

# **Extract from the Register of Native Title Claims**

# **Application Information**

Application Reference: Federal Court number: WAD598/2016

NNTT number: WC2016/005

Application name: Rosita Shaw & Ors and State of Western Australia (Boorrool Moorrool)

Registration History: Registered from 9/05/2017

# Register Extract (pursuant to section 186 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth))

Application filed with: Federal Court of Australia

Date application filed: 23/12/2016

Date claim entered on

Register:

09/05/2017

**Additional Information:** 

On 30 November 2020, the Federal Court made a determination that native title exists in parts of the application area – see <u>Shaw on behalf of the Boorroola Moorrool</u> <u>Moorrool Native Title Claim Group v State of Western Australia [2020] FCA 1700</u> (Boorroola Moorrool Moorrool Part A). That determination is attached to this Extract.

Order 2 of the determination provides that '[t]he determination is to take effect immediately upon the making of a determination under s 56(1) or s 57(2) of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) as the case may be' (i.e. determination of a prescribed body corporate).

On 23 December 2020, the Federal Court made further orders which stated the following:

- 1. The orders of the Court made on 30 November 2020 are varied by amending Schedule 1 to:
- (a) delete the words 'the southern boundary of Reserve 1834' and substitute the words 'a southwestern boundary of Reserve 51146':
- (b) delete the words 'Then easterly to the easternmost northeastern corner of the westernmost severance of Pastoral Lease N049743 (Mowanjum), being the easternmost northwestern corner of again Native Title Determination WAD6099/1998 Nyikina Mangala (WCD2014/003)' and substitute the words 'Then easterly along a line joining coordinate points Latitude 17.415268 South, Longitude 123.667955 East and Latitude 17.415267 South, Longitude 123.751288 East to a northwestern corner of Native Title Determination WAD6099/1998 Nyikina Mangala (WCD2014/003);',

so that the orders be now in the form annexed hereto and marked Attachment A - see <u>Shaw on behalf of the Boorroola Moorrool Moorrool Native Title Claim Group v State of Western Australia (No 2) [2020] FCA 1860.</u>

Pursuant to Order 2 of the determination, on 2 August 2021, the Boorroola Moorrool Moorrool Native Title Claim Group nominated the Walalakoo Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC to be the prescribed body corporate and to hold the native title on trust. The

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determination therefore came into effect on 2 August 2021. Pursuant to s 190(4)(e) of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth) the application remains on the Register of Native Title

Claims to the extent that it relates to the undetermined areas.

A map and technical description showing the area of the application that remains to be determined, as interpreted by the National Native Title Tribunal, are attached for information only. These attachments do not form part of the application.

#### **APPLICANT:**

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#### **DESCRIPTION OF THE AREA COVERED BY THE CLAIM:**

Area covered by the Application:

1. The area covered by the application (claim area), is all the parcels of land and waters which are within the area described in Attachment B and shown in the map attached at Attachment C and which are not excluded by paragraph

Areas not covered by the application:

- 2. The following areas are not covered by the application, except where any extinguishment by the acts mentioned is required by sections 47, 47A or 47B of the Native Title Act to be disregarded:
- (a) any area that, when the application is made, is subject to any of the following kinds of acts as they are defined in either the Native Title Act 1993, as amended (where the act in question is attributable to the Commonwealth), or Titles (Validation) and Native Title (Effects of Past Acts) Act 1995 (WA), as amended, (where the act in question is attributable to the State of Western Australia):
- (i) Category A past acts:
- (ii) Category A intermediate period acts;
- (iii) Category B past acts that are wholly inconsistent with the continued existence of any native title rights or interests;
- (iv) Category B intermediate period acts that are wholly inconsistent with the continued existence of any native title rights or interests;
- (b) any area in relation to which a 'relevant act' as that term is defined in section 12I of the Titles (Validation) and Native Title (Effect of Past Acts) Act 1995 (WA) was done and the act is attributable to the State of Western Australia;
- (c) any area in relation to which a previous exclusive possession act under section 12J of the Titles (Validation and Native Title (effect of Past Acts) Act 1995 (WA) was done and that act is attributable to the State of Western Australia;
- (d) any area in relation to which a previous exclusive possession act as defined by section 23B (including section 23B (7)) of the Native Title Act 1993 was done in relations [sic] to the area and the act was attributable to the Commonwealth;
- (e) any area where native title rights and interests have otherwise been wholly extinguished;
- (f) specifically, except for where the non-extinguishment principle as defined in section 238 of the Native Title Act 1993 applies, any area where there has been:
- (i) an unqualified grant of an estate in fee simple;
- (ii) a public work as defined in section 253 of the Native Title Act; or
- (iii) an existing dedicated public road.

