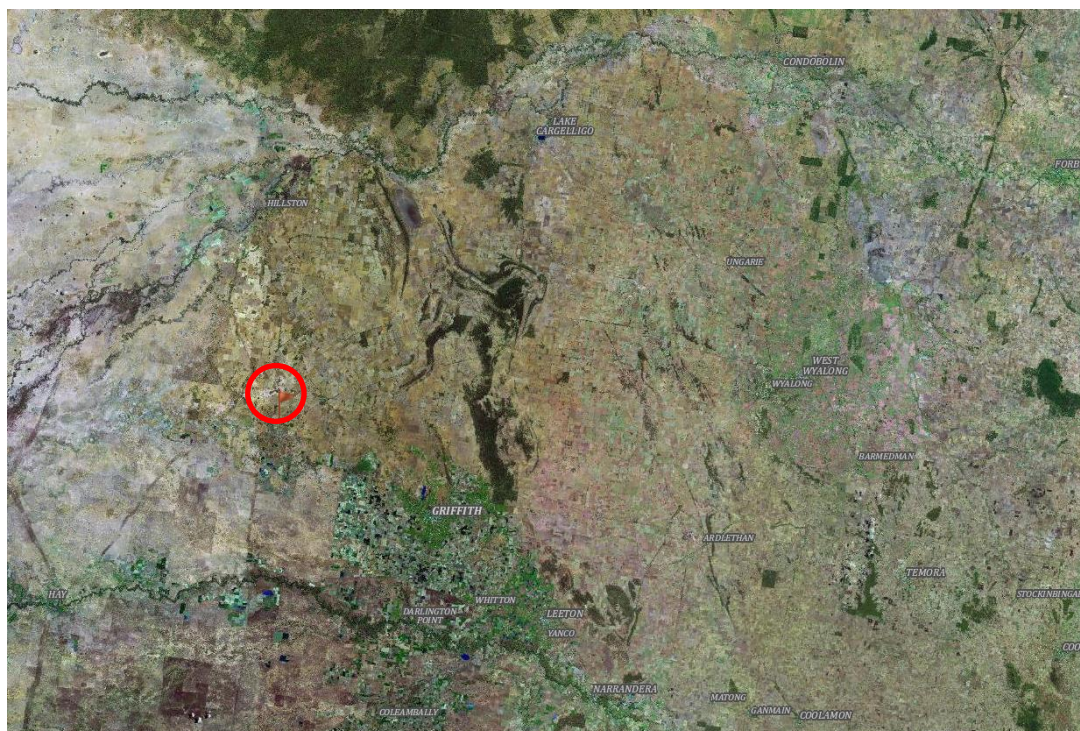


Figure 2 Locality of study area (Source: sixmaps.nsw.gov.au)

1.2 Project Outline and Impacts

It is anticipated by the Proponent that the proposed impacts of the development will include:

- The development of 6 x 20 poultry sheds and associated machinery, sheds, office and supplementary facilities;
- Minimal clearance of vegetation (maybe a few trees will be required for the road access);

- Excavation of storage dams of around 300ML each, shed, reservoir, dwellings (2), noise and odour mounds;
- Extensive vegetation rehabilitation;
- Earthworks to reconfigure site for construction of sheds; and
- Haulage to (new chicks, feed deliveries etc.) and from (grown birds) site.

