South Australian approach to native title interest in the sea and its resources
Coopers Creek & River Murray
The Bigger Picture

Users of the fishing resources & coastal resource
Native Title Rights & Interest

Conflict of interests

- commercial (market competitions)
  - recreational
  - legislation & administration
  - environment & conservation
  - sustainability

- Local Government
- Development Act
Native Title Rights & Interest

Developments

Flat Plains
Coast line
Shores
Sea

Individuals

Community

Sandhill’s
Abalone Farms
Blue Crab Fishing Zone

Spencer Gulf

Gulf St Vincent
What are the Aboriginal interest in the coast, the sea, the inland water, reefs, islands
Ancestral beings emerge from and move over the unformed shape it to the beings which inhabit it.

The Dreaming

Land

Territorial Rights

Rituals

Body Paintings

Sacred Objects

Songs

Myths

Languages

Social Control (Law)

Social Organisation

Division of Labour

People

Technology

Hunting and Gathering

Plants

Animals

Spirit Beings

Celestial Bodies

Cave Paintings

Totemic Sites
ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY SHOW CASING THEIR CUSTOMS, LAWS, TRADITIONS
The original group of peak bodies focussed on pastoral estate and mineral exploration over the pastoral estate 2000 - 2003
- Leadership
- strategic planning
- strategic lobbying
- issues
- authorisation
- process development
- ILUA templates
Maintable in action
Balancing of Emotional, Procedural & substance issues

PROCEDURAL ISSUES
How people feel about how things are talked about and dealt with …

EMOTIONAL ISSUES
If people feel the procedures and terms of the negotiation don’t seem fair.

... will influence how people see SUBSTANTIVE issues

SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES
Can people negotiate about things if these questions and feelings aren't sorted out to their satisfaction

... will influence how people see SUBSTANTIVE issues
• Lobbying the Federal & State Government

• Lobbying opinion writers
Promoting the Maintable ILUA 5 year Strategic plan to Minister Ruddock
Signing ceremonies of the Pastoral ILUA for cattle and sheep stations, 4 local government shire, & mineral exploration ILUAs
Cross Cultural Workshop

As part of the ILUA process prior negotiations
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ILUA FISHING NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN

• SA GOVERNMENT
• SAFIC
• NARUNNGGA NATIONS
• LOCAL FISHERS
HOW WAS THE ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY ORGANISED AND WHAT GAVE COMFORT TO THE GOV’T, FISHERS, THAT THEY WERE NEGOTIATING WITH AN AUTHORISED GROUP
EMPOWERMENT, TRADITIONAL REPRESENTATION & DECISION MAKING STRUCTURE
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WHAT IS THE WORKING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN

NTMC GOVERNING COMMITTEE

LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEGOTIATION COMMITTEE

NATIONAL PARKS

FISHING NEGOTIATION COMMITTEE

TRADITIONAL OWNERS
Com’ty info & identify issues
Experts, Education
Negotiation committee(s)

Drafts
Authorise to contents of nego’s
Signing off
Registration of ILUA & process

ILUA certification
Research
Authorisation
Identify traditional owners
Results speak for themselves
Note the ILUA covers the whole of the claim area for Mineral exploration.
Congress of native title management committee’s aspirations

- Recognition
- Past Injustice
- Participation in decision making
- Benefits
- Access
- Protection of important country
South Australian Government Strategic Plan

The Plan consist of following 6 Key points

• Growing prosperity
• Improving Wellbeing
• Attaining Sustainability
• Fostering creativity
• Building communities
• Expanding opportunities

Aboriginal people are no different to fishing Industry. We all strive for the above ingredients to create wealth strategies and enjoy the benefits