

MEET THE TEAM

Gunditjmara Family Engagement Project

Right People for Country Program

The Team

FACILITATOR



Professor Lindon Coombes

Lindon is a descendant of the Yuallaraay people of north west NSW and has over 20 years of experience working across a range of sectors in Aboriginal affairs. He has held senior executive positions in the NSW Government and has been CEO of Aboriginal owned and controlled organisations. Lindon has also been a Senior Advisor for successive Ministers holding the Aboriginal Affairs portfolio in NSW. He has extensive experience in Indigenous policy development and engagement and will bring that experience to this project. Most recently, Lindon was a Director at PwC's Indigenous Consulting (PIC) where he led a number of engagements for government, corporate, and not-for-profit clients.

Lindon is currently Industry Professor of Indigenous Policy at the Jumbunna Institute for Indigenous Education and Research where he is undertaking a range of projects looking at treaty, Indigenous self-determination and provision of policy advice and strategy. He is also Co-Chair of Reconciliation NSW.

RESEARCHER



Alison Whittaker

Alison Whittaker is a Gomeroi poet and legal researcher from the floodplains of Gunnedah in NSW. Between 2017-2018, she was a Fulbright scholar at Harvard Law School, where she was named the Dean's Scholar in Race, Gender and Criminal Law. Her second book, BLAKWORK, was released

with Magabala Books in September 2018.

Alison is a Senior Researcher at the Jumbunna Institute, where she works with Professor Coombes in Indigenous policy-making, governance and treaty, convenes the Blak Letter Law Project, and studies and advocates against state violence on Indigenous people.

Prior to this, Alison worked at UTS:CAIK, UTS:Law, the Gendered Violence Research Network, the Australian Law Reform Commission and received a black&write! fellowship from the State Library of Queensland.

ENGAGEMENT AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT



Lucy De Kretser

Lucy is a project facilitator with the Right People for Country program. She has a background in arts, history and cultural heritage, and a passion

for supporting groups to work well together to achieve their purpose.

Lucy will be working with families to coordinate family meetings and will provide project management oversight of the Gunditjmara Family Engagement Project.

More information or to be involved in a family meeting contact:

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