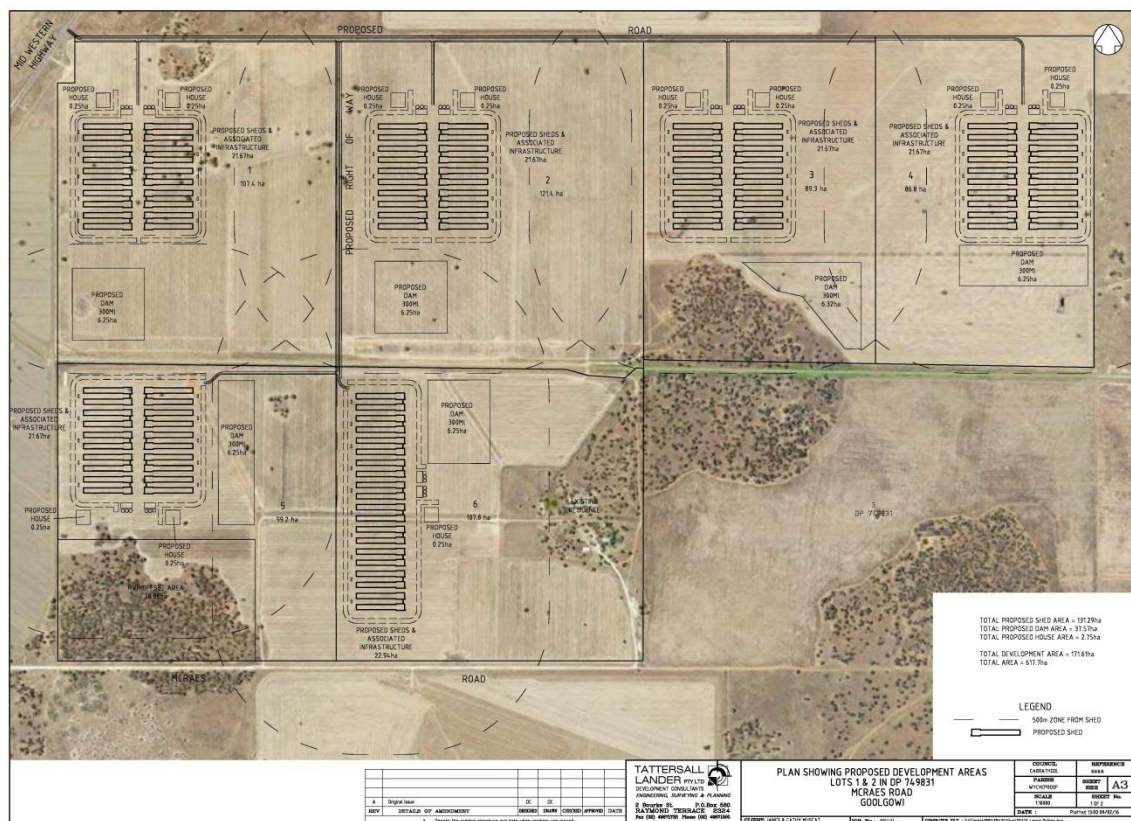


Figure 3 Draft plan of areas to be impacted (Source: Proponent)

Both this proposal and any prospective disturbance of sites or PADs, that are unavoidable, will be managed in accordance with the requirements and provisions of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act, 1974*.

1.3 Critical Archaeological Timeline

The following Table indicates the timelines critical for the archaeological assessment. However, please note that consultation may be increased or decreased depending on response times and knowledge sharing.

Stages	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10
Stage 1: consultation										
Stage 2: survey										
Stage 3: reporting										
Stage 4: finalisation										

2. METHODS OF INVESTIGATION

There are two methods of investigation including the gathering of cultural significance knowledge and archaeological assessment. These are briefly outlined below.

2.1 Gathering of information of cultural significance

Advitech and the Proponent understand that unlike the written word, Aboriginal cultural knowledge is not static, but responds to change through absorbing new information and adapting to the implications. Aboriginal cultural knowledge is handed down through oral tradition (song, story, art, language and dance) from generation to generation, and preserves the relationship to the land (DECCW 2010).

Specific details and parts of cultural knowledge are usually held and maintained by individuals or within particular family groups. Although the broader community may be aware of the general features of that knowledge, it is not a common practice within Aboriginal society for detailed cultural knowledge to be known in the broader community or within Aboriginal community organisations. However, at times these organisations may defer to particular individuals or family groups as being the knowledge-holders of particular sets of cultural knowledge about places or the environment (DECCW 2010).

In some cases, the information provided may be sensitive and Advitech and the Proponent agree that they will not share that information with any other registered Aboriginal parties, or others, without the express permission of the individual. Advitech and the Proponent would like to develop and implement appropriate protocols for sourcing and holding cultural information. To this end, Advitech and the Proponent would like to extend an invitation to you to provide any cultural knowledge you have and any restrictions you would like to place on that information, as well as your preferred method of providing that information.

2.2 Archaeological assessment

Assessment entails an archaeological overview of the proposed project area. It includes the gathering of both environmental and archaeological information to gain an understanding of the environment, disturbances and provide a predictive model for the proposed project area.

Following the completion of a field survey, a report that includes detailed environmental and archaeological background, results, discussion, the cultural significance as determined by the registered Aboriginal parties and any mitigation measures proposed, will be provide to all registered Aboriginal parties for their review. This will also include further opportunity for the registered Aboriginal parties to provide feedback on any management or mitigation recommendations.

All registered parties will also be required to provide their own report/letter within a specified time and a copy of the final report will be provided to all Registered Stakeholders.

2.3 Survey Methods

The study area will be surveyed on foot in transects of approximately 5 metres apart. Areas with the greatest exposure of ground surface and with landforms suitable for occupation will be targeted in the field survey. This will ensure the entire study area is covered and any evidence of past occupation, Potential Archaeological Deposits (PADs) and disturbances will be identified.

3. ROLES, RESPONSIBILITIES AND FUNCTIONS OF PARTIES

The roles, responsibilities and functions of all parties are outlined below and are taken from DECCW (2010).

