

ARABANA NATIVE TITLE INFORMATION SESSION

All Arabana People (described below) are invited to attend a Native Title Information Session in relation to BHP activities related to the native title determination SAD 6025/1998 Arabana No 1 area.

DATE: Saturday 27 August 2022
TIME: 9:00am to 4:00pm
PLACE: West Augusta Football Club,
13 Gardiner Avenue, Port Augusta West SA 5700

WHO SHOULD ATTEND THE INFORMATION SESSION?

All Arabana People who self-identify as Arabana and who are recognised as being Arabana by other Arabana People based on:

1. Affiliation, including by adoption from an Arabana parent or grandparent, or
2. Long term co-residence with Arabana People on the Arabana Country; and
3. Who satisfy one or more of the following criteria:
 - (a) Being raised in Arabana Country and being bound by its system of law and custom;
 - (b) Living and behaving appropriately with Arabana People in accordance with Arabana laws and customs;
 - (c) Having knowledge of Arabana Country and its stories and taking appropriate responsibility, under Arabana custom and law, for that knowledge;
 - (d) Having knowledge of Arabana society and the relationships of people within it and seeking to maintain proper relationships amongst Arabana People;
 - (e) Having knowledge of Arabana language;
 - (f) Displaying an active interest and engagement in Arabana affairs.

PURPOSE OF THE INFORMATION SESSION

To be informed of the following matters:

UPDATE FROM NEGOTIATION TEAM AND Q & A WITH BHP

1. To hear a presentation by the Arabana Negotiation Team of the progress and plans for an agreement with BHP over their water use from the Great Artesian Basin and their impact on Arabana lands and to provide feedback to the Negotiation Team.
2. To hear a presentation by BHP and a Q & A session with BHP to ask questions.

NEW BHP M6 PIPELINE HERITAGE AGREEMENT

3. To hear information about a proposed heritage monitoring agreement between BHP and the Arabana Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC involving the replacement of approximately 7km of the M6 pipeline on Arabana Country.

VOTING

Please note, no vote will be taken on the day on the proposed M6 Pipeline heritage monitoring agreement. This is an information session only.

A vote on the proposed M6 Pipeline heritage monitoring agreement by postal ballot will be undertaken after this information session. Postal votes will be posted to all members of the Arabana Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC and registered Arabana Common Law Holders.

If you are an Arabana Common Law Holder, but not registered, you may do so by making an application for membership of the Arabana Aboriginal Corporation RNTBC, or registration as an Arabana Common Law Holder by downloading the forms from www.arabana.com.au or requesting the documents from the Arabana office, (ph 08 8641 1583) and returning the completed form to the Arabana office by post to 48 Flinders Terrace, Port Augusta 5700 or via the email below.

ATTENDANCE BY MS TEAMS

If you are unable to attend in person, you may attend by using Microsoft Teams. If you wish to do this, please contact the Arabana office via the email below and a link will be sent to you.

ASSISTANCE TO ATTEND THE INFORMATION SESSION

Some limited travel and accommodation assistance will be available to members at the information session. For further information on assistance please see the Arabana website.

Please remember to be Covid safe and do not attend if you are unwell or a close contact of someone who is. Masks are mandatory at the information session.

For further information please contact: admin@arabana.com.au

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