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# A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

I am proud to introduce the INTREC Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan which outlines our commitment to reconciliation between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and the broader population in Australia. We acknowledge our place in the Australian Construction Industry; albeit as a small participant, and believe we have a responsibility to take a leadership position and contribute towards supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in relation to equal opportunity in our Industry.

INTREC Management Pty Ltd (INTREC) is committed to creating and extending opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and enterprises on our construction projects.

We endorse and actively support the guidelines and participation requirements as outlined in the NSW Government Policy on Aboriginal Participation in Construction February 2015 (APIC Policy).

We have and will continue to achieve these requirements by engaging subcontractors and suppliers who actively display Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation directly on our projects. INTREC is adopting this process on all State Government projects.

In addition, INTREC Management will work with State Government's, agencies and affiliates by committing appropriately qualified personnel to plan, develop, and implement Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation for our portfolio of projects with particular emphasis on regional and remote works.

INTREC is committed to workplace diversity, incorporating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation as a core function in the company's project management processes, and maintaining cultural awareness in the workplace with regard to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Clint Bragg

**Chief Executive Officer** 

"THE FIRST STEP
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DECIDE THAT YOU ARE
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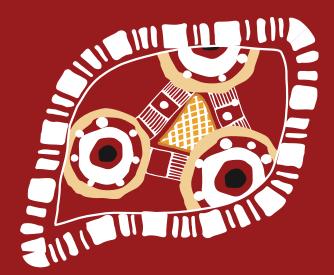
CLINT BRAGG CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



INTREC acknowledges Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the First Australians and the Traditional Custodians of this land.

We pay respect to the Cammeraygal People of the Eora Nation, the Jagera people of Turrbal and the Boon Wurrung and Woiwurrung (Wurundjeri) peoples of the Kulin Nation; of the lands on which our company is located and conducts business and recognise the important roles Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples perform in our business.

This respect is extended to the ancestors and Elders, past, present and future in maintaining their cultural and spiritual relationships to the land, waters and sea and for their rich contribution to society.



# OUR BUSINESS

INTREC is a privately-owned Australian company, specialising in commercial fitout, building refurbishment and construction management. Founded in 1996, INTREC has established a reputation for outstanding service, quality and reliability.

Led by INTREC's original founders Clint Bragg and Thomas Ho, our professional team has extensive experience and are highly motivated and committed to delivering projects to the highest standard possible.

INTREC undertakes projects across Australia's eastern states with a proud history of engaging with local regional communities and regional businesses to build sustainability into the work we win and deliver. Our focus is on developing a thorough understanding of the needs of our clients, delivering value and excellence in every aspect of our service. We firmly believe that diversity enriches our knowledge, capability and experience, and delivers superior solutions to our customers.

INTREC's core market segments and organisations, include:

- Commercial office buildings
- Medical/Health and Aged Care
- Retail Outlets
- Financial & Legal Institutions
- Education Facilities
- Government Agencies
- IT & New Technology
- Retail & Hospitality
- Heritage

INTREC currently employs one staff member that identifies as Aboriginal. Our direct workforce is made up of approximately 180 individuals with diverse backgrounds and skill sets and our subcontract and business partners employ over 2000 trades and project staff across our four offices in New South Wales, Queensland, Victoria and Canberra.



# OUR VALUES

The INTREC values of safety and wellbeing, engagement of our team, achievement, teamwork and commitment are fundamental to the way we operate and are integral to our Reconciliation Action Plan.

Boasting an energetic, positive and unique company culture, INTREC extends our dynamic enthusiasm to our wider community through our Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiatives. For INTREC, Corporate Social Responsibility is so much more than just a responsibility, it is a passion and drive to improve our surroundings, shaping communities and building a better

INTREC are proud to support working alongside
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the
construction industry. We're committed to building genuine
relationships based on trust, respect and a shared goal
of diversity within our industry. INTREC is committed to
creating and extending opportunities for Aboriginal and
Torres Strait Islander peoples and enterprises on our
construction projects.

INTREC is committed to valuing workplace diversity, incorporating participation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as a core function in the company's project management processes, and maintaining cultural awareness in the workplace.

INTREC is a community in which equal opportunity and participation is strongly encouraged. We're committed to fostering an inclusive workplace culture, where our people are valued and respected regardless of gender, age, ethnicity, sexual orientation, physical ability, lifestyle and religious beliefs.

We truly believe that our difference is our people and promote diversity as a catalyst for innovation and creativity.

# OUR VISION



INTREC's vision for reconciliation is a united Australia which values the heritage and cultures of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, celebrates their achievements and their contributions. We share the vision presented in the National Indigenous Reform Agreement (2007), and agree that a long-term, generational commitment is required to support reforms aimed at reconciliation.

