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Wulgurukaba People Report

The Wulgurukaba People report was prepared by research staff of the National Native Title Tribunal to assist in the mediation of the Wulgurukaba People native title applications (QC 98/30 and QC 98/31). It was based on publicly and readily available information relevant to the traditional location of the Wulgurukaba people.

Research Method

The research material reviewed in this report that concerns Wulgurukaba was based largely on a search of the AIATSIS online catalogue, *Mura*, using the key word ‘Wulguru’. This was supplemented by relevant material and further references found in Tindale’s (1974) *Aboriginal Tribes of Australia* listing of ‘Wulgurukaba’.

Additional material concerning Wulgurukaba, or that appeared relevant to Wulgurukaba, was found in the following ‘general’ references and was also reviewed and included in this report:

- Davis, S. 1993, *Australia’s Extant and Imputed Traditional Aboriginal Territories* (map only);
- Donohue, M. 1991, ‘AIATSIS Library Language Names and Community/Established Language Names’;
- O’Grady, Wurm & Hale, 1966, *Aboriginal Languages of Australia: A Preliminary Classification* (map);
- Roth, W.E. 1897, *Ethnological Studies Among the North-West-Central Queensland Aborigines*;
- Tindale, N.B. 1940, ‘Distribution of Australian Aboriginal Tribes: A Field Survey’; and
• Tindale, N. 1976, *Some ecological bases for Australian tribal boundaries*, in N. Peterson ed., Tribes and Boundaries in Australia.

Two further references were identified as relevant to the report and were also reviewed and included. These are:

• Environment Australia… 1999, proposed Nelly Bay Harbour Development, Environment Assessment Report; and

The following ‘filtering’ process was then applied. Of references listed on *Mura* only those listed as part of the ‘print collection’ were followed up, as sound tapes and film would be difficult to process given time and resource constraints. Material on microform and foreign language material was omitted for the same reason.

All (non duplicated) references listed under Tindale (1974) were followed up.
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