

UPDATE

Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

Wednesday 21 November 2007

COUNCIL EXTENDS AREA OVER WHICH BARENGI GADJIN LAND COUNCIL IS A RAP

A recent decision by the Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council extends the area over which the Barengi Gadgin Land Council Aboriginal Corporation is a registered Aboriginal party (RAP).

From 9 November 2007, Barengi Gadgin has cultural heritage responsibilities under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006* over areas located in far Western Victoria as shown on the map below.

Barengi Gadgin is an organisation representing Traditional Owners that holds native title on behalf of the Wotjobaluk, Jaadwa, Jadawadjali, Wergaia and Jupagalk peoples.

The Council gives priority consideration to RAP applications from groups representing the interests of Traditional Owners.

The Council has deferred consideration of other areas of Barengi Gadgin's RAP application so that Barengi Gadgin can hold discussions with neighbouring groups who are also claiming traditional links to the area.

This is consistent with Council's practice of encouraging all RAP applicants to discuss their RAP applications with neighbouring groups.

Date of decision: 9 November 2007

LOCALITY MAP