Our Vision is communicated through our four-tier approach, breaking down our participation agenda to focus on the eminent areas needed to successfully create a lasting relationship with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples within the Construction Industry; Land, People, Business and Community.

As an organisation INTREC hopes that progress in each of these areas, both separately and as an entity, across all levels of the company, will ensure that the long-term objective of reconciliation is met.

We are committed to working in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, businesses and communities to create sustainable pathways for employment, training and skills development. We want our workplace to reflect the diversity of the communities we work in, and we will play our part to ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have the same opportunity to enjoy a prosperous and safe future as the broader population.

INTREC takes pride in supporting the community and providing significant opportunity to increase the skills and participation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across the fitout industry. We will provide a mechanism for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to actively influence and fully participate across our Government and broader project portfolio.

In particular, we endeavour to recognise the construction industry has a key role to play in broadening opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and increasing employment of First Peoples at INTREC.

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# **OUR RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN**

INTREC's commitment to genuine reconciliation began as a result of frequently encountering the Indigenous Procurement Policy, which is designed to increase participation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in employment and procurement.

We recognised a need to better understand and meet the requirements and purpose of this policy, which is a Federal Government initiative.

Our RAP December 2020-2021 is developed in consultation and collaboration with a number of internal and external stakeholders including Reconciliation Australia, Schools Infrastructure NSW, Transport for New South Wales and Supply Nation.

Our challenges, learnings and achievements to date are;

### **WORK-READY EMPLOYEES**

One of the most significant challenges in the early stages of our RAP implementation is limited access to work-ready Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employees and subcontractors who can move into new roles in regional working environments.

We worked closely with employment service providers to overcome this challenge, and then turned our focus to ensuring opportunities for ongoing development and training. This has resulted in consultation and collaboration with our subcontract partners via Supply Nation member portals such as the 'Member Opportunity Board', 'Spend Tracker' and 'Jump Start' resources.

## COMMITMENT

A strong level of commitment from all levels of our organisation is critical to successfully translating our commitments and strategies into tangible and sustainable outcomes for local communities, people and businesses. Our RAP will focus on maintaining and continuously improving our employees' awareness and ownership of our RAP commitments through activities supported by an organisational-wide implementation strategy, and events which celebrate the richness and diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.

# EMPLOYMENT AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Our RAP includes a strong focus on the creation of sustainable, long- term employment and training opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Our primary resource base and the area where we can make the most difference is that of our subcontractors and suppliers with particular emphasis on Country and regional areas. We will continue to actively seek and maintain relationships with regional communities, regional businesses and advocacy groups to ensure that the work we win and deliver will positively and sustainably benefit regional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities.

Our first RAP focuses on employment and training opportunities, with additional focus on the implementation of sustainable community investment activities and increased opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses to participate in the opportunities associated with our projects.

# **OUR RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN**

### THE INTREC RAP COMMITTEE

- · Clint Bragg Founding Director
- Brendan Forde Managing Director
- Maree Walter Chief Operations Officer
- Steve Torta Queensland State Manager
- David Vaealiki INTREC Wellbeing Ambassador
- Mark Obushak Business Development Manager
- Saphera Fitzsimons National Brand & Submissions Coordinator
- Laura Rooke Submission Coordinator
- Rebecca Forrest Marketing Coordinator
- Amelia Pritchard Recruitment Coordinator
- Sophia Gibby Loughrey Training Coordinator

## **ROLE OF THE RAP COMMITTEE**

The RAP Committee is composed of our RAP Champion Maree Walter (INTREC COO) who oversees strategy and talent management within the company. Maree is a passionate supporter of inclusion and diversity in the workforce and, promoting the company's whole-of-organisation approach to our RAP.

Other INTREC personnel come from a range of positions and seniority across our business. Through the development of our RAP, we will as a next step continue to broaden Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Committee representation and participation through Supply Nation affiliated businesses with a commitment to having an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander representative on the RAP Committee by end 2021.

The Committee established the RAP and acts as the governing body of decision-makers and fundamental influencers, responsible for raising awareness of our commitments to reconciliation, throughout the business.

In addition to raising awareness of our reconciliation commitments, the RAP Committee meets quarterly to discuss the commitments made in the RAP, measures how the business is tracking against our commitments, and evaluates future means of continuous improvement of our RAP objectives and employees' awareness and ownership of those commitments.

#### **RELATIONSHIPS**

Maintaining and enhancing respectful relationships with communities local to our operations creates a strong foundation for mutually beneficial, sustainable opportunities.

We are committed to working in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the communities in which we operate, so that we understand their needs and aspirations and can reflect these in our working relationships. Our RAP Committee will drive internal and external awareness of our RAP and we will provide opportunities for our employees to be involved in events that enhance their understanding and provide opportunities to demonstrate commitment and support for our RAP activities.

