

## Draft Minutes

<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Fraser Island World Heritage Area (FIWHA) Indigenous Advisory Committee (IAC)</b>		
<b>Meeting Chair:</b>	Malcolm Burns (Co-Chair) and Sandra Page (Co-Chair)		
<b>Date:</b>	22 September 2011	<b>Meeting Opened:</b>	9.30 am
		<b>Meeting Closed:</b>	2.40 pm
<b>Location:</b>	Hervey Bay RSL Boardroom		
<b>Attendees:</b>	<p><b><u>Members</u></b>                      Malcolm Burns (Co-Chair)                      Sandra Page (Co-Chair)                      Glen Miller                      Lillian Burke</p>	<p><b><u>Observers</u></b>                      Ross Belcher (QPWS)                      Angie Stringer QPWS                      Conway Burns (QPWS and Butchulla)                      Jane Ambrose (DSEWPaC) (via teleconference) (9.30am – 9.45am)</p> <p><b><u>Guests</u></b>                      Trischelle Lowry (QPWS)                      Bec Whyte (QPWS)                      Peter Wright (QPWS)                      Simon Gall (Archaeo Cultural Heritage Services)                      Sam Syrmiss (Archaeo Cultural Heritage Services)                      Matt Davies (QPWS)</p>	
<b>Minutes:</b>	Charmaine Savage, Executive Officer, FIWHA (QPWS)		
<b>Apologies</b>	Jan Williams, Dr Ron Neller (CAC Chair), Sandra Brizga (SAC Chair), Kate Doolan, Kelly Mullen (DSEWPaC) (via teleconference)		

No	Issue	Action	Person Responsible	Due Date
<b>1</b>	<b>Open Meeting -Welcome, Apologies, Housekeeping</b>			
	Sandra Page (Co-Chair) opened the meeting. Malcolm Burns gave a Welcome to Country.			
<b>2</b>	<b>Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>			
	<p>The minutes of the previous meeting held on the 4 June 2010 were not discussed as the meeting was held over a year ago and since then new members have been appointed to FIWHA IAC.</p> <p>Exec Officer advised that only one outstanding item from last meeting (other than those issues on the agenda) – the draft K’gari (Fraser Island) Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Induction Handbook. This handbook was drafted by the Exec Officer with input from Simon Gall – and aims to summarise ‘duty of care’ for QPWS staff and contractors to protect Aboriginal sites on the island.</p> <p>FIWHA IAC agreed for Exec Officer to distribute with minutes, for IAC members to review and discuss at next meeting.</p>	<p>Exec Officer to distribute K’gari (Fraser Island) Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Induction Handbook to IAC members with minutes. IAC members to review for discussion at next meeting.</p>	<p>Executive Officer / All IAC members</p>	<p>Distribute report with minutes.</p> <p>Item to be discussed at next agenda.</p>
<b>3</b>	<b>Actions Arising from Previous Minutes</b>			
<b>(a)</b>	<p><b>Systematic Cultural Heritage Assessment of K’gari</b> Simon Gall (Archaeo) discussed the intent for a systematic cultural heritage assessment of K’gari and advised that the logical first approach would be to tie in cultural heritage assessments with the QPWS burn program and to also survey exposed dunes e.g. both offers good visibility of sites.</p> <p>Sam Syrmis provided a presentation of funding opportunities for a range of cultural heritage activities.</p>	<p>Glen Miller with assistance from Exec Officer and Archaeo to investigate process for setting up incorporated entity (for IAC which represents 8 family Butchulla groups) to be able to access grants for cultural heritage projects.</p> <p>Exec Officer to distribute powerpoint presentation on funding opportunities with minutes.</p>	<p>Glen Miller / Exec Officer / Archaeo</p> <p>Exec Officer</p>	<p>Prior to next meeting</p> <p>Distribute with minutes</p>

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		Exec Officer to contact IAC members and collate list of priority projects – with aim to apply for Commonwealth Indigenous Heritage Program funds – (\$250,000 over 3 yrs).	Exec Officer / All IAC members	Grant process opens Nov 2011 and closes Jan 2012.
(b)	<b>Co-Chairs formal appointment by Federal and State Ministers</b> Process is underway. IAC Co-Chairs should receive a formal appointment letter from the State Minister, once the Federal Minister has been advised and endorses the Co-Chairs.			
(c)	<b>Continual review of Butchulla web page</b> Trischelle advised of amendment process for Butchulla webpage.	IAC members to contact Trischelle Lowry or Bec Whyte re amendments to Butchulla web page.	All IAC members	On-going
(d)	<b>GSRMP Review</b> As discussed at Joint Meeting, Great Sandy Region Management Plan now up for review. Earlier this year DERM sent out notice of intent for Plan review. Review of plan is likely to take 2 years. Review currently assessing how well DERM met the commitments outlined in the current Plan.  IAC to review re-drafted Plan early next year. Plan intended to be approved prior to June 2013.	Keep item on agenda.	Exec Officer	2011 / 2013
<b>4</b>	<b>Cultural Heritage Interpretative Signage</b>			
(a)	<b>Pinnacles</b> IAC endorsed signage for Pinnacles. Trischelle Lowry advised that signage production and installation likely to take a couple of months.  Malcolm Burns asked if the words “Butchulla law” could be changed to “Butchulla law / lore”.			

