

1 message

Camp Ourimbah

To:

Tue, 9 Nov 2021 at 12:58 pm

Hey Brett,

Here is a copy of the message I sent to you on FB. The harvest plan and map are attached. The part I screenshotted to you is from page 2 of the Harvest Plan. I've also compressed all of their current plans into the file "Forestry Harvest Plans.zip" Give us a shout if you can't extract it, Ursula

My name is Ursula and I am the spokesperson for Camp Ourimbah, a camp that set up in the bush to stop Forestry log in Ourimbah State Forest. I was referred to you by Jake Cassar because I came across some information that might be of interest to you.

There is a cultural site along Middle Ridge Road with axe grooves amongst other things I probably don't know about. It has signs there marking it as a cultural site by Forestry. It is a sandstone plateau and cave.

Forestry plan to log in this area, yet it seems they marked the site on their harvest plans simply as a "OSA-other significant area/non harvest area) with no specified buffer to protect the site from logging (see below screenshots from harvest plans). The harvest plan does not mention this site specifically in the cultural heritage assessment, only that a survery has been done. The site is instead referred at as:

"Middle Ridge Road, south of Dump 6. Total exclusion boundary."

And states; "existing trails and roads can be used for haulage and snigging if they traverse through the exclusion."

Which is pretty alarming considering this means they can traverse through the cultural site if they feel like it. Heartbreakingly there is already previous damage to the site though the grooves themselves seem to be ok. I am not sure what Forestry will use for a reference for workers to log but if they are using this map and harvest plan there is limited information provided. How can a cultural site just be listed as a non harvest area that vehicles can pass through? When there are signs of previous harvesting in the area?

Venturing into the forest yesterday I saw that the trees around this site were all tiny (photo attached). Meaning they were logging right up to the site (logging last occurred in this area 2003).

I've attached a map from their currently approved logging plans. We are confident the site is the pink oblong area along Middle Ridge Road.

This whole this is so mindless and harmful. We have offered them and the public solutions for timber extraction. We have been trying to protect the koala population we believe live in this forest amongst other things. But this is your realm and I thought you would like to know, and know how we can help you.

Ursula.

Brett Aurar

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1 message

Gugiyn Balun

To: Camp Ourimbah

Tue, 9 Nov 2021 at 8:46 pm

Awesome, thanks! Giinagay (Hello)

I will be looking at these and I can see the Aboriginal Community consultation or the Aboriginal Heritage has not been made available to any of the ground if you need anything to help with this please let me know as soon as possible I'm going to Central Coast Thursday meeting at 3am Newcastle i could meet some of your friends and I would really enjoy the opportunity to have some of your knowledge of the can we make a time for you and your team to meet whenever you are all able as I have had a few problems that were similar to the treatment of the aboriginal cultural practices of the ground and with the Aboriginal Community respects its great to meet whenever you need my teams can help with this please let me know?

Kind regards,

Brett Duroux
Chairperson
Gugiyn Balun
Aboriginal Corporation
(This corporation was created specifically for protecting cultural heritage sites)



1 message

Camp Ourimbah To: Gugiyn Balun

Wed, 10 Nov 2021 at 2:15 pm

Hey Brett

thanks for getting back to me. That would be great. I have to work at 5pm on Thursday but can definitely do any time before then. I will see who out of my crew is available and we can go from there. Can meet in the bush (the cultural site is a few kms from the Palmdale entrance up a hill) If you are stretched for time though, we can meet anywhere. Ourimbah's good cause it's near the freeway.

Here is a link to a video I made about these findings. I wanna confirm with you guys first that I am actually correct in what I am saying about omissions of information and if you think it's appropriate I will share this video as an awareness and educational thing for the public.

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Ta, Ursula

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1 message

Gugiyn Balun To: Camp Ourimbah Tue, 18 Jan 2022 at 6:41 pm

To dear Ursula,

This is my letter brief and I would like to add some of your photos and reports too please.

To Whom It May Concern,

Giinagay (hello),

My name is Brett Duroux, Chairperson of Gugiyn Balun Aboriginal Corporation. I have been hired by Renee Sales and her family Darkinung/Darkinoong Traditional Custodians to represent in issues of cultural heritage sites.