3.1 Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH)

The Director General of OEH is the decision-maker who decides to grant or refuse an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit (AHIP) application. If an AHIP is issued, conditions are usually attached and OEH is responsible for ensuring the AHIP holder complies with those conditions. When considering an application under Part 6 of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act, 1974* (NPW Act) the Director General will review the information provided by proponents in line with its internal policies and procedures to assess potential or actual harm to Aboriginal objects or places (DECCW, 2010).

The Environment Protection and Regulation Group (EPRG) of OEH are responsible for administering the regulatory functions under Part 6 of the NPW Act. OEH expects that proponents and Aboriginal people should:

- Be aware that Part 6 of the NPW Act establishes the Director General or delegate of OEH as the decision-maker; and
- Recognise that the Director General's (or delegates) decisions may not be consistent with the views of the Aboriginal community and/or the proponent. However, OEH will take into account all relevant information it receives as part of its decision-making process.

3.2 Proponent

All proponents operate within a commercial environment which includes:

- Strict financial and management issues, priorities and deadlines;
- The need to gain community support in order to secure any necessary approval/consent/licence/permit to operate;
- The need for clearer processes and certainty of outcomes;
- The need for suitable access to land for the purpose of their development project;
- The need to work efficiently within the project's time, quality and cost planning and management parameters; and
- The need for culturally appropriate assessment findings relevant to their project.

Under these requirements, proponents should undertake the following:

- Bring the registered Aboriginal parties or their nominated representatives together and be responsible for ensuring appropriate administration and management of the consultation process;
- Consider the cultural perspectives, views, knowledge and advice of the registered Aboriginal parties involved in the consultation process in assessing cultural significance and developing any heritage management outcomes for Aboriginal object(s) and/or place(s);
- Provide evidence to OEH of consultation by including information relevant to the cultural perspectives, views, knowledge and advice provided by the registered Aboriginal parties; and
- Accurately record and clearly articulate all consultation findings in the final cultural heritage assessment report.

3.3 Registered Aboriginal Stakeholders

The interests and obligations of Aboriginal people relate to the protection of Aboriginal cultural heritage. It is only Aboriginal people who can determine who is accepted by their community as being

authorised to speak for Country and its associated cultural heritage. Where there is a dispute about who speaks for Country, it is appropriate for Aboriginal people, not OEH or the proponent, to resolve this dispute in a timely manner to enable effective consultation to proceed.

Aboriginal people who can provide information about cultural significance are, based on Aboriginal lore and customs, the traditional owners or custodians of the land that is the subject of the proposed project area. Traditional owners, knowledge holders or custodians with the appropriate cultural heritage who wish to register as an Aboriginal party are those people who:

- who possess the necessary knowledge to make informed decisions;
- continue to maintain a deep respect for their ancestral belief system, traditional lore and customs;
- recognise their responsibilities of their community, knowledge and obligations to protect and conserve their culture and heritage and to care for their traditional lands or country; and
- have the trust of their community, knowledge and understanding of their culture and permission to speak about it.

The registered Aboriginal parties should undertake the following;

- ensure the appropriate cultural knowledge holder is providing the appropriate information;
- uphold and respect the traditional rights, obligations and responsibilities of Aboriginal people within their own boundaries and not to infringe in other areas or Aboriginal people outside their own boundaries;
- consider and provide the proponent the cultural perspectives, views, knowledge and advice during the consultation process, assessing cultural significance and developing any heritage management outcomes for Aboriginal object(s) and/or place(s); and
- need to work efficiently within the project's time and provide feedback in a timely manner.

3.4 Local Aboriginal Land Councils

The NSW Aboriginal Land Council (NSWALC) and Local Aboriginal Land Councils (LALCs) have statutory functions relevant to the protection of Aboriginal culture and heritage under the NSW Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983. These requirements do not extend the role of NSWALC and LALCs in the significance assessment process. That is, these requirements do not provide NSWALC and/or LALCs any additional or specific decision-making role in the assessment of significance of Aboriginal object(s) and/or place(s) that are subject to an AHIP application under Part 6 of the NPW Act.

LALCs may choose to register an interest to be involved in the consultation process, or may assist registered Aboriginal parties to participate in the consultation process established by these requirements. In order to ensure effective consultation and the subsequent informed heritage assessment, LALCs are encouraged to identify and make contact with Aboriginal people who hold cultural knowledge in their area.

4. CONSULTATION

- Consultation with registered Aboriginal parties involves obtaining the views of, and information from, Aboriginal parties and reporting on these. It should not be confused with other field assessment processes involved in preparing a proposal and an application.
- Consultation does not include the employment of Aboriginal people to assist in field assessment and/or site monitoring.

- The proponent is not obliged to employ those Aboriginal people registered for consultation. Consultation as per these requirements will continue irrespective of potential or actual employment opportunities (i.e. pay disputes) for Aboriginal people.

