



NATIONAL FIRST PEOPLES GATHERING ON CLIMATE CHANGE

Steering Committee meeting #10 communiqué

9 November 2020

The National First Peoples Gathering on Climate Change (NFPGCC) aims to celebrate, learn from and enhance First Peoples-led climate change action.

The theme of this event is 'Catastrophic extreme weather events: a changing world'.

The tenth meeting of the NFPGCC Steering Committee was held online on 9 November 2020.

Attendees

Steering Committee members in attendance were Bianca McNeair (Chair), Damian Morgan-Bulled, Josh Gilbert, Jamie Graham, Tammy Hunter, Djungan Neal.

Mandy Hopkins, Ro Hill and Marian Sheppard from the Organising Committee were in attendance.

Apologies were received from Djarra Delaney, Jason Wilson, Hilda Mosby, and Samarla Deshong; Organising Committee member Rowie Bullio.

Proposed Host Community Working Group

Organising Committee members Ro Hill, Rowie Bullio meet with Cairns local Steering Committee member Djungan Paul Neal to discuss a Working Group to the on-ground event co-ordination. Cairns Traditional Owners, the Gimuy Walubara Yidinji and Yirrganydji people will be invited to join the Host

Community Working Group to and seek their advice on local protocols and participation in the Gathering. The proposed Host Community Working Group would also include NFPGCC Steering Committee members based in north-east Australia and the Organising Committee to assist with the on-ground event co-ordination. The proposed Host Community Working Group will meet in mid-October to hold further discussions.

Invitation processes

The Steering Committee reviewed the list of participants from the National Indigenous Dialogue on Climate Change and identified some contacts that were out of date or had moved on. The Steering Committee members will each suggest two other contacts to add to the invitee list, plus other contacts identified during the Gathering planning process.

Report back from the Host Community Working Group

The Host Community Working Group met for the first time in late October. The Group will meet regularly to progress planning of local cultural activities.

A potential venue has been identified for the Gathering and exciting opportunities to showcase local First Peoples art, craft and businesses in a marketplace are being investigated.

Consent processes

The Steering Committee reviewed and approved a talent release form. Draft consent material based on the consent form developed at the 2018 National Indigenous Dialogue on Climate Change was also reviewed and will be further considered by Steering Committee members before the next meeting.

Draft agenda

The Steering Committee will form sub-committees to work on sections of the agenda between meetings and report back with a proposal for the relevant section.

Next meeting

The next Steering Committee meeting will be on 30 November 2020, via videoconference.

The National First Peoples Gathering on Climate Change is being supported through the Earth Systems and Climate Change Hub of the Australian Government's National Environmental Science Programme. **For more information contact Mandy Hopkins on 03 9239 4649 or mandy.hopkins@csiro.au**

Artwork: Layers of Country by Keisha Leon. – "Building upon the knowledge and history of the Country, both its people and environment, from land and sea, to work towards creating a sustainable future."



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