Renee Sales a Darkinung Traditional Custodian under direction from elder in her family to follow or/and check on the state of there cultural heritage sites.

As Renee's fathers family were cultural heritage officers and knowledge holders of the local area. As well as founding members of Darkinjung Local Aboriginal Land Council

The Ourimbah Community contacted Miss Renee Sales through Gugiyn Balun Aboriginal Corporation, as myself and Renee run the co-op together in all aspects of cultural heritage, identification, registration, training and inspections.

After reading multiple reports including the harvest report to Central Coast Council.

Recommendations the cultural heritage survey was very disappointing to read for us both as so many gaps and lack of local cultural knowledge. As I've had 35 years of reading and understanding in all aspects of protocol and for proper consultation and services that have been in place by NSW government services.

In saying that concerns of the Traditional Custodians of Ourimbah aswel as local community aswel as the 3 nations of my own lands Gumbaynggirr, Bundjalung and Yaegl where Renee has worked side by side with training, registering sites.

Eg: Worked at section 3A of Pacific Highway upgrade on the Glenugue Massacre sites, which State Forestry and I have worked well towards protecting aswel as handing back land to the Aboriginal people and working with a range of Forestry reps for Eg: Trevor Donnelly, Robyn Bancroft, Dallas Donnelly and many more.

As we had a meeting with University of Newcastle Aboriginal reps and was early, Renee and I were contacted by concerns from community of Ourimbah to get more of a clearer understanding from locals as we are Traditional Custodians in which to inspect the area in mention.

As federal candidate for page for The Indigenous/Aboriginal Party of Australia, I also took oppertunity to introduce our candidate closest to Ourimbah area, Jeffery Lawson to the community.

Date confirmed for a quick inspection was 20th December 2021 after meeting and greeting Renee and our 2 daughters and I, we undertook a long walk along access roads.

To be honest, desecreation of cultural heritage sites is the hardest part of surveying important site's like many I saw from the road we walked along. So many violations and lack of protection, which there is a sign clearly stating there's a State Penalty for desecration to Aboriginal sites but lack of compliance from behalf of the authoritys. Seeing the care and protection of a history impacted yet once again uneducated lack of the spiritual importance of the area.

With all respect a further survey, no a proper survey IS NECESSARY A.S.A.P before more damage is done.

I am also notifying all identifys who the area involved impact access study or surely I have a duty of care to the lands and communitys to report environmental and cultural and historical damage or impact or potential harm to occur. DPIE, EPA, Resource Regulator, Heritage NSW, Environmental board, premier and cabinet ect.

As there is a massive problem with Aboriginal sites getting developed over. ABORIGINAL SITE DESECRATION IS PUNISHABLE OFFENCE IN COURT OF LAW.

As our co-op can train up site awareness a better understanding of how to identify and procedures and protocols for any bush works aswel Traditional Custodians get a chance to train site officers for a productive future in assisting agents aswel conduct cultural education tours, which many council community partnering up working together with Darkinung Traditional Custodians.

As Renee Sales representative. I have been instructed as Chairperson of Gugiyn Balun Aboriginal Corporation the consequences of all identities. I'm intending on a cease and desist order to stop works order as harmful impact will occur on Aboriginal ceremonial grounds aswel as Camp grounds and workshops, aswel protect Environmental ecosystems and more.

I will have contact details below. Please contact me for any inquiries or concerns. Look forward to further contact as a automatic response WILL NOT be accepted as a response.

I am eagerly await your communication as 21 days normal response period in these matters, will be noted upon receipt of this letter.

A lack of response will intend into further legal action.
As this is a legal notice of intent of concern of decreation of highly significance.

I have photos upon request, but look forward to thorough focus groups as there is so many areas of concern, which the list will only grow with lack of response due to high traffic of the area aswell as your proposed plans.