5. EMPLOYMENT

The proponent may engage an Aboriginal representative(s) from the registered parties (based on the size and nature of the project) to participate and assist in the fieldwork component of this project. If you would like to be considered for paid field work please answer the selection criteria attached and ensure you attach certificates of currency for the relevant insurances, CV(s), any certificates and references. Advitech Environmental will then pass this information onto the proponent for their consideration to make the selection for fieldwork participants should they wish to do so. **Please note your request to undertake in paid fieldwork (if offered by the Proponent) will not be addressed without Certificates of Currency for NSW workers compensation insurance, public liability insurance, and comprehensive motor vehicle insurance or third party property damage insurance attached to the request.**

Advitech Environmental will ensure that all Aboriginal parties are invited to participate in fieldwork; however paid participation will be determined by the proponent.

6. FORMS

You will find a number of forms attached for your convenience. However, if you prefer to use your own forms please feel free to do so. Please ensure that these are either filled out in full or your own forms/letters answer all the questions and returned to Advitech Environmental no later than 23 March 2016.

Forms attached:

- Register of cultural knowledge holder
- Cultural significance
- Comments on proposed methodology
- Aboriginal stakeholder site officer application

Advitech Environmental looks forward to your response and working with you on this project. Please do not hesitate to contact Viki Gordon on 02 4924 5248 or Dr. Rod Bennison on 02 4924 5219 should you have any questions.

Yours faithfully,

Viki Gordon

Senior Archaeologist
Advitech Pty Limited

Enclosed: Forms
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Our Ref: F14275 Goolgowi Information Package to Griffiths LALC.docx

FORMS

Advitech Environmental Pty. Ltd. would like to clearly state that, should you wish to provide feedback in another form, you are encouraged to do so. You are under no obligation to complete the attached forms which are as follows:-

- Aboriginal Stakeholder Site Officer Application
- Registration of Cultural Knowledge Holders
- Cultural Significance
- Comments on proposed methodology

However, should you wish to use this forms, please complete, sign and return to Advitech using one of the following;

Postal address:

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Advitech

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Mayfield NSW 2304

Email: viki.gordon@advitech.com.au

Fax: 02 4967 3772

ABORIGINAL STAKEHOLDER SITE OFFICER APPLICATION

Position description

A site officer must demonstrate that they have satisfactorily participated in previous archaeological fieldwork with an archaeologist. Site officers must be able to;

- undertake direction from the project archaeologist;
- undertake walking over extended periods of time;
- work in a range of climates wearing full protective clothing;
- work in teams with a wide range of people; and
- identify a broad range of Aboriginal objects across the landscape

To qualify as a site officer, appropriate training in identifying Aboriginal objects must have been undertaken (such as the Office of Environment and Heritage's (OEH) sites awareness training course, or other relevant secondary or tertiary studies) or equivalent knowledge or experience must be demonstrated.

The duties of the site officer, who will be under the direction of the project archaeologist may include, but are not limited to:

- site survey to identify known or potential Aboriginal objects;
- identifying and recording Aboriginal objects; and
- meeting general and site specific Occupational Health and Safety requirements

Selection criteria

The proponent will select applicants based on the following key selection criteria:

- an individual's ability to undertake the tasks specified;
- an individual's availability to undertake the activity (physically able to undertake field work);
- an individual's experience in undertaking similar activities. Applications may be subject to a reference check;
- individuals with demonstrated local cultural knowledge;
- individuals who can demonstrate they can communicate the results of the field work back to the registered Aboriginal stakeholders; and
- the Proponent may give preference to applicants who live locally.

The proponent is under no obligation to offer site officer positions based on an individual's association with a cultural group or area. The proponent makes no guarantee that registered parties will be engaged to undertake archaeological field activities. The number of site officer positions available will be minimal and based on need to undertake the archaeological methodology in a timely and efficient manner. However, Advitech will ensure all registered stakeholders are invited to participate in the survey regardless of engagement arrangements between the stakeholder(s) and the proponent. Applicants will be notified whether they have been successful or unsuccessful in their application for paid employment, if any.

Engagement

The Proponent selects and has final approval on who will be engaged as a site officer. Successful applicants will be engaged to provide the services through a written contract that will be provided at a later date. The proponent will only engage Service Providers with current NSW workers compensation insurance, public liability insurance, and comprehensive motor vehicle insurance or third party property damage insurance.

Payment

The proponent may pay Service Providers at a rate based on the project budget.

The quoted hourly rate is the rate to be paid by the Proponent to the Service Provider - **not** to the individual site officer.

Payment will only be made for the provision of the services (actual hours worked excluding meal breaks), and not for the time spent travelling to and from site. Payment will not be made until after the receipt of a cultural heritage report from the Service Provider following the survey.

