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To whom it may concern,

In accordance with my powers under section 96 of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006* I have made an interim protection declaration for Dyurrite 1 Aboriginal Place.

The interim protection declaration is a temporary measure to ensure this Aboriginal place is adequately protected while Traditional Owners and land managers consider the most appropriate long-term protection mechanisms for this important Aboriginal Place.

Dyurrite 1 is a fallen block from the adjacent outcrop, known as Taylors Rock or Declaration Crag. Numerous Aboriginal rock art motifs have been recorded across several art panels; most of these motifs cannot be observed without the aid of photogrammetry. Additional Aboriginal cultural material is also associated with this place.

I appreciate there is a strong climbing community in the town of Natimuk and that Mount Arapiles is widely regarded as Australia's best rock-climbing area and regularly draws visitors from all over the world.

I also note from my consultations that many in the Victorian climbing community overwhelmingly support the protection of Aboriginal cultural heritage and are keen to further develop their relationships with Traditional Owners.

In view of your interest in this matter, please find enclosed a copy of the interim protection declaration and a map depicting the area to which the interim protection declaration relates.

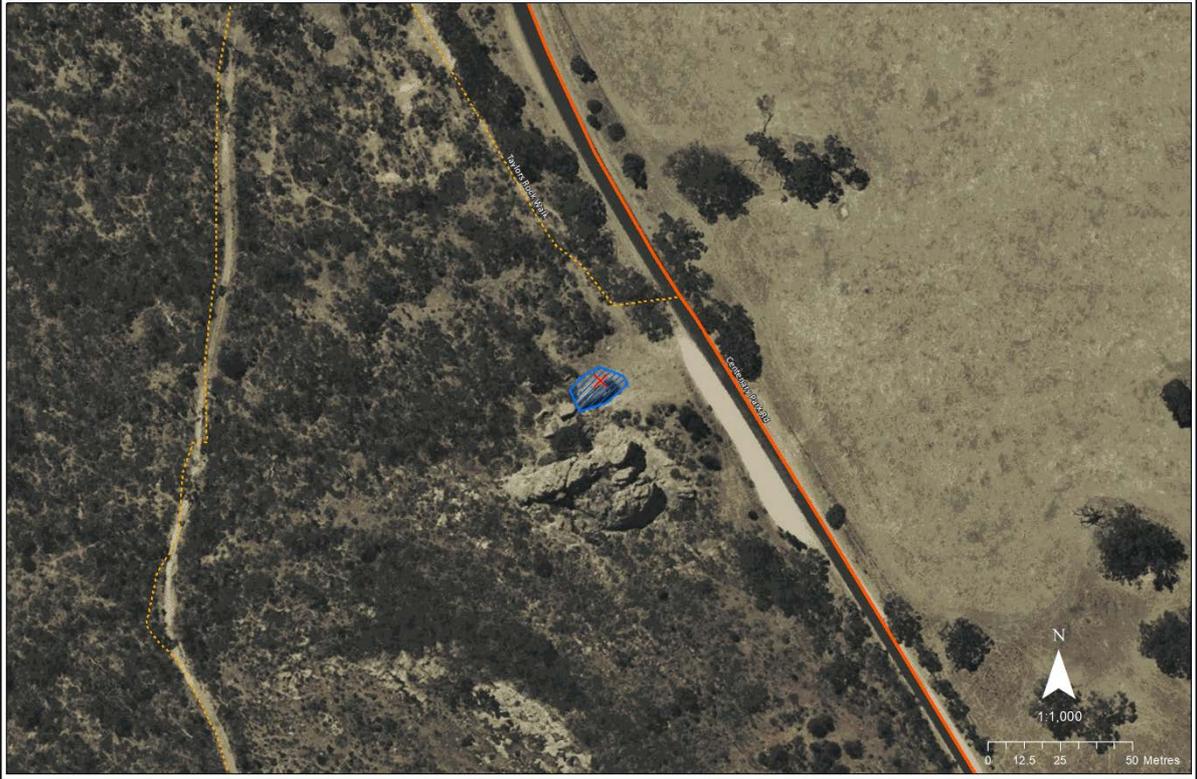
Yours sincerely,

**Gabrielle Williams MP**

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10 June 2020

# Dyurrite 1 Interim Protection Declaration Area



## Approved Form under section 96 of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006*

# Interim Protection Declaration for the purposes of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006*

### SECTION 1 – Identification of Aboriginal place or object

I, Gabrielle Williams MP, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, pursuant to section 96(1) of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006* ('the Act') am satisfied that:

Dyurrite 1, on the west side of Centenary Park Road (GDA 94 Easting co-ordinate 576028, Northing co-ordinate 5930700) located on Crown Allotment 80A, Parish of Arapiles, at Mt Arapiles-Tooan State Park, described as a fallen block from an adjacent rock outcrop encompassing a total area of 183m<sup>2</sup>, and shown on the attached map, Gazettal Plan 3504 (refer to Plan No. LEGL./20-056 lodged in the Central Plan Office for dimensions of the land):

- is an Aboriginal place; and
- it is appropriate having regard to the importance of maintaining the relationship between Aboriginal people and the place, that an interim protection declaration be made in relation to this Aboriginal place.

This Aboriginal place is currently recorded on the Victorian Aboriginal Heritage Register as Aboriginal place number 7224-0263.

### SECTION 2 – Protective measures to be taken

The following measures are required to be taken to protect the Aboriginal place the subject of this declaration:

- The declared area must not be entered by any person unless that person is accompanied by, or is, a representative of the Barengi Gadjin Land Council Aboriginal Corporation.
- None of the specified prohibitions and restrictions shall apply to the extent necessary for:
  - Parks Victoria officers and/or their contractors to carry out park management (including fire protection, water monitoring and weed and pest control) and/or compliance activities in consultation with BGLC;
  - the preservation of Barengi Gadjin cultural property and continuation of Barengi Gadjin cultural practices;
  - Aboriginal cultural heritage protection and management works; and
  - compliance with any State or Federal laws.

Note: Signs are to be erected notifying of the making of the declaration, explaining the significance of the area and setting out the prohibitions and restrictions in the declaration.

### SECTION 3 – Time period of interim protection declaration

This interim protection declaration commences on the date of issue specified below and will expire:

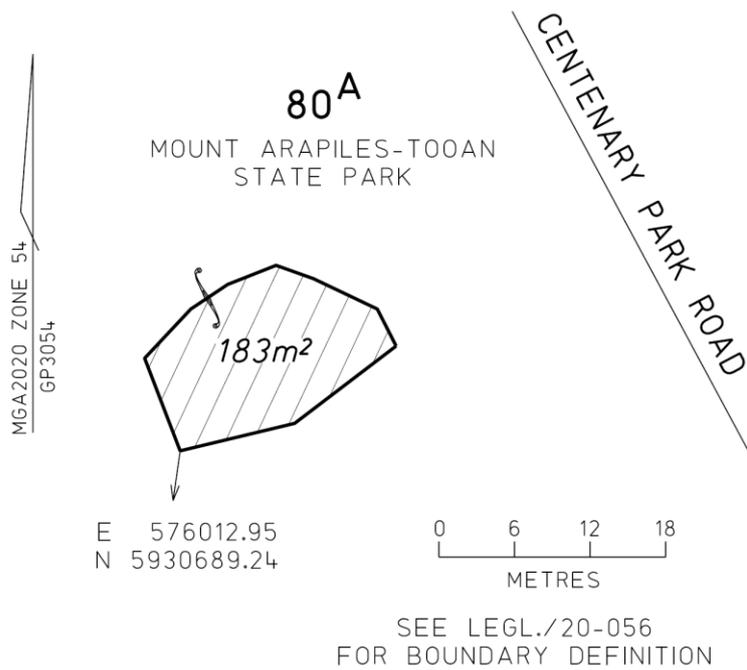
- 3 months after the date of issue, being 18 June 2020

Signed:   
[Minister]

Date of issue: 10 / 06 / 2020

\* It is an indictable offence under section 102 of the Act to do an act or fail to do an act that contravenes this interim protection declaration, where the person knew of the existence of this declaration, or was reckless as to its existence, unless the conduct was necessary because of an emergency.

\*\* Before an interim protection declaration ends, the Minister may extend it once for a further period of up to 3 months on the Minister's own initiative or at the request of the Aboriginal Heritage Council or a registered Aboriginal party for the area to which the Aboriginal place or object the subject of this declaration relates.



**CROWN ALLOTMENT 80A (PART)**  
**PARISH OF ARAPILES**  
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