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#### PERSONS CLAIMING TO HOLD NATIVE TITLE:

The native title claim group consists of people known as the Nyikina people, being those Aboriginal people whose traditional lands are situated generally in the north west of the Kimberley region in the State of Western Australia.

The individuals who comprise the Nyikina People's Boorroola Moorrool Moorrool native title claim are the descendants of the following Apical Ancestors, including those people adopted in accordance with Nyikina traditional law and custom, see below:

- 1. Nani
- 2. Bundangurra and Mabel Ah Chee
- 3. Jambo, Polly Wurrayin and Charlie Djawali
- 4. Dim
- 5. Gadjigar
- 6. Ngurkwan, Yayika and Minyang
- 7. Lucy Muninga, Edward Yedawarra and Wadadarl mother of Fulgentius Fraser
- 8. Gurupirin
- 9. Kitty Kujaja
- 10. Maggie Nimbanirl
- 11. Kudij and Marrkal
- 12. Kalmoorrd and Jumbang
- 13. Magalanyka and Balkiny
- 14. Bidarn
- 15. Jarji
- 16. Balbarra

A child is adopted in accordance with Nyikina tradition if they are or have been "grown up" by a person who is or was a descendant of one of the Apical Ancestors named above. According to this law and tradition to become a Nyikina person the child must be 2 years of age or under when they first commenced to be "grown up" by a Nyikina person.

#### **REGISTERED NATIVE TITLE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS:**

## The following Native Title Rights & Interests were entered on the Register on 09/05/2017

Native title where traditional rights are wholly recognisable:

- 1. Paragraph 2 applies to every part of the Claim Area:
- (a) where there has been no extinguishment to any extent of native title rights and interests or where any such extinguishment is required to be disregarded pursuant to sections 47, 47A or 47B of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth); and
- (b) which is not subject to the public right to navigate or the public right to fish.
- 2. Where this paragraph applies, the native title rights and interests possessed under traditional laws and customs confer possession, occupation, use and enjoyment of the land and waters as against all others.

Native title where traditional rights are partially recognisable:

- 3. Paragraph 4 applies to every part of the Claim Area to which paragraph 2 does not apply.
- 4. Where this paragraph applies, the customary rights and interests possessed under traditional laws and customs that are able to be and should be recognised by the common law of Australia being the (non-exclusive) rights to:
- (a) have access to, remain on and use the land and waters:
- (b) access and take the resources of the land and waters; and
- (c) protect places, areas and things of traditional significance on the land and waters.
- 5. Each of the native title rights and interests referred to in each of paragraphs 2 and 4 exist in relation to the whole of each part of the Claim Area to which those paragraphs respectively apply and is held by the members of the native title claim group subject to and in accordance with traditional laws and customs.

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### **REGISTER ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. External boundary description, attachment B of the application, 3 pages A4, 23/12/2016
- 2. Map, attachment C of the application, 2 pages A4, 23/12/2016
- 3. Boorroola Moorrool Moorrool Part A determination, 24 pages A4, 30/11/2020
- 4. Boorroola Moorrool Moorrool Part A amended determination, 22 pages A4, 23/12/2020
- 5. Description of Undetermined Area, 2 pages A4, 02/08/2021
- 6. Map of Undetermined Area, 1 page A3, 02/08/2021

Note: The Register of Native Title Claims may, in accordance with section 188 of the Native Title Act 1993 (Cth), contain confidential information that will not appear on the Extract.

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