ABORIGINAL SITE OFFICER APPLICATION FORM

An Aboriginal site officer application form must be filled out for each individual seeking to be engaged as a site officer.	
Name of organisation (if relevant)	
Name	
Contact number	
Mailing address	
Email address	
Fax	
Position applied for	Site officer ☐ Trainee Site Officer ☐
Please list any formal qualifications or relevant experience to the position applied for (attach documentation as required)	
Please list any previous archaeological, sites, survey, excavation or other relevant experience (attach additional sheets as required)	
Please provide the contact details of at least one archaeologist (other than the project archaeologist) who can be contacted as a referee	
Please provide the contact details of at least one other person who may be contacted in regard to your previous cultural heritage experience	
Do you have Workcover NSW General Induction for Construction Work in NSW (also referred to as a green or white card)	Yes ☐ No ☐
Are you an Aboriginal person?	Yes ☐ No ☐
Are you a knowledge holder (according to traditional lore)?	Yes ☐ No ☐

INSURANCES

Public Liability	Expiry date:	(attach certificate of currency)
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Worker Compensation	Expiry date: :	(attach certificate of currency)
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Comprehensive Motor Vehicle	Expiry date: :	(attach certificate of currency)
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Failure to provide up to date Certificate of Currencies will prevent you participating in any fieldwork.

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY (OH&S)

All participants are required to comply with Advitech and the proponents OH&S requirements.

This includes high visibility clothing, long pants and long sleeved shirts, a wide brim hat, sunscreen and steel capped boots. You will be advised of any additional requirements.

This also includes appropriate and acceptable behavior at all times.

Failure to comply will prevent you from participating in the field work.

REGISTRATION OF CULTURAL KNOWLEDGE HOLDER

Advitech and the proponent would like to facilitate a process whereby all registered Aboriginal parties are provided the opportunity to contribute to culturally appropriate information gathering, provide information that will enable the cultural significance of Aboriginal sites/places on the project area to be determined, and have input into the development of any cultural heritage management options. To enable this to occur, it is necessary to consult with the cultural knowledge holder(s).

To this end, as per the OEH Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents (2010), you are required to provide details of the individual(s) who hold cultural knowledge (according to traditional lore) relevant to the project area. If your group has no knowledge holders, this is important information too.

Please fill in the following information for cultural knowledge holder(s). If there are more than three in your organisation please feel free to attach another sheet. If there are no knowledge holders in your group please send back blank.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE

As per the OEH *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (2010), the proponent seeks information on the following:

- 1) Are there Aboriginal objects of cultural value in the proposed project area?

- 2) Are there Aboriginal places of cultural value to the Aboriginal people in the area of the proposed project? This may include places of social, spiritual and cultural value, historic places with cultural significance, and potential places/areas of historic, social, spiritual and/or cultural significance that may be either pre-contact, post contact or contemporary in age.

- 3) Is there any other cultural information relevant to the proposed project area?

- 4) Advitech and the proponent would like to develop and implement appropriate protocols for sourcing and holding cultural information. Please provide your preferred method of providing detailed information on the above (e.g. written, verbal, this form) and any restrictions you would like to place on your information.

COMMENTS ON PROPOSED METHODOLOGY

I, _____ (please insert your name) of _____ (please insert the name of your group), **agree to the methodology** outlined by Advitech in relation to the proposed assessment at Mcraes Road, Goolgowi.

Additional comments:

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Position within organisation: _____

I, _____ (please insert your name) of _____ (please insert the name of your group), **do not agree to the methodology** outlined by Advitech in relation to the proposed Project at Mcraes Road, Goolgowi for the following reasons (please explain your reasons for disagreeing):

I would like to suggest the following (please provide your reasoning): _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Position within organisation: _____



Cultural Heritage Assessment at Mcraes Road Goolgowi

Viki Gordon

to:

grifflalc

24/03/2016 10:16 AM

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From: Viki Gordon/Advitech

To: grifflalc@bigpond.com,

2 Attachments



F14275 Letter of Engagement.pdf F14275 Goolgowi Information Package to Griffiths LALC.pdf

Dear Mr Carroll and Mr Harris,

Please find attached a letter offering employment to the Griffith LALC for the above Cultural Heritage Assessment. As discussed previously, we confirm that the Proponent will require to receive certificates of currency of your insurances before he will agree to the employing a LALC representative. We also note that the Proponent will require the attached Terms of Employment signed and returned prior to the survey.

