

Subject	Summary	Source	Date	State	Outcome	NNTT Details	Comment
First ILUA for South Australia	The SA Chamber of Mines & Energy has hailed the signing of the state's first ILUA between Stellar Resources and the Antakarinja people as a "triumph of cooperation and goodwill". Aboriginal Legal Rights Movement CEO Parry Agius said that the ILUA system had instilled Indigenous people from SA with a confidence that explorers would abide by the conditions on which they operated on their land.	Australia's Mining Monthly	01-Sep-05	SA	ILUA signed	SI2004/003 CM: Monica Khori Registered 14/06/05	
Disputes have arisen over the boundaries of 2 native title claims in the Ayre Peninsula	The proposed Barngarla claim extends over much of the lower Ayre Peninsula while other neighbouring claims include the Nauo-Barngarla claim to the west and the Kokotha claim to the north. The matter has been referred to the National Native Title Tribunal for mediation. If the tribunal fails to resolve the dispute, the Federal Court would hear the Kokotha-Barngarla overlap case in late 2006 or early 2007 according to Local Government Association barrister Rosemary Craddock.	Port Lincoln Times, pg 6	06-Sep-05	SA	On-going	Barngarla NT Claim SC96/4 SAD6011/98 CM: Greg Jervis Nauo-Barngarla NT Claim SC97/8 SAD6021/98 CM: Greg Jervis Kokotha NT Claim SC99/2 SAD6013/98 CM: Monica Khouri	
Native title claim filed for Wilpinjong site	An application for native title over the Wilpinjong Mine area has been lodged by three people representing the North Eastern area of the Wiradjuri people: William Garry Allen, Martin de Lurney and Lynette Syme. The claim covers approximately 28.5 sq km.	Mudgee Guardian & Gulong Advertiser, pg 2; Mudgee Guardian & Gulong Advertiser pg 3 (13-Sep-05)	06-Sep-05	NSW	Application made for registration of native title claim	NC05/1 NSD1089/05 CM: Nicole Maher	In notification from 21/09 - 20/12/05

Claim boundary dispute in Eyre Peninsula	<p>A dispute has arisen between the Kokotha and Barngarla claimants in relation to an overlap in the north of the lower Eyre peninsula. The matter has been referred to the National Native Title Tribunal for mediation. If an agreed outcome cannot be reached the Federal Court would hear the Kokotha-Barngarla overlap case in late 2006/early 2007.</p>	<p>Port Lincoln Times, pg 6</p>	<p>06-Sep-05</p>	<p>SA</p>	<p>On-going</p>		<p>See row 5 above</p>
Claim call is close	<p>The Department of Lands has completed an investigation into an ALRA claim lodged over 43 lots of the Collina Stage 10 development. "The outcome will be made public once the Minister has made his determination said Department spokesperson John McClymont.</p>	<p>Area News, Griffith, pg 10</p>	<p>07-Sep-05</p>	<p>NSW</p>	<p>On-going</p>		<p>GeoSpatial search over the Griffiths LGA results = 0 This maybe State based.</p>
Ballardong claim in notification	<p>The Ballardong native title claim, which combines a large claim with five smaller claims, takes in an area of approximately 115,000 square kilometres in the Great Southern and Central Wheatbelt regions, underlies part of the Single Noongar Claim. After failing the registration test, the claim has been amended and is back in notification. Any person or organisation with an interest in the claim area has until Nov 23 to respond by applying to the district registrar of the Federal Court.</p>	<p>Koori Mail, pg 68</p>	<p>07-Sep-05</p>	<p>WA</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>WC00/7 WAD6181/98 CM: Steve Edwards</p>	

<p>Ngarlawangga claim in notification</p>	<p>The Ngarlawangga claim covers about 6900 kilometres in the Pilbara region of WA and falls within three pastoral leases and two local government areas. Any person or organisation with an interest in the claim area has until Nov 23 to respond by applying to the district registrar of the Federal Court.</p>	<p>Koori Mail, pg 68</p>	<p>07-Sep-05</p>	<p>WA</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>WC05/3 WAD78/05 CM: Gerry Putland</p>	
<p>Ngarla 2 claim in notification</p>	<p>The Ngarla 2 claim abuts the Ngarla claim which has been registered since 1999 and covers approximately 10,100 square kilometres of land. During negotiations over this claim it became clear that the boundaries of the claim did not adequately describe the claimants understanding of their traditional connection to the area and so the Ngarla 2 claim, which cover approximately 525 square kilometres was lodged. Any person or organisation with an interest in the claim area has until November 9 to respond by applying to the district registrar of the Federal Court.</p>	<p>Koori Mail, pg 69</p>	<p>07-Sep-05</p>	<p>WA</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>WC05/2 WAD77/05 CM: Sharon Reynolds</p>	
<p>Pilki claim in notification</p>	<p>The Pilki claim cover an area of approximately 24,400 square kilometres of land in the Great Victoria Desert. It is close to other claim areas where native title has been found to exist. The claimants are represented by Ngaanyatjarra Council. Any person or organisation with an interest in the claim area has until November 9 to respond by applying to the district registrar of the Federal Court.</p>	<p>Koori Mail, pg 69</p>	<p>07-Sep-05</p>	<p>WA</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>WC02/3 WAD6002/02 CM: Steve Edwards</p>	

