

UPDATE

Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

Tuesday 4 May 2010

DECISION TO DECLINE REGISTERED ABORIGINAL PARTY APPLICATION FROM MILDURA ABORIGINAL CORPORATION INC

The Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council has decided not to register Mildura Aboriginal Corporation Inc as a Registered Aboriginal Party (RAP) under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006*.

Mildura had applied for areas in North Western Victoria including Mildura, Ouyen and the Murray Sunset National Park. The Council noted that Mildura had held cultural heritage management responsibilities in the area under previous legislation but decided not to appoint the organisation as a RAP under the current Act.

The Council has established General Principles for RAP Decision Making in which it gives priority consideration to applications made by groups who represent Traditional Owners.

A record of the Council's decision will be published on the Council's website. Visit www.aboriginalaffairs.vic.gov.au and follow the links to Aboriginal cultural heritage / the Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council / applications declined or withdrawn.