#### **RESPECT**

Respect is the cornerstone on which relationships are built and, in turn, opportunities are created.

We remain committed to respecting and acknowledging Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural protocols and ways of working. Our company values are integral to the respect we show the Traditional Custodians on the land upon which we work.

# **OUR RECONCILIATION ACTION PLAN**

#### **OPPORTUNITIES**

Through the provision of long-term, sustainable opportunities for local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, peoples and businesses we strengthen our

relationships with local communities whilst actively demonstrating our commitment to reconciliation.

INTREC is increasingly pursuing work in regional areas in Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland and recognise that our direct and indirect workforce has to reflect the composition of the broader community. The application of our RAP will lead to a mutually beneficial outcome for both INTREC and the regional communities in which we work. Our RAP assists us in ensuring this commitment is fulfilled whilst also creating opportunities for communities and supply chain diversity.

# COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND COMMUNITY INVESTMENT

Community partnerships play a major role in the ability of INTREC to develop and maintain relationships with First Peoples in the places where we work. To date these partnerships have been both formal and informal with a diverse range of organisations and programs and have included artist groups, women's leadership programs, sporting clubs, social groups and cultural awareness events.

Partnerships provide INTREC the opportunity to contribute to positive outcomes in the community with leadership and direction from individuals and groups with deep understanding of local experience. Our community partnerships are intentionally varied, and recognise the knowledge, skill and expertise that community development practitioners provide.

Community partnerships provide context, and support our sense of shared responsibility. We look to support positive outcomes in early childhood, education, health and wellbeing, economic participation, gender equality, governance and leadership and justice.

Community investment takes the form of financial and non-financial commitment to our community partners. By providing resources to community activities and programs, we support self-determination and agency in the communities where we work.

Investment of time, knowledge, physical and financial resources are determined with community partners to achieve optimal pathways to success. Investment decisions take into account both short-term and long term impacts to individuals and groups, their alignment with our core values and the manner in which they address immediate challenges and/or their sustainability over time.































# SUPPLY NATION

INTREC's membership of Supply Nation reinforces our commitment to diversity both within our workforce and procurement processes.

Supply Nation Chief Executive Officer, Ms Laura Berry, said "We are delighted to welcome INTREC into the Supply Nation community and look forward to working with them to develop their supplier diversity footprint. The measure of our collective success will be in the value of transactions between INTREC and Indigenous businesses".

Supply Nation connects its membership to Indigenous suppliers to build a vibrant and prosperous Indigenous business sector by incorporating Indigenous owned businesses into the supply chain of Australian companies and government agencies.

Supply Nation's mission is to facilitate, encourage and promote business between corporate Australia and Government agencies and Indigenous owned businesses.

More information on Supply Nation at

http://www.supplynation.org.au/

# FUTURE WORKFORCE ENGAGEMENT

INTREC conducts a range of future workforce engagement activities which provide opportunities to learn more about our industry, the careers available and educational pathways of entry for students living locally to our operations.

By engaging in future workforce engagement activities, students gain a greater understanding of the careers available locally as well as the qualifications required to gain entry into our industry. These activities allow INTREC and our customers to help grow and develop a skilled local workforce in the areas in closest proximity to our operations.

Future workforce engagement activities include:



Engagement of school-based trainees and apprentices



Work experience placements



Presentations by INTREC employees, including former trainees and apprentices, management, and recruitment representatives to provide students with an insight into the careers available locally within our industry and the educational pathways to pursue these careers



Participation in local 'try a trade' and 'speed careering' events to give students the chance to experience trades in a real life work setting and provide a better understanding of career opportunities available



Structured site tours of our customers' sites where approved and our own operations to provide students with an experiential insight into local career opportunities within the context of the operational environments in which they will be performed



Our team recently heard from Paul Sinclair from Mirri Mirri about the importance of education around the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. Mirri Mirri strive to better connect all Australians with our First Peoples and cultures, within a mutually respectful environment where

The workshop was about developing a better understanding of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and building stronger, more effective relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and communities. Through participating in Mirri Mirri activities, our team explored effective communication and engagement techniques and how to create a culturally safe work environment. The workshop was broken into six sessions:

### **RIPPLE EFFECT**

This section revealed how past policies continue to impact upon Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and culture in areas including health, education, employment, racism and incarceration. Influential Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples were highlighted.

## **CULTURAL SAFETY**

The team gained an increased understanding of the importance of cultural safety in the workplace and in the delivery of programs and policy. Topics discussed include communication, sensitivity, Men's and Women's business, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags.

## A SOPHISTICATED CULTURE

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and kinship structures are increasingly being recognised as amongst the more sophisticated and complex in the world. This section focussed on Indigenous social structure including kinship, family networks, leaders and Elders, plus other areas related areas such as sorry business, connection to country and identity.

