

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ACT 2005 (WA)
REMOTE ABORIGINAL COMMUNITIES DIRECTIONS (NO. 3)
VARIATION OF SCHEDULE 1 TO THE DIRECTIONS
(GOOMBARAGIN)

The World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic on 11 March 2020.

On 15 March 2020, the Minister for Emergency Services declared a state of emergency with effect from 12 a.m. on 16 March 2020 in respect of the pandemic caused by COVID-19 pursuant to section 56 of the *Emergency Management Act 2005 (WA)* (**Act**). The state of emergency continues in effect. The state of emergency applies to the State of Western Australia.

On 4 June 2020, I gave the Remote Aboriginal Communities Directions (No. 3) (**Directions**), the purpose of which is to:

- (a) limit the spread of COVID-19 to protect vulnerable Aboriginal people in Remote Aboriginal Communities; and
- (b) facilitate the movements of persons into and out of a **Remote Aboriginal Community** in certain specified circumstances whilst still limiting the spread of COVID-19.

Under the Directions, I may agree to vary Schedule 1 to the Directions so that the Directions do not apply to a particular Remote Aboriginal Community or to a particular part of a Remote Aboriginal Community where I consider it appropriate to do so having regard to the purpose of the Directions. Now I, Christopher John Dawson, Commissioner of Police and State Emergency Coordinator, agree to vary Schedule 1 to the Directions as follows:

CITATION

1. This is the **Variation of Schedule 1 to the Remote Aboriginal Communities Directions (No. 3) (Goombaragin)**.

PREAMBLE

2. The purpose of this variation is to exclude Goombaragin, a community that is a Remote Aboriginal Community listed in Schedule 1 to the Directions, from the operation of the Directions.

COMMENCEMENT AND EFFECT

3. This variation comes into effect when it is made (**start time**).
4. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this variation affects the operation of the Directions immediately before the start time.

VARIATION

5. Schedule 1 to the Directions is varied by removing reference to Goombaragin as a Remote Aboriginal Community.

DEFINITION

6. **Remote Aboriginal Community** has the same meaning that it has in the Directions.



Christopher John Dawson
State Emergency Coordinator and Commissioner of Police

24 July 2020 1531 hours