CONTACT DETAILS: EMAIL-MOBILE-[Quoted text hidden]



1 message

Camp Ourimbah To: Gugiyn Balun

Wed, 10 Nov 2021 at 3:45 pm

K sweet yeh no worries. Drops out of service past the funeral house so just give us a bell before then maybe an HR before lol so I can get ready n tell the others if u haven't got a set ETA. I never do.

Mad! Cyu then [Quoted text hidden]



Inquiry into the long term sustainability and future of the timber and forest products industry

1 message

Portfolio Committee 4 < Portfolio Committee 4 @parliament.nsw.gov.au>
To: Gugiyn Balun
Co: Portfolio Committee 4

Tue, 19 Apr 2022 at 3:14 pm

Hi Brett,

Thanks for your time on the phone earlier today.

Portfolio Committee No. 4 would like to invite representatives from the Gugiyn Balun Aboriginal Corporation to give evidence at a hearing for the inquiry into the long term sustainability and future of the timber and forest products industry. Please see proposed details below:

Date: Friday 29 April 2022

Arrival time: 1.30 pm

Appearance time: 2.00 pm - 2.45 pm

Appearing alongside: Githabul Elders (TBC)

Location: TBC, Coffs Harbour

The terms of reference for the inquiry, including a list of committee members, is attached. Further information about the inquiry, including the full hearing schedule (when finalised) can be found on the committee's website.

Could you please advise by 11.00 am, Thursday 21 April if representatives from the Gugiyn Balun Aboriginal Corporation wish to attend (we suggest 1-2 representatives to ensure social distancing). Please fill out the details of the witnesses in the table below.

Witness 1	
Name and prefix	MR BRETT DUROUX
Position title	CHAIRPERSON REPRESENTATIV
Contact number	
Email address	
Wilness briefing (Y/N)	У

Witness 2			
Name and prefix	MS URSULA DA SILVA		
Position title	SPEKESPERSON AND MANAGER OF OURIMBAH (AMP		
Contact number			
Email address			
Witness briefing (Y/N)	Y		

Please note that we offer all witnesses a briefing on hearing procedure. This can be done over the phone and typically takes around 10-15 minutes. Please let us know if you would like a briefing before your appearance.

If you have any questions please contact me on the details below.

Thank you

Lauren Evans

Senior Council Officer | Upper House Committees| Legislative Council

Parliament of New South Wales

Parliament House, Macquarie Street Sydney NSW, 2000 Australia

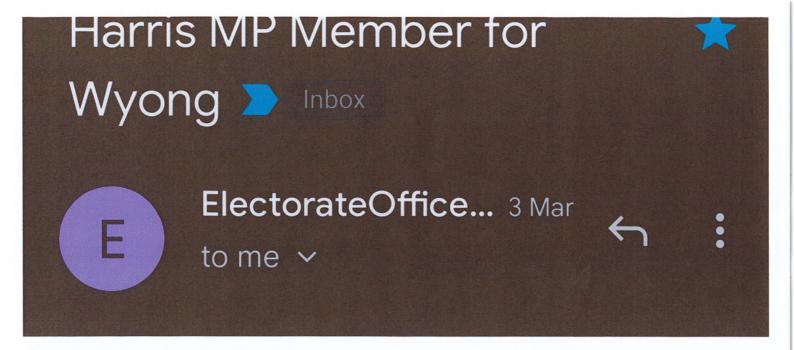
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Good Morning

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Kind regards,

Colleen Michael Senior Electorate Officer

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W: davidharrismp.com.au



I acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and pay my respects to elders both past and present.

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OURIMBAH STATE FOREST - A Letter Of Concern Over Harvest Plan by State Forestry and Representatives

1 message

Jasper Brown
To: gugiynbalun@gmail.com

Wed, 23 Feb 2022 at 2:11 pm

Dear Brett.

Thank you for your email.

As you may be aware, EDO is a community legal centre that offers a legal advisory service in relation to certain public interest environmental issues. We understand from the below email that you have concerns in relation to harvest plans for the Ourimbah State Forest.

