

Council Crown Land Management Newsletter

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Important information about Native title manager notice to Minister for Lands and Forestry

Section 8.8 of the Crown Land Management (CLM) Act 2016 requires each council to give notice to the Minister Lands and Forestry of the name and contact details of any person the council has engaged or employed as a native title manager. The notice must be given as soon as practicable after 30 June (but not later than 31 October) of each year.

Such notices should be straightforward, addressing only the items required under the legislation (ie: the name and contact details of any person the council has engaged or employed as a native title manager). If no native title manager has been engaged by the council, the notification should indicate this.

Councils are reminded that section 377(1)(s) of the Local Government Act 1993 states that the making of an application, or the giving of a notice, to the Governor or Minister is a non-delegable function meaning a resolution of council is required for such purposes.

It is expected that some councils may miss the 31 October deadline. If your council finds itself in this position, please provide the notification to DOI as soon as possible.

Notices should be sent to council.clm@crowland.nsw.gov.au.

Plan of management training webcast now live

A condensed webcast version of the face to face training sessions for council staff delivered by OLG and Department of Industry – Land and Water in August and September 2018 is now available to download from the [OLG Crown Land Resources webpage](#).

The purpose of the training is to inform council staff of the requirements for developing compliant Plans of Management for Crown Reserves. However, the training also emphasises the importance of preparing for the POM process as early as possible, especially by ensuring that councils understand how the initial categorisation process acts as a critical gateway step to developing a POM.

This webcast provides an opportunity for those who missed the face to face sessions to understand the key information provided, but also allows staff who did attend the sessions to revisit the information.

The webcast is divided into two parts which can be viewed or downloaded separately:

1. Recap of transition arrangements (including the classification and initial categorisation process).
2. The PoM development and adoption process.

Where to go for further information

For further information about the impending legislation, including the abovementioned support materials and details of upcoming training and events visit the OLG Crown Land webpage www.olg.nsw.gov.au/crownland.

General enquiries about OLG's Crown Land support project should be directed to 1300 117 784 or by email to councilcrownland@olg.nsw.gov.au.

Further information on the CLM Act generally, including Native title issues and the Land Negotiation Program can be found on the Department of Industry – Lands & Water [website](#).