



# Extract from Schedule of Native Title Applications

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**Application Reference:** Federal Court number: NSD1213/2018  
NNTT number: NC2013/005

**Application Name:** Widjabul Wia-bal ECF and Attorney General of New South Wales (Widjabul Wia-bal People)

**Application Type:** Claimant

**Application filed with:** Federal Court of Australia

**Date application filed:** 24/06/2013

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**Current status:** Full Approved Determination - 19/04/2023

**Registration information:** Please refer to the Register of Native Title Claims/National Native Title Register (as appropriate) for registered details of this application.

**Date claim entered on Register of Native Title Claims:** 28/08/2013

**Registration decision status:** Accepted for registration

**Registration history:** Registered from 28/08/2013 to 19/04/2023,

**Date claim / part of claim determined:** 19/04/2023

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## Additional Information

On 19 December 2022, the Federal Court made a determination that native title exists in part of the determination area - see *Widjabul Wia-Bal v Attorney-General of New South Wales (Section 87 Agreement) [2022] FCA 1521*. That determination is attached to this Extract. Order 3 of the determination provides that '[t]he determination of native title takes effect upon the date on which the agreement referred to in paragraph 1 of Schedule Four (agreements) is registered on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements, pursuant to section 199B of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth)'. The agreement referred to in paragraph 1 of Schedule Four (agreements) was registered on the Register of Indigenous Land Use Agreements on 19 April 2023. Therefore the determination has come into effect on 19 April 2023 and has been registered on the National Native Title Register.

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## Persons claiming to hold native title:

The Widjabul Wia-bal are the native title claim group on whose behalf the Applicant makes this application. The native title claim group comprises all the descendants of the following apical ancestors:

Bob de Bobbin (also known as Bob Deruhbin), died 1912 at Lismore,  
Topsy Brown (also known as Topsy Larken), born 1849, died 1919 at Dunoon,  
Johnny Bob (also known as Bob Roberts), born circa 1820,  
William 'Billy' King, born 1878 at Lismore,  
George Williams, born 1870,  
Kitty Barry, born 1841, died 1911 at Blakebrook,  
John 'Jack' Kapeen (also known as John 'Jack' Capeen), born circa 1860.

## Native title rights and interests claimed:

See Attachment E and the affidavits of Murray John Roberts, Reginald King, Jenny Smith, Michael Ryan, Rosslyn Sten, Thelma James Crummy, Ashley Moran and Desmond John Morrissey which are attached to Attachment F and marked 'F(1)', 'F(2)', 'F(3)', 'F(4)', 'F(5)', 'F(6)', 'F(7)' and 'F(8)' for the purpose of Schedule E, F, G and M.

[A copy of Attachment E is attached to this Schedule extract.]

**Application Area:**  
**State/Territory:** New South Wales  
**Brief Location:** Northern Rivers Region of New South Wales  
**Primary RATSIB Area:** New South Wales  
**Approximate size:** 1559.5957 sq km  
(Note: There may be areas within the external boundary of the application that are not claimed.)  
**Does Area Include Sea:** No

## Area covered by the claim (as detailed in the application):

[See attachments; a copy of Schedule B (Identification of Boundaries), Attachment B (Description of the Area) and Attachment C (Map of the Area) is attached to this Schedule extract]

**Attachments:**

1. NC2013\_005 Schedule B - Identification of Boundaries, 3 pages - A4, 12/12/2022
2. NC2013\_005 Attachment B - Description of the Area, 8 pages - A4, 12/12/2022
3. NC2013\_005 Attachment C - Map of the Area, 2 pages - A4, 12/12/2022
4. NC2013\_005 Attachment E - Description of native title rights and interests, 2 pages - A4, 12/12/2022
5. NC2013\_005 NSD1213\_2018 Widjabul Wia-Bal determination, 762 pages - A4, 19/12/2022

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