

# GUNAIKURNAI

Traditional Owner Land Management Board

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## Gunaikurnai meetings in Gippsland

Gunaikurnai people will be receiving an information pack their mail over the next week about joint management of parks and reserves, and coincides with the current round of Gunaikurnai meetings across the region.

The pack includes a brief Q&A, a leaflet explaining some of the themes being discussed in planning for joint management, and a summary booklet. Many of the packs also include the “What Our Elders Fought For” DVD, which is also available on [www.gunaikurnai.com](http://www.gunaikurnai.com).

The summary pack will help prompt discussion around the key themes: Caring for Country, Protecting Heritage, Connecting to Country, Pathways to Jobs, Educating the Wider Community and A Voice for the Future. The themes were developed in initial Gunaikurnai community meetings, and were guided by the values of the *Gunaikurnai Whole of Country Plan* (2015).

A series of Gunaikurnai meetings and informal get-togethers on the joint management process is underway across the region, and in Melbourne.

There have been meetings in Orbost and Bairnsdale, and there are more meetings planned over the next month. More details will be available on the Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/gunaikurnaitolmb](http://www.facebook.com/gunaikurnaitolmb).

A team of indigenous consultants, including Gunaikurnai people, is conducting the sessions. Information gathered from the consultation will be used to prepare the draft for the next stage of review.

The Gunaikurnai Traditional Owner Land Management Board (GKTOLMB), has been formed to oversee the process, prepare the draft joint management plan and to assist with its implementation. Chair Grattan Mullett encouraged all Gunaikurnai people to read through the info pack and to give their feedback and their thoughts.

At the end of the Gunaikurnai consultation, the draft plan will be prepared and, once approved by GKTOLMB and the Secretary of DELWP, will be made available for wider community consultation.

Those Gunaikurnai people interested can download the Q&A, Themes Leaflet and the Summary Booklet here and find out more information about consultation events at [www.gunaikurnai.com.au](http://www.gunaikurnai.com.au) or email: [info@gunaikurnai.com.au](mailto:info@gunaikurnai.com.au) or by calling 1800 977 866.



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