



THE AURORA PROJECT

Training and tools to support native title governance development



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2012 PBC pilots

- 2012 two pilot training programs delivered in Cairns and Broome: **‘Understanding and managing native title for PBCs’**



- Each 4-day program divided into two 2-day parts:
Part 1: Understanding future acts and ILUAs for PBCs
Part 2: Managing native title matters:
group consultation and decision-making

The governance part: consultation & decision-making

- **Toni Bauman and Angus Frith**
- **Governance focus:**
 - native title decision making
- **Content:**
 - legal requirements for native title decisions
 - approaches to consultation and decision-making
- **Skills:**
 - core communication skills
- **Hypothetical:** a process for developing consultation & decision-making processes tailored for your group



PBC pilot resources

- Plain English program resources available free online include:
 - Glossary of native title terms
 - Fact sheets
 - Procedural flowcharts
 - Questions to ask your lawyer
 - Checklists
 - Communication tools

Available at
www.AuroraProject.com.au/Native_Title
(click on PBC resources at left)



Feedback from PBC directors about the pilots

“Because of what I learnt from this workshop my whole attitude has changed towards native title and what it means for my people. I have been frustrated and confused but after these days I have a far better understanding and appreciation of [native title] and the role of the PBC.”



“For coming not really knowing what PBC job is really all about, I’ve really learnt a hell of a lot of information that I didn’t know and what was my role. It was very interesting to get to know all the knowledge I picked up.”

Resources needed for PBC governance training

- Recent case study examples
 - success – what's working
 - challenges – lessons learned
- Practical tools for range of work PBCs undertake
 - Templates
 - Checklists
 - Plain English guides to technical information
- Sharing and learning from each other
 - Face to face forums
 - Online
 - How can PBCs best share information about external experts – who to use, who to avoid

Other Aurora support

- Internships
 - At PBCs and other corporations
 - 5-6 weeks
 - Host must provide supervision and work
- The Aspiration Initiative
 - Scholarships website
 - Academic enrichment camps
 - Overseas Study Tour
 - Charlie Perkins Trust
 - scholarships to Oxford and Cambridge Universities
 - Roberta Sykes Foundation
 - bursaries for short executive programs overseas (Harvard etc also Asia Pacific region)