

CONSERVATION & RESTORING RIGHTS Tjiwarl Palyakuwa (Agreement)

Tjiwarl Conservation Estate

Expanded Wanjarri Nature Reserve

New Yeelirrie Lake Mason Reserve

Joint Vesting & Management

of the Tjiwarl Conservation Estate

\$19.5M

For joint management

s.47C NTA

Recognition of exclusive native title within the Tjiwarl Conservation Estate

What is in the Agreement?

The Tjiwarl Palyakuwa (Agreement) provides for the creation of the Tjiwarl Conservation Estate. The State will expend \$19.5 million over 10 years to jointly manage the Tjiwarl Conservation Estate with the Tjiwarl people.

The Agreement also provides for recognition of exclusive native title rights under s.47C of the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) within the Tjiwarl Conservation Estate.

Tjiwarl Conservation Estate

The Agreement provides for the creation of the Tjiwarl Conservation Estate by the expansion of the existing Wanjarri Nature Reserve and the creation of a new Yeelirrie Lake Mason Reserve.

Tjiwarl people will have the opportunity to name (or rename) the reserves within the Tjiwarl Conservation Estate.

The Tjiwarl Conservation Estate will be jointly vested and jointly managed by the Conservation Commission and Tjiwarl AC. An agreed management plan will apply over the Tjiwarl Conservation Estate.

The State will expend \$19.5 million over 10 years to jointly manage the Tjiwarl Conservation Estate, of which no less than \$11.2 million will be spent for the benefit of Tjiwarl. This funding includes funding for field visits, heritage and cultural mapping, the expansion of a ranger base and the creation of opportunities for Tjiwarl people and Tjiwarl businesses.

Restoring Rights to Country

The Agreement provides for the application of s.47C of the *Native Title Act* to restore exclusive native title over the expanded Wanjarri Nature Reserve and recognise exclusive native title over those parts of Yeelirrie Lake Mason Reserve where non-exclusive native title presently exists.