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### **Consultation & Impact Assessment (IA)** **Essential Criteria**

In accordance with the terms and conditions of the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Land Rights Act 1981 (part 2, nos 6 & 7) and the South Australian Heritage Act 1993 the following information is intended to provide further clarification and clear instruction on the implementation of an *Impact Assessment* (IA) notice. IA notices must meet the relevant criteria **before an IA is to be scheduled**. **IA notices that do not meet relevant criteria will not be scheduled and returned to the Applicant for further information.**

**Incomplete IA notices may result in delays to the implementation of the IA** and may result in delays to the implementation of on-ground development/research activities.

The Applicant seeking to conduct development or other activities within the APY Lands must not commence any on-ground activities/developments without first engaging the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Council to conduct an IA, unless APY has previously conducted an IA or confirmed a prior survey for the same activity in the same area.

Information regarding intention to conduct activities within the APY Lands must be presented at an APY Executive meeting and the relevant community council/s meeting/s. Depending on the initial assessment of the scope of the activities, there may be a requirement for a community meeting with the traditional owners responsible for the area.

If the Applicant wishes to substantially or materially vary the proposed on-ground activity, the Applicant must advise the APY by submitting a variation to the original IA Notice, or a new IA Notice.

Please note the following information is used to plan and manage the Impact Assessment project in the field. This information is assessed by the project team that include traditional owners, anthropologists and/or archaeologists and /or ecologists and APY staff. The IA notice must provide all of the essential criteria below for an IA to be conducted. Please also note information obtained in an IA notice is recognised commercial in confidence and is used for the purpose of conducting Impact Assessments and informing traditional owner groups of development activities occurring on their

lands. Thus the document should include where possible pictures, diagrams, and related maps. The document needs to facilitate clear communication where English is not the first language. This is to ensure an in-depth understanding between participants on which informed decision-making can be based.

## **Essential Criteria part 1**

1. Introduction and brief history of the development/research project.
2. Previous development/research activities conducted in the area.
3. Project plan of the current proposed work program and/or activity that includes detailed information on the:
  - Nature and objectives of the proposed on-ground work program and/or activity;
  - Scope and extent of the proposed program;
  - Time and duration of the proposed program and key milestones including estimation of start and finish dates;
  - Specific detail on the location(s) of the program and/or activities;
  - Specific detail on the access and frequency of access to the program and/or activity;
  - Estimated cost of implementation of the project, and
  - GPS table references for access tracks and boundaries of the work area presented in a format downloadable to a Garmin GPS 60.
4. Researchers, Employees and Contractors likely to be involved in proposed exploration of activity.
5. Proposed location of field camps if required.
6. The techniques, infrastructure, list and brief explanation of major items of equipment to be used.
7. Any water, timber, vegetation, soil (including ochre) or other natural resources proposed to be obtained from the lands.
8. The likely effect of the activity on the environment (including any reports required by relevant state or federal legislation concerning the environmental impact of the proposed activity and/or environmental protection measures which may be required or recommended); and proposals (and/or recommendations of relevant state or federal environmental protection agencies) designed to minimise both the environmental impact and disturbance to the traditional owners of such activity.
9. Details of any other aspect of the activity which will or is likely to have an impact adverse or otherwise upon or cause disturbance to the environment or to the exercise of the rights and responsibilities of the traditional owners; and:
10. Any other information relating to the activity which is requested by the APY Land Council or the traditional owners.
11. Any other relevant information.

## Essential Criteria part 2

We require two maps of different scale:

- A. The first map is for meeting purposes. This map is to be of a scale that shows the proposed work program within, or in relation to, the **relevant Communities** and **main roads/tracks**. AO size maps (841 x 1,189mm) are recommended for meetings.
- B. The second map is to be of a scale that shows the work program in detail for work program on-ground survey purposes (A1 size is recommended).

**BOTH MAPS ARE TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING BEFORE ASSESSMENT CAN BE SCHEDULED:**

- 1. Topographical underlay
- 2. Proposed Work Area boundaries (polygons and/or locations of areas of interest including where relevant:
  - a) Claim boundaries,
  - b) IPA boundaries,
  - c) Pastoral boundaries,
  - d) Tenement boundaries, etc.
- 3. Details of proposed work program to be clearly marked on the map and then referenced in a map legend that clearly describes the above parameters. **The legend needs to facilitate easy cross referencing with the IA document** and is to include all proposed work details such as:
  - a) all access tracks (existing and proposed) clearly highlighted/identified,
  - b) search sites.
  - c) water bores,
  - d) work camp areas, and
  - e) lay down areas, etc.
- 4. Northing and Easting (UTM coordinates, GDA 94) to be provided along the perimeter of map
- 5. An accurate scale
- 6. All GPS references (coordinates) detailing the work program to be provided in Northing and Easting (UTM coordinates, GDA 94) and/or in tables off to the side of map where relevant.

**Please submit an electronic copy of the maps for approval to the *Consultation, Land and Heritage unit*** before sending any hard copies. On approval of the electronic version two copies of the map to be used at meetings and four copies of the map detailing the work program area must be sent to the *Consultation, Land and Heritage unit, APY*.