We wish to undertake the Survey on Thursday 14 April, 2016.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Kind regards

Viki Gordon

Senior Archaeologist

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24 March 2016

Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council
P O Box 8043
East Griffith NSW 2680
griffalac@bigpond.com

ATT: Mr Robert Carroll and Max Harris

Dear Sir,

Subject: Survey invitation and letter of engagement: Aboriginal Archaeological Assessment at Mcraes Road, Goolgowi

We refer to previous telephone conversations with Mr Carroll and Mr Harris on 17 March, 2016. We note our telephone advice that the Proponent and Advitech would like the Griffith LALC to participate in the cultural heritage assessment of the above property on a paid basis. However, as advised on 17 March, without receipt of the relevant insurances (requested in our previous letter dated 18 February, 2016, a copy of which is attached for your reference) we are unable to invite you to participate.

Advitech would like to organise the field survey for the above study area to take place on Thursday 14 April, 2016 starting at 8.30am. We anticipate work will be completed within one day, however, please be advised that this time may change.

As part of the assessment process, the Proponent requires an appropriate person from your organisation to participate in the survey of the study area in order to identify known or potential cultural heritage features. A cultural heritage report must be prepared by you following the survey and following receipt of the draft archaeological report within the required 28 days review period. The cultural heritage report will identify known or potential Aboriginal objects or places and/or any other cultural heritage matters that may be affected by the project.

If you accept the terms outlined in the Letter of Engagement (attached) please sign the Letter of Engagement and return to Advitech. Participation in the program is dependent upon the receipt of the signed Letter of Engagement. Additionally, we have enclosed our OH&S requirements for field staff and request that you ensure all field staff participating in the project has:

- read and understood the Letter of Engagement document fully prior to going out on site;
- have read the information package provided; and
- must be clothed in the requested PPE or otherwise they will not be able to participate in the survey.

Due to the extent of organisation and expense involved in arranging the survey, it will not be delayed if your representative is unable to attend on the day or if the representative is not attired correctly.

As all communications, including phone calls, faxes, letters, and e-mails must be included in the consultation component of the report as per the OEH requirements, please ensure that any items that you or your group deem confidential are made apparent to your field representative prior to field work to ensure that information remains confidential, if required. Failure to disclose that information is confidential may result in the information being included in the report.

Should you have any questions regarding these terms and conditions or the project please contact me as a matter of urgency.

If you do not wish to participate in the field survey but, instead, would like to provide a written cultural assessment of the property, please contact me directly.

If you do wish to participate in the field survey we will require to receive both your insurances and the attached signed documents offering employment no later than 7 April, 2016.

Yours faithfully,

Viki Gordon

Senior Archaeologist
Advitech Pty Limited

Enclosed: Letter of engagement
Job No.: 0150419
Folder No.: 14275

Aboriginal Site Officer Letter of Engagement

Tattersall Lander Pty Ltd wishes to engage Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council (Service Provider) to provide an Aboriginal Site Officer to undertake an Aboriginal cultural heritage site survey for the Mcraes Road, Goolgowi project. The proponent and Service Provider agree to the terms and conditions of the engagement as follows:

Services

The Service Provider will engage the Site Officer to undertake the following:

- A cultural heritage survey within the study area; and
- The provision of a Cultural Heritage report incorporating the results of the field survey and a review of the draft Cultural Heritage Assessment (which will be provided by Advitech within 28 days following the survey); and
- The provision of an invoice for the services provided within 28 days of the date of the survey.

Fees

The proponent will pay \$75.00 (inc GST and travel) per hour for work undertaken by an Aboriginal Site Officer during the field survey.

Fees will be paid for actual hours worked by one (1) Site Officer representing your group only (this excludes any breaks/rests such as lunch - see Time Sheets below). This fee **includes** GST, travel and all other costs. **Payment for services will be made within 28 days of receipt of a correct invoice and cultural heritage report.** Please note that payment rates have been determined by the proponent and are based on the project budget. **Requests for payment will not be addressed until the Cultural Heritage report from you or the organisation represented is received.**

Invoices are to be addressed to Tattersall Lander Pty. Ltd, P O Box 580, Raymond Terrace NSW 2324.

Time sheets

The Service provider must ensure that the Site Officer signs a time sheet at the start and finish of each day the Services are provided. Fees will not be paid unless time sheets for each Site Officer have been completed. Advitech will have on site a time sheet that may be used.

Short breaks will be taken throughout the field survey and at the direction and discretion of the Proponent or Advitech's Archaeologist in accordance with OH&S requirements. A 20 minute break will be taken for morning tea and a 30 minute break for lunch. Please note that the Proponent will not include the lunch break as paid working time.

Work performance

The Service Provider must ensure that the Site Officer or Site Officer Trainee are fit for work, wear appropriate PPE (including fully covered walking shoes, long shirtsleeves, long pants and wide brim hat), undertake the Services in a timely manner, with reasonable care, skill and professionalism and in accordance with all applicable laws and any reasonable directions or requirements made by the proponent and/or Advitech.

