

Murujuga Rock Art Stakeholder Reference Group

Meeting on 7 May 2019

The Chair, Dr Ron Edwards, and Mr Peter Jeffries (CEO, Murujuga Aboriginal Corporation) welcomed members to the meeting. Mr Mike Rowe, Director General Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) welcomed members to the Department's new offices at Prime House in Joondalup.

Meeting with the Murujuga Aboriginal Corporation (MAC) Board

The Chair provided members with an overview of the meeting with the MAC Board on 10 April 2019. The focus of the meeting was to provide the Board with information on the Murujuga Rock Art Strategy, the Murujuga Rock Art Monitoring Program and the role of the Stakeholder Reference Group.

Updates on proposals currently being assessed under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)* and the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Commonwealth)*

Members received updates from the Environmental Protection Authority and the Australian Government's Department of the Environment and Energy on industrial development proposals currently being assessed under the respective State and Federal legislation.

Key issues discussed by members included:

- the potential cumulative pressures on the Murujuga air shed and the rock art;
- the need for robust scientific information to inform environmental approvals and investment decisions; and
- the importance of ongoing within and between-agency communication and coordination given the number of projects and initiatives currently underway.

Murujuga Rock Art Stakeholder Reference Group Communication and Engagement Implementation Plan

Members discussed the draft Implementation Plan which identifies the Key Messages, Communication Protocols and Communication Activities for the Stakeholder Reference Group. The Implementation Plan will be finalised out-of-session and provided to the Minister for Environment.

Legislative mechanisms to implement a low sulphur fuel region for shipping

Members received a presentation on the legislative mechanisms to implement a low sulphur fuel region for shipping at Murujuga from Dr Lucinda Peters, Principal Policy Officer, DWER.

Key issues discussed by members included:

- the potential timeframes for implementing a low sulphur fuel region; and
- the need for investigations in the potential challenges to shipping in operating in a low sulphur fuel region.