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## Conservation Estate Yamatji Nation Indigenous Land Use Agreement

# **\$22 M** for Conservation Estate

Joint management and vesting

14 Yamatji Rangers

Minesite Rehabilitation Work

### What is in the package?

The State Government, through the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), will expend \$22,040,000 over 10 years for the creation and management of the Yamatji Conservation Estate.

### Yamatji Conservation Estate

- Includes new and existing Conservation Park and National Park areas and some jointly managed areas.
- » Comprised primarily of ex-pastoral lease, incorporating approximately 470,000 hectares of land.
- » Will be jointly managed by representatives from DBCA and the Regional Corporation, through the Joint Management Body.
- » A management plan will be developed and applied over the whole of the Estate.
- » There will be joint vesting of the new Conservation Park areas, as well as some existing Conservation areas, including Beekeeper's Reserve, Utcha Well Nature Reserve, and Wandana Nature Reserve.

#### Yamatji Ranger Program

- Includes 14 Ranger and Ranger Supervisor positions. Ten positions will be designated positions under section 50(d) of the Equal Opportunity Act 1984 (Cth).
- » Yamatji Rangers will also undertake activities associated with the rehabilitation of abandoned mine sites within the Agreement area under the management plan.
- » Yamatji Rangers will be employed by DBCA initially and transition to employment by the Regional Corporation after a period of five years, or as agreed.
- » Includes funding for one Joint Management Co-ordinator and one Project Officer.