We are wanting to clarify whether you are seeking some legal advice in relation to the below issue. As part of our intake process, we kindly ask that new requests for advice are accompanied by a completed intake form (which is attached to this email). This form helps us better understand the issue and the specific questions being asked of EDO. It also helps us with our conflict checking and reporting obligations.

If you are wanting legal advice on a specific issue, would you please complete the form (including details of the specific harvest plan/s, any relevant upcoming dates and any other information that will help us better understand the issue) and send it back to us by way of email. If you have any questions or concerns in relation to completing the form, please feel free to ask and we can assist you.

Please note that we receive a high volume of inquiries and completing the intake form may not necessarily mean that we will be able to assist you with this issue. If we can't advise you, we will do our best to provide you with information and/or refer you to someone who may assist with your concerns.

Thank you again for reaching out. We look forward to hearing from you.

Kind Regards,



Jasper Brown - National Intake Solicitor

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I use he/his pronouns.

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EDO recognises the traditional owners and custodians of the land, seas and rivers of Australia. We pay our respects to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander elders past and present, and aspire to learn from traditional knowledge and customs so that, together, we can protect our environment and cultural heritage through law.

From: Gugiyn Balun

Sent: Monday, 21 February 2022 6:43 PM

To: OEH HD ACHAC Secretariat Mailbox <ACHAC.Secretariat@environment.nsw.gov.au>; OEH HD Heritage Mailbox <HERITAGEMailbox@environment.nsw.gov.au>; OEH NPWS Aboriginal Heritage and Partnerships Mailbox <aboriginalheritageandpartnerships@environment.nsw.gov.au>; EDO Sydney <sydney@edo.org.au>; Fundraising <Fundraising@edo.org.au>; info@fcnsw.com.au; wyong@parliament.nsw.gov.au; emma.mcbride.mp@aph.gov.au; lucy.wicks.mp@aph.gov.au; terrigal@parliament.nsw.gov.au; Gosford@parliament.nsw.gov.au; @parliament.nsw.gov.au; @parliament.nsw.gov.au; @abc.net.au; wiresmedia@icloud.com; @gmail.com; Editorial <editorial@centralcoastnews.net>; ccc@centralcoastnews.net; manager@centralCoastNews.net; editor@peninsula.news; news@newcastleherald.com.au; @austcommunitymedia.com.au

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OURIMBAH STATE FOREST - A Letter Of Concern Over Harvest Plan by State Forestry and Representatives

1 message

Fundraising <Fundraising@edo.org.au>
To: Gugiyn Balun

Tue, 22 Feb 2022 at 8:48 am

Hello and thank you for contacting Environmental Defenders Office.

Your inquiry has been forwarded to the Intake Solicitor who will contact you in regards to your matter, shortly.

While you're waiting to hear from our team you may wish to visit our website https://www.edo.org.au/get-advice/ to learn more about the services EDO can provide and areas of legal work we prioritise.

Supporters Experience Specialist | EDO

From: Gugiyn Balun

Sent: Monday, 21 February 2022 6:43 PM

To: OEH HD ACHAC Secretariat Mailbox <ACHAC.Secretariat@environment.nsw.gov.au>; OEH HD Heritage Mailbox

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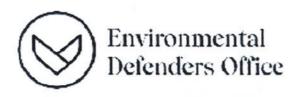
Fundraising <Fundraising@edo.org.au>
To: Gugiyn Balun

Mon, 21 Feb 2022 at 6:41 pm

Hello and thank you for getting in touch with EDO's Supporters Experience Specialist and the fundraising team.

Your email has been received and we will action your request and/or reply as soon as possible.

Many thanks and warm regards,



inquiries@edo.org.au ABN: 72002 880 864

Request for Legal Help

We do our best to review requests for legal help and prioritise urgent matters. However, we have limited resources and cannot always guarantee an immediate response. If you need to take urgent action, you may need to seek independent legal advice.

Our limited resources mean we have assessment criteria to determine what legal services we can provide you.

Contacting EDO and providing a Request for Legal Help form will not establish a client relationship or "client legal privilege".

These details will allow us to determine whether we can provide you with assistance. Other information is collected for our records and statistical purposes. Your personal information is never disclosed to a third party without your express permission.