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(b)	<b>Red Canyon</b> IAC endorsed signage for Red Canyon.			
(c)	<b>Indian Head</b> Ross Belcher discussed management issues for Indian Head and acknowledged that the site was of significance to Butchulla. Ross Belcher advised that Capital funding will be sought from State and Federal for next financial year to commence planning / community consultation.  Ruth Thomas has handed over project on Indian Head interpretation signage to Bec Whyte. Bec Whyte advised that she is looking for any information or oral history that could be used to assist in gathering background / interpretation material for Indian Head signage.  Lillian Burke requested background history that has been collated to date (and which was discussed at previous applicant's meeting).  Malcolm Burns raised concerns with providing QPWS with family oral history – when nothing comes back in return to his family. Malcolm advised that his family is not comfortable with providing information.	Keep item on agenda.  Bec Whyte to provide background info collated to date to IAC members.	Exec Officer  Bec Whyte (through Exec Officer)	On-going  Distribute with minutes
(d)	<b>Socio-economic benefits for Traditional Owners</b> During the discussions on Indian Head, wider issues were raised re the socio-economic benefits to the Traditional Owners from the island. The following actions were agreed to initiate progress on this issue: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Incorporate wording in GSRMP Review re possible remuneration to Traditional Owners from permit fees, etc.</li> <li>• Instigate talks with state and federal government re remuneration, lifestyle, access, engagement in management, employment, commercial opportunities and direct</li> </ul>	Incorporate wording in GSRMP Review re possible remuneration to Traditional Owners from permit fees, etc.  Instigate talks with state and federal government re remuneration, lifestyle, access, engagement in management, employment,	GSRMP Review Project Team  FIWHA Management Committee	2012 (Draft Plan)  On-going



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	<p>Participants must be self-sufficient for food.</p> <p>Trischelle asked how QPWS can get better interest / participation rates in youth joining the program.</p> <p>IAC members advised that the issue is that most young people have own families, and need money, and therefore it is difficult to be involved in volunteer projects.</p> <p>IAC recommended to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ask DEEDI for financial funding to help increase participation rates</li> <li>• look at daily commute options</li> <li>• look into opportunities for community service program</li> </ul> <p>Conway Burns asked that Elders encourage youth to apply.</p> <p>It was also agreed that Malcolm Burns look into opportunity for “Murray courts” in the region.</p> <p>Peter Wright advised that QPWS are also looking at opportunities for funding another 6 month program (through funds from flood recovery) – and that depending on funds, this may be paid work.</p>			
<b>6</b>	<b>Indigenous Positions (003) x 2</b>			
	<p>Peter Wright advised that 2 x 003 indigenous ranger positions will be advertised by DERM in the next couple of months.</p> <p>IAC members strongly recommended that a Butchulla person be on the interview panel for the indigenous positions. After discussions, Lillian Burke was endorsed by the IAC to be the Butchulla representative on the interview panel. This was agreed to by QPWS.</p>	<p>Lillian Burke to be Butchulla representative on interview panel for Indigenous Positions.</p>	<p>Ross Belcher</p>	<p>Oct / Nov 2011</p>

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<b>7</b>	<b>TUMRA</b>			
	Peter Wright provided advice on the Port Curtis Coral Coast Traditional Use of Marine Resources Agreement (TUMRA). Peter advised that the TUMRA is intended to be ratified through Commonwealth and State legislation and come into effect 30 Sept 2011. The area of the TUMRA covers the claim boundary of the Port Curtis Coral Coast people. The TUMRA was imitated by the claimants as they had concerns re number of turtle and dugong traditionally hunted within the region.			
<b>8</b>	<b>Traditional Remains</b>			
	IAC discussion held on traditional remains. Due to cultural sensitivities this discussion remains private to Butchulla people.			
<b>9</b>	<b>Other Business</b>			
(a)	<b>Scar Trees</b> IAC discussion held on protection of scar trees. Due to cultural sensitivities this discussion remains private to Butchulla people.			
(b)	<b>Dingo Pup at Gympie</b> Lillian Burke advised that a dingo pup had been running around her local neighbourhood area / and at a workplace site – and that she was concerned for its safety and well being. Peter Wright advised Lillian to contact him so that he could put her in touch with the local wildlife rangers. The wildlife rangers could then look into the matter and investigate if any action needed to be taken.	Lillian Burke to contact Peter Wright re contacts for local wildlife rangers.	Lillian Burke / Peter Wright	ASAP
(c)	<b>Cultural Heritage Artefacts</b> IAC discussion held on cultural heritage artefacts. Due to cultural sensitivities this discussion remains private to Butchulla people.			
(d)	<b>Section 35</b> Malcolm Burns asked what the status is of the Section 35 application submitted under the <i>Nature Conservation Act</i> on	Exec Officer to follow up status of Section 35 application and provide	Exec Officer	Prior to next meeting

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	behalf of the IAC – for undertaking cultural activities at Second Beach, Lake McKenzie.	advice to IAC.		
(e)	<b>Volunteers</b> Malcolm Burns asked why volunteers are not able to wear QPWS uniform. Matt Davies advised that the QPWS uniform identifies a person as an employee of QPWS and an authorised officer who can perform certain Authorities under relevant Parks legislation and that it is illegal to impersonate an authorised officer.			
<b>10</b>	<b>Next Meeting</b>			
	Thursday 12 January 2012			
<b>11</b>	<b>Meeting Close</b>			
	The meeting closed at 2.40pm.			