Confidentiality

All information provided by Advitech or the Proponent to the Service Provider and/or Site Officer in relation to the services or the business or operations of the Proponent and Advitech are confidential. The Service Provider will ensure that it and the Site Officer keep such information confidential at all times (including after the completion of the Services) and must not disclose it to any other person without the prior written consent from the Proponent and/or Advitech.

OH&S Requirements

Before commencement of work you must ensure all field staff participating in this fieldwork have read and understood this letter of engagement. Field representatives participating in the survey will be required to wear fully covered shoes, long pants and long shirt (hi-visibility) with appropriate sun protection including hat. It is strongly recommended that participants bring adequate amounts of food and water for the day. There will be no opportunity to purchase food or water during the survey due to its location.

Early termination

The Proponent reserves the right to terminate this agreement at any time by giving 1 week written notice to the Service Provider.

No subcontracting

The Service Provider must not subcontract the provision of the Services without the proponent's prior written consent.

Insurances

The Service Provider must provide certificates of currency for Workers Comp, Public Liability and Comprehensive Motor vehicle insurances prior to the Services being provided.

Indemnity and release

The Service Provider undertakes the Services at its sole risk and the Proponent and/or Advitech will not be liable for any loss, damage, injury or death sustained by any person as a result of the Services being provided. The Service provider indemnifies and releases the Proponent and Advitech against any loss the proponent or Advitech suffers, or any claims made against the Proponent or Advitech by any person arising out of the provisions of the Services except to the extent that any loss or claims arise from any negligence by the Proponent or Advitech.

Variations

No changes to these terms can be made without the prior written agreement with the proponent.

Exclusion of other terms

This letter contains the sole agreement of the parties and all other terms are excluded. If you agree that the contents of this letter correctly set out the terms of engagement between the Proponent and your organisation then please sign both copies, keep one for yourself, and return the other signed copy to Advitech within 10 days.

Acceptance

Signed by

I/we agree to the terms set out in this letter and acknowledge that it forms a binding legal contract. I/we declare that I/we are authorised to sign this letter on behalf of

Please provide your ABN:

Signature of Witness

Signature of authorised person

Print name of Witness

Print name of authorised person

Print title and position of authorised person

Date:

Date:



RE: Archaeological assessment at McCraes Road Goolgowi
Robert Carroll
to:
viki.gordon
27/05/2016 02:30 PM
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To: <viki.gordon@advitech.com.au>,
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Vicki

I note that you have provided a:

- Covering letter
- Draft Archaeological assessment

Could you please advise the Griffith LALC why you did not directly involve any member of this organisation in the Aboriginal cultural investigation that was undertaken at the proposed site of the Poultry farm adjoining McCraes Road at Goolgowi.

Regards

Robert Carroll

From: viki.gordon@advitech.com.au [<mailto:viki.gordon@advitech.com.au>]
Sent: Friday, 27 May 2016 12:19 PM
To: griffalac@bigpond.com
Subject: Archaeological assessment at McCraes Road Goolgowi

ATT: Robert Carroll

Dear Mr Carroll,

Please find attached:-

1. Covering letter; and
2. Draft Archaeological assessment.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions or comments.

Kind regards

Viki Gordon

Senior Archaeologist

viki.gordon@advitech.com.au



RE: Cultural Heritage Assessment at Mcraes Road Goolgowi

Viki Gordon to: Robert Carroll

24/03/2016 01:18 PM

Cc: Rod Bennison

From: Viki Gordon/Advitech
To: "Robert Carroll" <griffalac@bigpond.com>,
Cc: Rod Bennison/Advitech@Advitech

Hi Robert,

Thank you for your email. I will forward to the Proponent and obtain his instructions.

Kind regards

Viki Gordon

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From: "Robert Carroll" <griffalac@bigpond.com>
To: <viki.gordon@advitech.com.au>,
Date: 24/03/2016 11:37 AM
Subject: RE: Cultural Heritage Assessment at Mcraes Road Goolgowi

Vicki

I have read your "Terms of Employment" and advise that the Griffith LALC does not agree with them, and further advise that if you do not agree to the following cost structure then we will not be involved in the Cultural Heritage Assessment of Mcraes Road, Goolgowi.

Cost Structure:

- \$85.00 per hour for a Senior Aboriginal Sites Officer
- \$60.00 per hour for a Junior Aboriginal Sites Officer
- 65 cents per kilometre for the use of their own vehicle
- 20% of the total wage cost for Superannuation and Workers Compensation.
- 10% GST
- 10% of the total cost for Griffith LALC – Administration purposes.

The costs that you are suggesting were being used by this and other Land Councils 5 years ago and since that time there have been significant increases in Wages, vehicle running costs, fuel etc. and the Griffith LALC is not in a financial position to be able to absorb all of those increases.