Please return the completed form to inquiries@edo.org.au

1. The issue What is the location of the Ourimbah State Forest, Ourimbah, NSW development, project, or the issue you're concerned about? Opposing persons or entities, i.e. Name: Forestry Corporation NSW Owner of land - name of owner or developer Address: 121-131 Oratava Avenue, West Pennant Hills, 2125 (Enter all that are relevant) Related parties - are you working with Camp Ourimbah other people or groups on this issue? Relevant Government Department or Central Coast Council, NSW Council Harvest Plan ID: 200001035, HP_OURIMBAH_8_9_2021 **Development/Permit Application No** (if relevant) Harvest Plan ID: 200000647, LLAP_TANK_POINT_2020 Is there a particular deadline relevant The plan to log HP_OURIMBAH_8_9_2021, namely to this issue? compartments OUR008 and OUR009 have been approved, the roads have been graded, pending to log with two days notice. Is there a court proceeding relevant to They sit within the greater LLAP_TANK_POINT_2020 plan. this matter?

2. What help do you want from EDO



inquiries@edo.org.au ABN: 72002 880 864

Briefly outline the environmental problem or concern for which you are seeking assistance: (200 words)

Logging will result in environmental and cultural destruction. Concerns about logging causing fire hazards, erosion and landslides. Forestry Corporation (Forestry) has not engaged with landholders adjacent to the state forest. Forestry has not been transparent with the community. Forestry plan to extract 70% salvage wood from Ourimbah's logging operation. Forestry are denying the existence of a koala in the area. Harvesting this forest is a huge threat to species inhabiting the area such as koalas, native bees, microbats, greater gliders, powerful owls, bent-winged bat, the glossy black cockatoo, the scrub turpentine and the rainforest gullies and creeks in the compartments. There are fears around inadequate protection for the Aboriginal cultural site in the logging compartment, which has already suffered machinery damage and vandalism. Logging operations are a risk to forest users, long term and recreational as two days notice before harvest activities is insufficient.

What is/are your specific legal question(s) for EDO?

How can the EDO can help us in our goal of protecting Ourimbah State Forest from Forestry's native forest logging operations, which are approved and expected to commence.

How can the EDO help turn Ourimbah State Forest into a Koala Conservation Reserve, and/or a historical protected site and/or a relevant conservation area?

How can the EDO end native forest logging in Ourimbah State Forest?

What are you hoping to achieve?

We want the total cessation of native forest logging in Ourimbah by Forestry and for the land to be relegislated into a historic protected site and/or a koala conservation reserve.



	Myself		
Who is making the inquiry?	Group/Organisation		
(select from the following options)	Company		
Your name	Gugiyn Balun Aboriginal Corporation Co-op		
Date of Birth (if individual)			
(Required)			
Address			
(Registered address of group,	Grafton 2460		
residential or postal address of individual)	Signature 2 roo		
	Renee Sales:		
Best contact person & number/s	Brett Duroux:		
	Ursula Da Silva (Camp Ourimbah):		
Best email address			
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organisation	Name: Gugiyn Balun Corporation Is your group incorporated? Yes		
(If relevant)	3,559 mosiparatos		
Spokesperson for group/	Someone else: Brett Duroux		
organisation			
What is your group's main purpose?	Protection of Aboriginal Cultural and the Environment		
Number of members in group	9		

Optional Information about you (This information will help our assessment)			
a. Do you identify as:			
An Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander person?	Yes		
A person with a disability or mental illness?	No		

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LGBTQI+?	No		
Do you speak a language other than English at home?	Yes		

b. Your Financial circumstances:

Are you in receipt of Centrelink benefits, welfare agency support, a pension, or are otherwise financially supported?

Where does your/your group income fit in the following bracket:

Are you or your group otherwise financially unable to seek private legal assistance?

EDO cannot assist you until we know that there would not be a conflict of interest. Accordingly, please do not send information or documents to us that you feel should be treated as a confidence, secret or protected information, until you have received confirmation from EDO that we are able to assist.

We aim to respond within 2-3 business days.