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WACOSS Expresses Great Disappointment on Noongar Native Title Appeal Decision

WACOSS wishes to express its great disappointment in the overturning of the 2006 Federal Court decision recognising native title over the Perth Metropolitan area, by the Full Federal Court today.

The court has reversed the original finding of Justice Murray Wilcox, who found that Noongar people have maintained their connection over this area.

WACOSS believes that Noongar people have every right to be very disappointed with this new decision.

We acknowledge and support the recognition, on which the original finding was based, that Noongar laws and customs have been continually observed in this area since before 1829 through to the present day.

WACOSS acknowledges Noongar people as the original custodians of this land, and pays respects to their elders, their culture, and continued connection to the land.

The **WACOSS vision** is an inclusive, just and equitable society now and in the future. Justice for Indigenous people is critical to achieving a just society for all Western Australians.

For further comment

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