

STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR DECISION

Work Application under Section 75 of the *Heritage Act 2011* (the Act)

Applicant	Dr Liam Brady – Flinders University
Location	Limmen National Park - Naminjuluwarri Freshwater Fish Trap Complex, Ridgetop Lookout Site & Western Lost City South
Application	Application submitted to the Department of Lands, Planning and Environment 17 March 2025, considered by Heritage Council 1 May 2025
Decision maker	Minister for Lands, Planning and Environment

MATERIAL CONSIDERED

- Application to carry out works within Limmen National Park submitted to the Department of Lands, Planning and Environment (DLPE) on 17 March 2025
- Advice from the Heritage Council received by DLPE on 28 May 2025

THE DECISION

In accordance with Section 75 of the Act, I have decided to approve the works outlined in the Application.

Pursuant to Section 76 of the Act, I have imposed conditions on the work to mitigate impacts to heritage significance and support research outcomes.

The approval is valid until April 2029. Work must be completed by the expiration date, or a revised application submitted.

The approval does not extend to any work beyond the work stipulated in the Application. All new works require a separate application.

CONSIDERATIONS

Section 75 of the Act requires the decision maker to consider:

- the extent to which an application, if approved, would affect the heritage significance of the heritage place (Section 75(1)(a));
- the extent to which the application if refused would affect the reasonable or economic use of the place, or cause a person undue financial hardship (Section 75(1)(b));
- the Heritage Council's advice (Section 75(1)(c));
- if the heritage place or object is, or is in, a sacred site – the advice of the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority (Section 75(1)(d)); and
- other matters relating to the conservation, use and management of the place or object the decision maker considers relevant (Section 75(1)(e)).

STATEMENT OF REASONS

I considered all the matters under Section 75 of the Act. This included the advice of the Heritage Council and a condition related to sacred sites and the Aboriginal Areas Protection Authority.

The proposed work is being done for the purpose of developing knowledge that will lead to targeted and effective long term heritage management strategies. The impact to cultural heritage is controlled within a considered research design and framework. The research is led by established experts from a major institution. The work is being conducted in close collaboration with park authorities and the Marra Traditional Owners.

I have imposed conditions to further document the process and results.



Hon. Joshua Burgoyne

Minister for Lands, Planning and Environment

DATE 20-7-2025
