

Githabul Nation Aboriginal Corporation

OVERVIEW

The Githabul Nation Aboriginal Corporation administers land on behalf of the Githabul people. Their ownership was recognised in the *Githabul People* determination of November 2007.

The determination arose from a native title claim made in 1995. It was negotiated over 12 years until all parties agreed to recognise the Githabul's native title rights, including possession, occupation and use of resources within the determination area. This agreement was later affirmed and approved by the Federal Court.

Commenting on the agreement, Tom Calma, the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Justice Commissioner, stated:

"This is a truly outstanding outcome and testament to the cooperation and goodwill of not only the Githabul People themselves but also the NSW Government ... This is a historic moment for the Githabul People and the entire reconciliation and Indigenous land reform process" (Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission, 2007).

In addition to this determination, the Githabul Nation Aboriginal Corporation can also carry out the functions of a Cultural Heritage Body under the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003* (Qld).

RNTBC PROFILE

NAME OF RNTBC ORIC HYPERLINK	GITHABUL NATION ABORIGINAL CORPORATION
TYPE OF RNTBC ATNS HYPERLINK	AGENT
STATE/TERRITORY	NSW
MAP NNTT HYPERLINK	http://www.nntt.gov.au/Publications-And-Research/Maps-and-Spatial-Reports/Documents/Quarterly%20Maps/Determinations_PBCs_A4.pdf
CONTACT DETAILS ORIC HYPERLINK	C/o NEW SOUTH WALES NATIVE TITLE SERVICES

RNTBC ADMINISTRATION

INDIGENOUS CORPORATION NUMBER	4709
DATE OF INCORPORATION	20/11/2006
CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION ORIC HYPERLINK	http://www.orac.gov.au/document.aspx?concernID=104709
CORPORATION OBJECTS & RULES ORIC HYPERLINK	http://www.orac.gov.au/document.aspx?concernID=104709
LIST & NAMES OF MEMBERS ORIC HYPERLINK	http://www.orac.gov.au/document.aspx?concernID=104709

NATIVE TITLE DETERMINATION INFORMATION

NNTT SHORT NAME NNTT HYPERLINK	THE GITHABUL PEOPLE
CASE LAW AUSTLII HYPERLINK	Trevor Close on behalf of the Githabul People v Minister for Lands [2007] FCA 1847

DATE OF DETERMINATION	29/11/2007
TYPE OF DETERMINATION ATNS HYPERLINK	CONSENT DETERMINATION
DETERMINATION OUTCOME	NATIVE TITLE EXISTS IN THE ENTIRE DETERMINATION AREA
TRIBUNAL FILE NO	NC95/11
FEDERAL COURT FILE NO	NSD6019/1998
NATIVE TITLE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS*	<p>The nature and extent of the rights and interests held by the Githabul People in the Consent Determination Area are the non-exclusive rights to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) access, and camp on, the Consent Determination Area; (ii) fish, hunt and gather animal and plant resources for personal, domestic and non-commercial communal consumption; (iii) take and use water for personal, domestic and non-commercial communal purposes; (iv) access the Consent Determination Area for spiritual purposes and to access sites of spiritual significance in the Consent Determination Area; and (v) protect, by lawful means, places of importance to the Githabul People in the Consent Determination Area from physical harm. <p>The native title rights and interests held by the Githabul People do not confer possession, occupation, use and enjoyment of the Consent Determination Area to the exclusion of all others nor any right to control access or to make decisions concerning the use of the land and waters in the Consent Determination Area.</p>
AREA OF LAND	N/A
GENERAL LOCATION OF DETERMINATION AREA	VARIOUS LOTS IN NATIONAL PARKS, STATE FORESTS AND STOCK ROUTES NEAR WOODENBONG, NEW SOUTH WALES
MAP	N/A
NTRB REGION NTRB HYPERLINK	NEW SOUTH WALES NATIVE TITLE SERVICES

ADDITIONAL ELECTRONIC RESOURCES

Media releases	National Native Title Tribunal, <i>Githabul people's native title recognised in NSW (29/11/2007)</i> http://www.nntt.gov.au/News-and-Communications/Media-Releases/Pages/GithabulPeoplesnativetitlerecognisedinNSW.aspx
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* These native title rights and interests are subject to the laws of the Commonwealth and the State of New South Wales. They may also be subject to particular interests specified in the determination.