

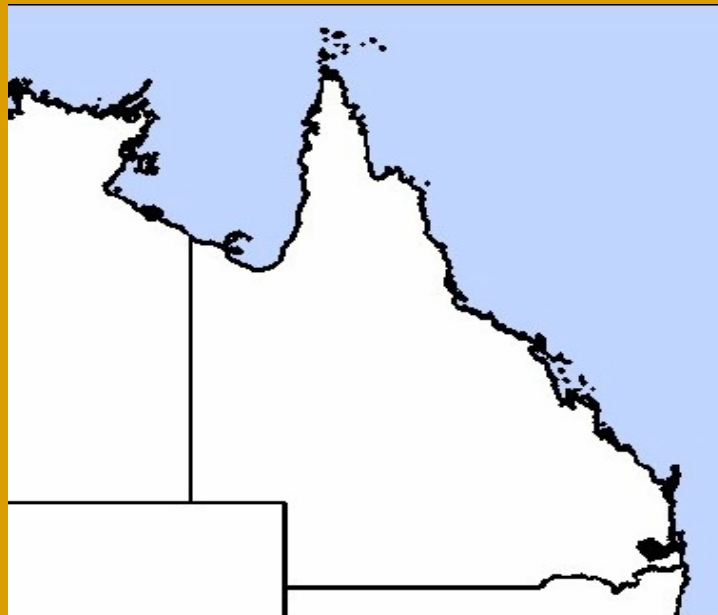


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## **Introduction**

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## **Jagera People #2 Report**

This report was produced by staff at the Research Unit of the National Native Title Tribunal in order to assist with the mediation of a native title application by the Jagera people of south-east Queensland. Two native title claims have been made by the Jagera people to date:

- Jagera People (QUD 6031/02; QC 02/33), a discontinued claim; and
- Jagera People #2 (QUD 6014/03; QC 03/15).

The second of these, Jagera People #2, is the focus of this research report.

The Jagera People #2 claim area includes parts of Queensland's most heavily populated region, including the Brisbane central business district, much of Brisbane's southern and eastern suburbs, and the city of Ipswich.

The upper north-western tip of the claim area is located just beyond the township of Esk, including parts of Lake Wivenhoe and the Esk State Forest. The boundary runs south-west to the lower north-western corner of the claim area at Hampton. It then runs due south, to Gatton Creek at Postman's Ridge, on the eastern outskirts of Toowoomba, which is the claim area's western-most point.

The boundary then follows a general south-easterly direction, following the Great Dividing Range to Cunningham's Gap, its south-western corner. It proceeds in a north-easterly direction, following the Cunningham Highway, through the Fassifern Valley, Boonah, then following Teviot Brook to the Logan River. It proceeds along the Logan River, through the south-eastern outskirts of greater Brisbane, almost to the mouth of the river, just south of Mt Cotton (the suburb).

The boundary subsequently turns sharply north-west, past the Daisy Hill State Forest and Tingalpa Reservoir, before turning north-east again, through Wynnum and into Moreton Bay as far as Fisherman's Island. The boundary incorporates a small area of Moreton Bay,

which includes the mouth of the Brisbane River, the Port of Brisbane, and Brisbane Airport. It returns inland at Boondall.

The boundary line then runs south-west, joining with the Brisbane River, following that watercourse just past the Brisbane central business district. It follows the river south-west, through Brisbane's south-western suburbs, and the northern suburbs of Ipswich. Here, the river (and boundary) turns north-west to Lake Wivenhoe, leading back to the upper north-western corner of the claim area near Esk.

This report is based on publicly and readily available information that describes the identity and/or location of the Jagera People of south-east Queensland, in relation to the areas claimed in Jagera # 2 (QUD 6014/03; QC 03/15).

## Research Method

The content and production of these reports are governed by time and resource constraints. They are usually prepared in six weeks by a single research officer with some input from a research assistant and a Tribunal librarian.

The material used for these reports is derived largely from a search of the AIATSIS online catalogue. A large proportion of this material is available only from the AIATSIS library, which has limited resources available to supply material. Therefore care is taken to request only that material which appears relevant to the scope of a particular report.

The Tribunal Library also has substantial holdings of reference material which is used where appropriate. In addition, a number of general references were used, including:

- Capell, 1963, *Linguistic Survey of Australia*;
- Horton, 1996, *Aboriginal Australia*;
- Tindale, 1940, 'Distribution of Australian Aboriginal tribes: a field survey';

- Tindale, 1974, *Aboriginal Tribes of Australia*; and
- Howitt, 1904, *The Native Tribes of South-East Australia*.

This report contains summaries of information that is publicly available and relevant to the Jagera People #2 native title application. The claim area covers a large proportion of the Brisbane metropolitan area, Ipswich, Gatton and the areas defined broadly by the Lockyer and Fassifern Valleys.

Overlaps with the Jagera #2 claim are depicted in Map 3 and feature the following applications:

- Western Wakka Wakka People (QC 99/04); and
- Turrbal People (QC 98/26).

While the overlap presented by the Western Wakka Wakka claim is relatively small, the Overlap between the Jagera #2 and the Turrbal claims is significant, partly because together they cover one of Australia's most densely populated locations, and partly because the historical record often appears to refer to Jagera and Turrbal people interchangeably in relation to the identity of the original Aboriginal occupants of Brisbane, in the first instance, and the wider region of the Jagera #2 claim area and beyond in the second. For this reason, a search was made for materials that referred to Jagara/Jagera, Turrbal and Ugarapul/Yugarabul, in so far as they related to the Jagera People #2 claim area or part thereof.

Prior to commencing the report, a search was made of the AIATSIS library catalogue for publicly available written materials using the above names in a 'language group' search and a 'words or phrase' search.

Each record was examined to determine its likely relevance or usefulness. Materials with access restrictions were omitted as were foreign language materials, obvious apparent cataloguing errors, microforms, audio material and material that appeared to deal with

technical aspects of language or education curricula. The result of these searches is set out in the table below:

<i>Search term</i>	<b>Raw result</b>	<b>After filtering</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Language Group: Jagera	0	0	Group name recognised by AIATSIS as 'Jagara'
Word or Phrase: Jagera	7	2	
Language Group: Jagara	118	60	
Word or Phrase: Jagara	125	0	No new hits
Language Group: Turrbal	0	0	Turrbal not recorded by AIATSIS catalogue as language groups
Word or Phrase: Turrbal	11	0	All hits covered by Jagara search
Language Group: Ugarapul	0	0	Language name not recorded by AIATSIS
Word or Phrase: Ugarapul	10	6	
<b>Total</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>68</b>	

In addition to the MURA search, a search was undertaken of the Department of Environment and Heritage library, Canberra, which supplied access to some Environmental Impact Study and heritage study documents pertaining to the area.

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