



# NNTT Assistance and PBC Support Services

## Assistance with Indigenous Land Use Agreements (ILUAs)

Any party can request assistance from the NNTT to:

- negotiate an ILUA; or
- resolve a dispute in relation to the registration of an ILUA.

The Native Title Registrar and her staff can assist you to:

- prepare an application for registration of an ILUA; or
- provide you with feedback about whether an ILUA will meet the requirements for registration.

For further information, see the [NNTT website](#) and ILUA factsheet.

## Geospatial Services

We can provide the following services:

- Preparation of maps and written descriptions for claim and ILUA areas, along with customised mapping products.
- Compliance advice on maps and descriptions in relation to registration.
- Spatial searches of the Registers, including the National Native Title Register, the Register of Native Title Claims and the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements.
- Training in the use of Native Title Vision Plus (NTV+).

For further information, see the [NNTT website](#).



## Future Act Mediation

Any party can make a request under s 31(3) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (NTA) for the NNTT to mediate between the parties to assist them in reaching agreement. Mediation conferences are conducted by special mediators who will help parties explore issues and develop options for agreement.

Issues causing disagreement might be related to funding of negotiations and negotiation meetings, appropriate cultural heritage arrangements, access arrangements, a lack of information about the proposal and related commercial values or compensation - including the nature and quantum of payments, and/or whether they include royalties.

For further information, see the [NNTT website](#).

## Dispute Resolution Assistance

The NNTT may assist in dispute management and resolution at the request of native title holders or PBCs.

The NNTT can facilitate a process for native title holders or PBCs to access information and to talk to people in order to work out their own solutions. It can also provide mediation assistance so that people in disagreement can talk to each other. For further information, see the NNTT website and 'How the NNTT can help you resolve a dispute' factsheet or email [PBCassist@nntt.gov.au](mailto:PBCassist@nntt.gov.au).

## How to make a request for assistance

- Write to [enquiries@nntt.gov.au](mailto:enquiries@nntt.gov.au).
- For assistance with a native title dispute, email [PBCassist@nntt.gov.au](mailto:PBCassist@nntt.gov.au).
- Include the name and address of the person seeking assistance.
- Specify the type of assistance you require.
- Include reasons why you have made the request.
- Include information about any other attempts you have made to get help from other organisations, and the names of those organisations.

YOUR OBJECTIVES	WHO CAN HELP	WHAT IS PROVIDED
Build PBC capacity to achieve your corporation's goals	<p><b>Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC)</b>  <a href="http://www.oric.gov.au">www.oric.gov.au</a> or 1800 622 431.</p> <p>ORIC provides its services through Northern and Southern hubs. <a href="http://www.oric.gov.au/contact-us">http://www.oric.gov.au/contact-us</a></p>	<p>The Registrar's office supports and regulates corporations by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>advising on how to start and run a corporation, providing information and guides and offering training in good governance</li> <li>ensuring compliance with the law; and</li> <li>intervening when problems arise.</li> </ul> <p>ORIC also provides training courses designed for directors and members of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporations.</p> <p>See ORIC's <a href="#">training schedule for 2021</a>.</p>
	<p><b>Prescribed Bodies Corporate (PBC) website</b>  <a href="http://www.nativetitle.org.au">www.nativetitle.org.au</a></p>	<p>AIATSIS publishes this website which has information about the entire range of PBC functions, support services and networks, including stories about the experience of other PBCs and native title law holders.</p>
Funding to support your corporation	<p><b>Indigenous Advancement Strategy</b>  <a href="https://www.niaa.gov.au/indigenous-affairs/grants-and-funding/capacity-building-native-title-corporations">https://www.niaa.gov.au/indigenous-affairs/grants-and-funding/capacity-building-native-title-corporations</a></p>	<p>Provides funding to increase PBC capacity for economic development opportunities.</p>
	<p><b>Native Title Representative Bodies and Service Providers</b> may provide support to assist PBCs during their set up as well as ongoing management. Some fees or charges may be payable for services they provide.  <a href="https://www.niaa.gov.au/indigenous-affairs/land-and-housing/native-title-representative-bodies-and-service-providers">https://www.niaa.gov.au/indigenous-affairs/land-and-housing/native-title-representative-bodies-and-service-providers</a></p>	<p>Some representative bodies have specific PBC units and teams. Contact the representative body for your area or visit their website.</p>
	<p><b>Prescribed Bodies Corporate (PBC) website.</b>  <a href="https://nativetitle.org.au/find/funding">https://nativetitle.org.au/find/funding</a></p>	<p>List of all agencies and bodies providing funding for a range of things from cultural and arts funding to caring for country and ranger programs.</p>
Resolving Disputes	<p><b>Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC)</b>  <a href="http://www.oric.gov.au">www.oric.gov.au</a> or 1800 622 431.            Dispute Resolution fact sheet.            Disputes involving corporations – ORIC Policy Statement 22.</p>	<p>ORIC provides assistance to corporation members and directors only. Native title holders are not automatically members of the PBC.</p> <p>Regarding disputes, the Registrar can provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>an advisory opinion</b>—a formal letter giving an opinion about the situation in dispute</li> <li><b>advice</b>—by telephone, face-to-face or email to try to quickly fix issues that are not too complex</li> <li><b>conferencing</b>—facilitated informal meetings of parties involved in the dispute; and</li> <li><b>ORIC staff</b> —to attend corporation meetings as observers, to present information or provide advice.</li> </ul>
	<p><b>National Native Title Tribunal (NNTT)</b>            Post determination assistance  <a href="http://www.nntt.gov.au/assistance/pages/Post-Determination-Assistance.aspx">http://www.nntt.gov.au/assistance/pages/Post-Determination-Assistance.aspx</a>  <a href="mailto:PBCassist@nntt.gov.au">PBCassist@nntt.gov.au</a></p>	<p>The NNTT may provide assistance at the request of PBCs or native title holders in relation to native title disputes.</p>

You can contact the NNTT for any further information about the matters discussed in this fact sheet:

- National Native Title Tribunal – GPO Box 9973 in Brisbane, Cairns, Melbourne, Perth and Sydney
- If you need someone to contact you about a PBC matter, email [PBCassist@nntt.gov.au](mailto:PBCassist@nntt.gov.au) and leave your contact details
- Information is also available at [www.nntt.gov.au](http://www.nntt.gov.au)

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