## Notice of a non-claimant application for determination of native title in the Northern Territory



National Native Title Tribunal

Notification day: 10 April 2024

A 'non-claimant' application has been made to the Federal Court of Australia (Federal Court) seeking a determination that native title does not exist in the area described below. The Applicant has a non-native title interest in the area, which is set out in their application and summarised below.

Under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (the Act), there can be only one determination of native title for an area. Unless there is a relevant native title claim, as defined in section 24FE, over the area described below on or before **9 July 2024**, the area may be subject to protection under section 24FA and **acts may be done which extinguish or otherwise affect native title**.

A person who claims to hold native title rights and interests in this area may wish to file a native title claimant application or become a party to this non-claimant application. These may be the only opportunities to have those rights and interests taken into account in the Federal Court's determination. Any other person may also wish to become a party.

If you want to become a party to this application, you must file a Form 5 (Notice of Intention to become a Party) with the Federal Court, **on or before 9 July 2024**. Further information regarding how to file a Form 5 is available from <a href="https://www.fedcourt.gov.au">www.fedcourt.gov.au</a>. After **9 July 2024**, you will need to seek leave from the Federal Court to become a party.



Applicant's name: Northern Territory of Australia

Federal Court File No: NTD1/2024

**Non-native title interest:** The Land is vacant Crown land. The applicant seeks protection under s 24FA of the Act to enable the Crown to grant a Crown lease under the *Crown Lands Act 1992* (NT) over the Land to the Power and Water Corporation for the purposes of construction of the Manton Dam Return To Service which includes the Strauss Water Treatment Plant

**Order sought by Applicant:** The applicant seeks a determination that native title does not exist

**Description:** The application area comprises part of Sections 418 and 2929, designated Section 6246(A) in the Hundred of Strangways, Northern Territory, being about 13.3 ha and located approximately 500 metres northwest of the Stuart Highway and Cox Peninsula Road intersection within the locality of Noonamah

Relevant LGA: Litchfield Municipality

For assistance and further information about this application, call Huia McGrath on 08 6317 5442 or visit <a href="https://www.nntt.gov.au">www.nntt.gov.au</a>.