<p>Murchison Metals sign native title agreement</p>	<p>A native title agreement reached by Murchison Metals with the Wajarri Elders and the Ngoonooru Wajari People means that the company has no native title restrictions to prevent it from meeting its aim to begin mining at the end of 2005. The TOs were represented by Yamatji Land and Sea Council. The deal provides a range of outcomes for the TOs including compensation, employment and new business opportunities. It includes the establishment of a monitoring committee that will review and support employment and training opportunities.</p>	<p>Koori Mail, pg 71</p>	<p>07-Sep-05</p>	<p>WA</p>	<p>Native Title agreement signed</p>	<p>Refer to details provided in August spreadsheet</p>	
<p>Reconciliation agreement launched</p>	<p>A ground-breaking reconciliation agreement was launched on the 9 Sep 2005. The centrepiece of the agreement is the Kurna Business and Heritage Centre at Noarlunga which provides a range of business services. The agreement acknowledges that the land was taken over by European settlers without consent or agreement and recognises the Kurna people as the traditional owners of the region, evidenced by their native title claim. It includes the statement "We regret the suffering this dispossession has created for Aboriginal people and pledge to work together to counter this".</p>	<p>Times, pg 8; Guardian Messenger, pg 4 (14-Sep-05); Southern Times Messenger, pg 11 (14-Sep-05)</p>	<p>08-Sep-05</p>	<p>SA</p>	<p>Reconciliation agreement launched</p>	<p>Kurna Peoples NT Claim SC00/1 SAD6001/00 CM: Monica Khouri</p>	<p>This agreement may have been made outside the NNTT process advise contacting the CM for clarification</p>

<p>Elder lodges claim to halt Worimi sale</p>	<p>A Worimi elder has lodged a native title claim over land at Worimi to prevent its sale by the Worimi Land Council. "It is a traditional place where women used to go and give birth and do women's business, where men could not go" said Elder, Mr Worimi Dates. Worimi administrator, Peter Hillig defended the voting process saying the meetings were well attended, the ALRA had been complied with and that there was no evidence of impropriety.</p>	<p>Port Steven's Examiner, pg 3</p>	<p>08-Sep-05</p>	<p>NSW</p>	<p>On-going</p>		<p>There has been a recent Non-claimant NTDA filed relating to the Worimi name (NN05/7). But no recent claim, suggest contacting the NSW Registry on Freecall 1800 640 501for clarification</p>
<p>Farmers back moves to improve the native title process</p>	<p>The plan to reform the native title system was welcomed by the Native Title Taskforce established by the National Farmer's Federation. "NFF agrees with the fundamental principles of native title but the current process is too slow, too time-consuming and too costly" said NFF Native Title Taskforce chair Mr John Stewart. "Importantly, NFF seeks to ensure that any amendments...are not detrimental to respondents being able to litigate an outcome if this is seen as essential".</p>	<p>NFF News Release</p>	<p>08-Sep-05</p>	<p>ACT</p>	<p>NA</p>		<p>Native Title Review see above</p>

<p>Support for Native Title review</p>	<p>There is broad support from the Goldfield's region for a review into Australia's native title process. Goldfield's Land and Sea Council executive director, Brian Wyatt welcomed the prospect of a faster, fairer and less costly process, while Mineral's Council Chief Executive Mitchell Hook said that the Government's approach supported their own wish-list. National Farmers Federation Native Title Taskforce chair John Stewart said that rural industry welcomed the recognition by the Attorney-General that there is room for improvement.</p>	<p>Kalgoorlie Miner, pg 10; Queensland Country Life (15-9-05)</p>	<p>10-Sep-05</p>	<p>Federal</p>	<p>On-going</p>		<p>Federal Gov't review of native title suggest looking at AGs website http://www.ag.gov.au/nativetitlesystemreform</p>
<p>Minara hit by second title claim</p>	<p>Another Aboriginal group have mounted a WA Supreme Court action over an alleged agreement relating to its Murrin Murrin nickel mine. The legal action by the Wutha people comes on top of a similar \$20million legal claim lodged in April by the NEIB Aboriginal Corporation in Kalgoorlie. The Wutha people claim that Minara has engaged in a series of breaches of the agreement deed signed in Sep 1996 and that Minara has breached the fiduciary duty owed to consult the Wutha people about mining operations and to consult in good faith about activities on native title land.</p>	<p>West Australian, pg 32</p>	<p>12-Sep-05</p>	<p>WA</p>	<p>On-going</p>	<p>Wutha People NNTT ref: WC99/10 FC ref: WAD6064 of 1998 Case Manager: Paul Willaway</p>	<p>NEIB Corporation incorporated under Native Title Act (NTA) for details refer to ORAC http://www.orac.gov.au/Search.aspx?Search=NEIB&Type=Name</p>

