



SHIRE OF VICTORIA PLAINS

Update on Mogumber Reserve – Rodeo and Aboriginal Heritage

Residents will recall that in October 2018 an Aboriginal heritage survey was conducted at Mogumber Reserve. The purpose of the survey was to ascertain whether there are any Aboriginal heritage sites on the Reserve that might impact on the proposed permanent rodeo facility and the associated clearing permit.

The draft report of the heritage survey was received by the Shire in early 2019. The Shire provided some comments on minor errors (such as typographical errors) and the report has now been sent to the South West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council (SWALSC) and a representative of the Yued heritage survey participants for their comments.

Once any comments are received from SWALSC and the Yued survey participants, the final report will be provided to the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage so that an official assessment can be made of whether any of the land affected by the proposed permanent rodeo facility and proposed land clearing constitutes an Aboriginal site, within the meaning of the Aboriginal Heritage Act.

The Shire will provide a further community update as the matter progresses.

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