

UPDATE

Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council

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DECISION OF THE VICTORIAN ABORIGINAL HERITAGE COUNCIL TO DECLINE REGISTERED ABORIGINAL PARTY APPLICATION FROM MARTANG PTY LTD

At its meeting on 2 February 2012, the Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council (Council) considered the remainder of the application from Martang Pty Ltd (Martang) to be registered as a registered Aboriginal party (RAP).

Matang had applied to the Council to be a RAP for an area in and around the Gariwerd/Grampians National Park and further to the east, including Stawell and Ararat. The application also included a small area east of Mortlake and south of the Hamilton Highway. The areas are shown in the map below as *declined application areas*.

Council considered the information provided by Martang and decided that it was not appropriate to register Martang as a RAP for the area of the application.

The decision to decline Martang's application has no effect on the area for which Martang is a RAP. The area is shown in the map below as *appointed RAP area no change*.

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follow the links to Aboriginal cultural heritage / the Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Council / applications declined or withdrawn.

Date of decision: 2 February 2012

