



## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

### Koondrook-Perricoota Statement of Significance.

The Koondrook-Perricoota Forest is located between the townships of Barham and Moama and forms part of the second largest River Red Gum Forest in the world.

For thousands of years Aboriginal people from the Barapa Barapa and Yorta Yorta Nations have occupied this area of country. In our modern day society, our people still use this country for cultural practice such as gatherings, hunting story lines and other cultural practise that has, in part, been documented and in other ways passed to our people. Barapa Barapa, Wamba Wamba & Yorta Yorta people have utilised the significant cultural landscape of the Forest as a constant life source and have a deep spiritual connection to country.

This extensive and continued history with the Forest and its' People is evidenced by the large amount of significant cultural heritage still found and protected in the Forest and surrounding areas today.

The area continues to provide a wealth of food and shelter and is an important place for ceremony and meeting of its' People and its' much needed protection ensures the continuity of our stories for generations to come.

Signed

Dated 9.9.2010

Barapa Barapa Representative  
JIG Member

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Dated 10/09/2010

Yorta Yorta Nation Representative  
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