STANDING COMMITTEE ON STATE DEVELOPMENT

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NSW STATE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE VISITING NAROOMA ON 26 MAY 2016

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The NSW Upper House State Development Committee is coming to Narooma on Thursday 26 May 2016 to conduct a public hearing for its two current inquiries into economic development in Aboriginal communities and regional planning processes in NSW.

The hearing will take place at the Narooma Golf Club on 1 Ballingalla Street from 10.45 am until 2.00 pm.

'The committee invites you to come and listen to the hearing where NSW Aboriginal Fishing Rights Group, Eurobodalla Shire Council and Shoalhaven City Council are coming to give evidence' said the Hon Greg Pearce, Chair of the State Development Committee.

Mr Pearce continued 'The purpose of the inquiry into economic development in Aboriginal communities is for the committee to develop practical and achievable recommendations to ensure economic development that delivers long-lasting benefits for Aboriginal people and their communities'.

'The purpose of the inquiry into regional planning processes in NSW is to seek ideas that will stimulate regional development and reduce the time and complexity of the planning approval process. The committee is also interested in maintaining community expectations regarding the environment and the economic aspirations of local businesses', Mr Pearce concluded.

The hearing schedule for 26 May is available on the committee's website at www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/statedevelopment. If you are interested in making a written submission to either inquiry, email the committee secretariat at state.development@parliament.nsw.gov.au.

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For further comment please contact the Hon Greg Pearce MLC, Committee Chair, on 9230 2328