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Conservation Estate Yamatji Nation Indigenous Land Use Agreement

\$22 M for Conservation Estate

Joint management and vesting

14 Yamatji Rangers

Minesite Rehabilitation Work

What is in the package?

The State Government, through the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), will expend \$22,040,000 over 10 years for the creation and management of the Yamatji Conservation Estate.

Yamatji Conservation Estate

- Includes new and existing Conservation Park and National Park areas and some jointly managed areas.
- » Comprised primarily of ex-pastoral lease, incorporating approximately 470,000 hectares of land.
- » Will be jointly managed by representatives from DBCA and the Regional Corporation, through the Joint Management Body.
- » A management plan will be developed and applied over the whole of the Estate.
- » There will be joint vesting of the new Conservation Park areas, as well as some existing Conservation areas, including Beekeeper's Reserve, Utcha Well Nature Reserve, and Wandana Nature Reserve.

Yamatji Ranger Program

- Includes 14 Ranger and Ranger Supervisor positions. Ten positions will be designated positions under section 50(d) of the Equal Opportunity Act 1984 (Cth).
- » Yamatji Rangers will also undertake activities associated with the rehabilitation of abandoned mine sites within the Agreement area under the management plan.
- » Yamatji Rangers will be employed by DBCA initially and transition to employment by the Regional Corporation after a period of five years, or as agreed.
- » Includes funding for one Joint Management Co-ordinator and one Project Officer.