<p>Native Title changes on the agenda: Ruddock</p>	<p>Proposed changes to the Native Title Act focus on making agreements rather than litigation. The Attorney-General has said that "this is not about challenging the fundamental principles of native title, or seeking to wind back native title rights". However, Opposition legal affairs spokeswoman Nicola Roxon claims that the proposals are too vague to allow for input from stakeholders and asks "Is it a coincidence that as soon as this government gains control of the Senate, it wants to revisit native title?"</p>	<p>National Indigenous Times, pg 5</p>	<p>15-Sep-05</p>	<p>Federal</p>	<p>On-going</p>		<p>Native Title Review see above</p>
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<p>Ruddock hosts meeting to discuss Native Title system review</p>	<p>State and Territory representatives met to discuss native title reform in Canberra on the 18 September 2005. "This is the first time that native title ministers across Australia have met to discuss common challenges facing the native title system" Mr Ruddock said.</p>	<p>Warrnambool Standard, pg 13; Northern Territory News, pg 2; AG Dept media release (15-Sep-05); Daily Liberal, pg 4 (19-Sep-05); Illawarra Mercury, pg 10 (17-Sep-05); Adelaide Advertiser, pg 30 (17-Sep-05); Border Mail, pg 16 (17-Sep-05); Daily Telegraph, pg 9 (17-Sep-05); Northern Territory News, pg 12 (17-9-05); Townsville Bulletin, pg 10 (17-Sep-05); Esperance Express, pg 11 (20-Sep-05); Countryman, pg 11 (22-Sep-05); Barrier Daily Truth, pg 11 (17-Sep-05); Koori Mail, pg 3 (21-Sep-05)</p>	<p>16-Sep-05</p>	<p>ACT</p>	<p>Native title ministers meet to discuss reforms</p>		<p>Native Title Review see above</p>
<p>How a 150 year old blanket can help settle a native title claim</p>	<p>State Library Indigenous Service librarian, Ronald Briggs says that records of blanket distributions, which usually recorded the English name, 'native' name, children and place of settlement of recipients, can be used by people researching native title claims to help establish residency in a particular area.</p>	<p>Sydney Morning Herald, pg 14</p>	<p>19-Sep-05</p>	<p>NSW</p>	<p>Records available for native title research</p>		<p>N/A</p>

<p>Govt endorses Indigenous Fishing Principles</p>	<p>Support from the Federal Government represents an important step in the adoption of national benchmarks for practical policies addressing customary fishing interests and Indigenous participation in fisheries-related business and fisheries management. Governments and business made strong commitments to encourage Indigenous participation in fisheries-related businesses.</p>	<p>Koori Mail, pg 82</p>	<p>21-Sep-05</p>	<p>Federal</p>	<p>On-going</p>		<p>Not solely NNTT related, refer to website for useful link http://www.nntt.gov.au/media/Projects.html</p>
<p>Torres Strait negotiating team seek recognition of sea rights as private rights</p>	<p>The TSI Negotiating Team made up of representatives of each of the 14 Torres Strait Islands has been assembled and has instructed their legal representatives to argue for the highest level of native title rights that can be recognised under Australian law. "(We believe that we would be doing our people an injustice by not continuing to fight for our rights in the sea...(although) we are aware that the Australian legal system may not give us the 'full loaf of bread'" says Bully Hayes Saylor, Darnley Island Chairman.</p>	<p>Torres News, pg 15</p>	<p>21-Sep-05</p>	<p>TSI</p>	<p>Sea claim to go ahead</p>		<p>Please refer to August Spreadsheet</p>

