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Barapa Barapa Wamba Wemba Water for Country Steering Committee

Expression of Interest Application Form



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The North Central Catchment Management Authority (NCCMA) is seeking Expressions of Interest from Barapa Barapa and Wamba Wemba Traditional Owners to be involved in **the Barapa Barapa Wamba Wemba Water for Country Steering Committee**.

The Barapa Barapa Wamba Wemba Steering Committee's aim is to support the delivery of the Water for Country project. A core objective of this role is to provide opportunities for Traditional Owners to manage water for self-determined purposes.

Main priorities of the Steering Committee are:

- Providing effective decision making which represents the interests of the Barapa Barapa and Wamba Wemba Peoples
- Advocating for Traditional Owner rights through connections to Country and continued cultural practices.
- Guiding the implementation of the Barapa Barapa Wamba Wemba Water for Country project and its annual activities for natural resource management projects on Country

Members should represent the interests of Barapa Barapa and Wamba Wemba men or women in guiding project planning and activities. Members should have the ability to work with existing members; have a commitment to occupational and cultural health and safety; work as part of a team; and commit to attending meetings that drive project outcomes.

Members on the Steering Committee play a key role in providing valuable knowledge to project activities and ensure governance processes are followed.

Appointed members must adhere to the Steering Committee's Terms of Reference. Members will be paid a sitting fee and travel reimbursement, accommodation will be provided, that align with Ministerial Directions.

The tenure of committee membership is 2 years (2022- 2024).

Water for Country Project Steering Committee - Meetings

- The Project Steering Committee will include representatives of Barapa Barapa, Wamba Wemba and North Central CMA staff.
- Steering committee members will be involved in making decisions about the implementation of the Water for Country project, including survey locations, archaeologists, survey participants and community engagement activities.
- Members must be able to represent the interests of Barapa Barapa and/or Wamba Wemba, work together with North Central CMA staff and be committed to the project outcomes.
- The steering committee will comprise 6 Barapa Barapa and 6 Wamba Wemba representatives
- There will be seven meetings held per year. Meetings are held on the third week of every second month. Meeting locations will rotate between Swan Hill (Wamba Wemba Country), Kerang, Swan Hill and Barham (Barapa Barapa Country).
- The steering committee members must not miss more than three consecutive meetings without a prior apology.
- Sitting fees and travel allowance will be paid at standard North Central CMA rates.

Water for Country Project Steering Committee Members - Days on Country

- There will be opportunities for steering committee members to attend days on Country for knowledge sharing and/or on-ground works.
- Cultural Heritage:
 - Members will work closely with an archaeologist, ecologist, and CMA staff.
 - On the job training, such as recording and mapping, water quality monitoring, course certificates (i.e., first aid, chemical use etc) and plant identification training can be provided.
- Environmental Water
 - Opportunity to contribute to Seasonal Watering proposals
 - Opportunity to monitor outcomes of Watering in the forest
- On-Ground Works
 - On-groundwork will most likely be completed over a number of days.
 - Activities include tree planting, pest plant and animal management

What you will bring:

- A moderate level of fitness and ability to work outdoors for up to 8 hours a day will be required. (You will not be expected to attend every day).
- Ability to work in a team, have a willingness to share knowledge and be committed to the project outcomes.
- Demonstrated ability to respect each other and adhere to the Terms of Reference Behaviours and Code of Conduct. (In addition, will need to ensure their behaviours are consistent with North Central CMA and DRAKE OHS policy & procedures)

All successful applicants must be:

- readily contactable.
- available and able (own transport) to attend for the required number of days;

Please complete Expression of Interest (questions below)

Your contact details:

Surname _____ First name _____

Address (postal) _____

Phone (Home) _____ (Mobile) _____

Email _____

Preferred method of Contact _____

Q1: Which Traditional Owner group are you connected to? I wish to be involved in (please circle)

- a) Barapa Barapa b) Wamba Wemba c) both d) other _____

Q2: Are you available to attend two full-day meetings?

***Meetings are held once every two months on weekdays (please circle)**

YES / NO

Q3: Meetings are held over two consecutive days. Which days are you able to attend? (Please circle)

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Q4: Do you have suggestions for engaging young people on Country?

YES / NO

If yes, please provide more information _____

Q5: Do you have a current driver's licence? (Please circle)

YES / NO

Q6: Why are waterways and wetlands important to you?

Q7: What will you bring to the Barapa Barapa Wamba Wemba Steering Committee?

PRIVACY: Please read this information carefully before signing below:

The North Central Catchment Management Authority may use the information collected on this form for the following uses and purposes:

1. Expression of interest information collected in connection with applications for work
2. Information obtained to assist in managing client and business relationships.

We may disclose your personal information for the purpose for which it is primarily held, or for a related secondary purpose. In some cases, we may only disclose information with your consent. For information regarding our compliance with the Privacy Act please ask our staff for a copy of our Privacy Policy.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Applications close **5pm, Friday 17th** March 2023.

Please allow two weeks from the closing date for further advice on your application from the North Central CMA.

Applications must be sent to North Central CMA either by:

- a) Postal: PO Box 18, Huntly 3551
- b) email: info@nccma.vic.gov.au
- c) fax: (03) 5448 7148