Regards

Robert Carroll

From: viki.gordon@advitech.com.au [<mailto:wiki.gordon@advitech.com.au>]
Sent: Thursday, 24 March 2016 10:16 AM
To: griffalac@bigpond.com
Subject: Cultural Heritage Assessment at Mcraes Road
Goolgowi

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Kind regards

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Cultural Heritage Assessment at Mcraes Road Goolgowi

Viki Gordon

to:

griffalac

24/03/2016 03:12 PM

Cc:

Rochelle Georgiou

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From: Viki Gordon/Advitech

To: griffalac@bigpond.com,

Cc: Rochelle Georgiou/Advitech@Advitech

1 Attachment



F14275 Letter of Engagement revised.pdf

Hi again,

Please note that we have sent the original of the first Terms of Employment in the mail today. Please ignore and destroy once you receive same. The revised terms as per the email today are now the correct Terms of Employment.

Kind regards

Viki Gordon

Senior Archaeologist

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From: Viki Gordon/Advitech

To: "Robert Carroll" <griffalac@bigpond.com>,

Date: 24/03/2016 03:03 PM

Subject: RE: Cultural Heritage Assessment at Mcraes Road Goolgowi

Hi Robert,

The Proponent has wholeheartedly agreed to the terms you propose in the below email and would definitely like the Griffith LALC to be involved in the Cultural Heritage Assessment on 14 April, 2016.

I enclose herewith a revised "Terms of Employment" letter with the agreed changes. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further queries.

I look forward to return of same, if in order, together with copies of the relevant insurances, including insurance for the vehicle to be used, as requested in our previous letter dated 18 February, 2016.

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24 March 2016

Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council
P O Box 8043
East Griffith NSW 2680
griffalac@bigpond.com

ATT: Mr Robert Carroll and Max Harris

AMENDED

Dear Sir,

Subject: Survey invitation and letter of engagement: Aboriginal Archaeological Assessment at Mcraes Road, Goolgowi

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- read and understood the Letter of Engagement document fully prior to going out on site;
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Yours faithfully,

Viki Gordon

Senior Archaeologist
Advitech Pty Limited

Enclosed: Letter of engagement
Job No.: 0150419
Folder No.: 14275

Aboriginal Site Officer Letter of Engagement

Tattersall Lander Pty Ltd wishes to engage Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council (Service Provider) to provide one (1) Aboriginal Site Officer to undertake an Aboriginal cultural heritage site survey for the Mcraes Road, Goolgowi project. The proponent and Service Provider agree to the terms and conditions of the engagement as follows:

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The proponent will pay:

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- 65 cents per kilometre for the use of their own vehicle from Griffiths LALC to the site and return; and
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Variations

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Acceptance

Signed by

I/we agree to the terms set out in this letter and acknowledge that it forms a binding legal contract. I/we declare that I/we are authorised to sign this letter on behalf of

Please provide your ABN:

Signature of Witness

Signature of authorised person

Print name of Witness

Print name of authorised person

Print title and position of authorised person

Date:

Date:



RE: Cultural Heritage Assessment at Mcraes Road Goolgowi
 Robert Carroll
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 viki.gordon
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 To: <viki.gordon@advitech.com.au>,

3 Attachments



image001.jpg image002.jpg GLALC-Insurance Policies.pdf

Vicki

Attached are the Griffith LALC Workers compensation and Public Liability Certificates of Currency.

Regards

Robert Carroll

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Sent: Thursday, 24 March 2016 1:19 PM
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Cc: rod.bennison@advitech.com.au
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27 May 2016

Mr Robert Carroll
CEO
Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council
P O Box 8043
East Griffith NSW 2680
Email "Robert Carroll" <griffalac@bigpond.com>

Sent by MAIL and EMAIL

Dear Mr Carroll,

**Subject: CULTURAL HERITAGE ASSESSMENT - PROPOSED POULTRY FARM AT LOTS 1
& 2 IN DP749831 AT MCRAES ROAD, GOOLGOWI**

We refer to previous correspondence and the Griffith LALC's registration of interest in this project. We now enclose, in accordance with Section 4.4 of the Office of Environment and Heritage's *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Consultation Requirements for Proponents* (2010) (ACHCRP), the draft archaeological assessment for the project.

We would appreciate receipt of any comments or submissions you would like to make in regard to the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment (see **Section 5**). In accordance with Section 4.4.3 of the ACHCRP, we require that any comments or submissions be received no later than 5.00pm on Monday 27 June, 2016.

Yours faithfully,

Viki Gordon
Senior Archaeologist
Advitech Pty Limited

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RE: Archaeological assessment at McCraes Road Goolgowi
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Regards

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Dear Mr Carroll,

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