<p>Native title negotiations in Broome break down</p>	<p>A year of negotiations between the KLC on behalf of Rubibi claimants and the State Government of WA has been 'wasted' because the State Government officials had no authority to enter into agreements and have resubmitted a settlement rejected by the Tos last year. The KLC said that it had wasted a year of time and money for all parties involved with none of the last years' negotiations feeding into any sort of agreement. Kimberley MLA Carol Martin said that she feels betrayed by her own government "Whenever a spanner goes in the works with native title people assume that it's the Aboriginal people making it difficult, but in the majority of cases it's the government...I'm really angry about this, the whole situation has arisen from a belligerent government not acting in goodwill". With negotiations back to square one, last September's agreement re. the release of land for a housing subdivision and aged care facility may be under threat as well.</p>	<p>Broome Advertiser, pg 1</p>	<p>22-Sep-05</p>	<p>WA</p>	<p>On-going</p>	<p>Rubibi WC99/23 WAD223/02 Rubibi #17 WC04/6 WAD223/04 Case Manager: Sandra Barkla</p>	<p>Possible Future Act May also refer to activity outside NNTT negotiations</p>
<p>Kullili Traditional Owner Group and Santos sign ILUA</p>	<p>The Kullili Traditional Owners Group and Santos Oil and Gas have signed an ILUA over two parcels of land located between Eromanga and Thargomindah in far SW Qld. The ILUA includes employment opportunities for Kullili people in addition to the permanent and casual cultural heritage monitors employed for the duration of the project.</p>	<p>Toowoomba Chronicle, pg 6</p>	<p>24-Sep-05</p>	<p>QLD</p>	<p>ILUA signed</p>		<p>Agreement only - no lodged ILUA for further information please call Cairns Registry Freecall 1800 640 501</p>

<p>GLSC call for funding for successful native title claimants</p>	<p>GLSC have called for the Federal Government to examine support for successful native title claimants, concerned that there is not enough backup to manage land once native title has been recognised. "Once native title is settled there needs to be support for the body corporates which are set up to run them" said GLSC CEO Brian Wyatt.</p>	<p>Kalgoorlie Miner, pg 7</p>	<p>24-Sep-05</p>	<p>WA</p>	<p>On-going</p>		<p>Native Title Review see above</p>
<p>Native title claim halts cycleway work</p>	<p>In a hearing before the Land and Environment Court on 23 Sep 2005 Ballina Shire Council agreed to stop work on a cycleway between Ballina and Lennox Head while an appeal from native title claimants Susan and Douglas Anderson is heard. The Andersons say that the proposed route traverses a massacre site, that they were not adequately consulted by the Shire and that they were excluded from archaeological surveys of the site. The Land and Environment Court will consider the matter in a three-day hearing 9-11 November.</p>	<p>Northern Star, pg 3 Coffs Coast Advocate, pg 6 (27-Sep-05)</p>	<p>26-Sep-05</p>	<p>NSW</p>	<p>On-going</p>		<p>GeoSpatial search over the Ballina LGA results = 2. However the Applicant / Claimant names do not include those listed. Further information may need to be sought from the NSW Registry Freecall 1800 640 501</p>
<p>Dam construction a step closer</p>	<p>SunWater and three traditional owner groups have announced a proposal to enter into an Indigenous Land Use Agreement to allow the construction of a pipeline from the Burdekin Falls Dam water reserves to Moranbah. Advertisements call for people who claim to have native title interests in the area to register their interest by October 5 2005</p>	<p>Northern Miner, pg 3</p>	<p>27-Sep-05</p>	<p>QLD</p>	<p>Future Act notification Burdekin to Moranbah</p>		<p>Will need to refer to notification advertisements - To follow-up</p>

<p>Native title impasse in Broome</p>	<p>Negotiations between the West Australian Government and traditional owners in Broome have broken down after two years of attempts to reach an agreement. Kimberley Land Council executive director Wayne Bergman said :It is a failure of the Gallop Government to engage in good faith" while State Treasurer Eric Ripper said that the KLC were forcing the matter to court.</p>	<p>Australian, pg 6</p>	<p>27-Sep-05</p>	<p>WA</p>	<p>On-going</p>		<p>See row 18 above</p>
<p>Bunurong people claim Port Phillip Bay</p>	<p>The Bunurong people have lawyers drawing up a submission to the National Native Title Tribunal claiming native title over a large part of Port Phillip Bay and its coastline. Bunurong Land Council Corporation spokesman Stephen Compton said "For people like us to have a say about what is happening on the land the only avenue is native title. We are concerned about dredging...and the subdividing of land at Point Nepean".</p>	<p>Herald Sun, pg 11</p>	<p>27-Sep-05</p>	<p>VIC</p>	<p>Native title claim prepared</p>		<p>NTDA does not appear to have been filed as yet - for more information please contact the Vic-Tas Registry on Freecall 1800 640 501</p>
<p>South Australian government considering ILUA</p>	<p>The first SA ILUA with the support of local governments is being considered by the State Government. The Narungga Indigenous Land Use Agreement is being negotiated by councils on the Yorke Peninsula and is to be part of a state-wide template. The negotiations aim to promote the co-operation of government in fishing, mining and agricultural areas affected by the native title agreement.</p>	<p>Adelaide Advertiser, pg 29</p>	<p>28-Sep-05</p>	<p>SA</p>	<p>SA developing agreement template</p>	<p>SI2003/004 CM: Greg Jervis Registered 6/10/05</p>	