#### **TACKLING OUR PERCEPTIONS**

This section explored the influence of external factors, such as media, education and socialisation, and how they impact upon our perceptions of First Peoples.

### **FIRST CONTACT AND RESISTANCE**

Looking through the lens of First Peoples, our team learned about Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander resistance fighters, dispossession from country and the eventual disruption to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander societies. Topics of discussion included Terra Nullius, Protectionist Legislation, Stolen Generations, Australia day, The National Apology, Native Title Act and Indigenous Land Use Agreements.

#### **OPEN DISCUSSION**

This final section allowed for the team to share real life experiences and ask open questions without fear of being culturally insensitive.



# **Partnering Together**

In 2019 INTREC embarked on a partnership with Hymba Yumba, an independent, co-educational school based in Springfield, Queensland with a strong focus on excellence in the Arts and Science.

Speaking the Bidjara Language, Hymba Yumba is a Listening and Learning Place; an innovative education and community building initiative that prides itself in offering jarjums a Prep – Year 12 education grounded in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.

Jarjums build strong and proud Indigenous identities in a nurturing and inspiring learning environment. The contribution of knowledge and wisdom by Elders, families, staff and community is at the core of the education process at Hymba Yumba. Jarjums are actively engaged in education and expected to achieve solid academic outcomes. Their confidence, commitment, self-esteem growth and their pride in Culture drives them forward.

The INTREC team in NSW took on the ultimate rowing machine challenge in early May of 2019 - they collectively rowed 42km to raise funds for Hymba Yumba. Using the funds raised by INTREC, the school was able to purchase special plastic instruments as part of their new Music Programme. These instruments allow students to learn to play a brass instrument (pictured).





# **Working Together**

INTREC are committed to working in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in the communities in which we operate, this includes throughout the entirety of our project lifecycles.

We work closely with our Clients to pay tribute to the Traditional Custodians on the land upon which we work. We gather alongside Local Elders and Reconciliation Groups, to conduct an official Welcome to Country and Smoking Ceremony on our Construction sites. Smoking Ceremonies are an ancient custom among Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples in which native plants are burnt to produce smoke and acknowledge the ancestors and pay respect to the land, waters and sea of country. The smoke is believed to have healing and cleansing properties.

This provides INTREC and our Clients with the chance to raise external awareness and provide opportunities for our Staff, Subcontractors, Consultants, and End Users to increase understanding, value and recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, histories, knowledge and rights through these cultural teachings.

Throughout this process, INTREC aims to promote our vision for a united Australia which values the heritage and cultures of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, celebrates their achievements and their contributions.





# about the art Enlightening our Journey Together

This artwork designed for INTREC by Aboriginal creative agency Ingeous Studios is a contemporary design which represents the commitment to the journey of Reconciliation by INTREC, it's board and staff.

The main element of the design represents a contemporary element inspired by the Waterlily which nurtures prosperity and growth.

This stylised version of a waterlily is symbolic of heart to INTREC's reconciliation journey with First Peoples of Australia which are Land, People, Business and Community.

Each of these key principles tell of the journey that INTREC is taking alongside Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in each of the elements.

The background contemporary design is symbolic of the diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples throughout the Country and the coming together of Australia's First Peoples to work with INTREC to build respect and resilience.



# about the artist **Leigh Harris**

Leigh is a Cairns based Aboriginal business owner and entrepreneur with traditional connections to the Kanolu people of Central Queensland and Gungarri people of South East Queensland who is also proud of his Italian and Welsh heritage. Leigh has been active in the design and digital creatives space for over 20 years and runs Ingeous Studios; a multidisciplinary design studio.

Leigh, with co-collaborator Steven Pelham created Australia's first Aboriginal-developed multi-platform directory tool, which was available on iOS, Andriod and SmartTV's.

As a well know diverse Aboriginal designer and artist Leigh has worked on some of the country's major Aboriginal design projects throughout his career and in 2014 was selected as a finalist in the National Photographic Portrait Awards for his photograph 'Cousins'.

Leigh has been published by Cambridge University for his work in the use of new technologies in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health and social engagement spaces and has been featured in AustralianIT, SmartStartup, CNET and the Financial Review for innovative use of technologies in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander space.

# RELATIONSHIPS

ACTION	DELIVERABLE	TIMELINE	RESPONSIBILITY
Establish and strengthen	Identify Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander stakeholders and organisations within our local area or sphere of influence.	December 2020	State General Managers
mutually beneficial relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander stakeholders and organisations.	<ul> <li>Research best practice and principles that support partnerships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander stakeholders and organisations.</li> </ul>	March 2021	Chief Operations Officer
Promote reconciliation through our sphere of influence.	Communicate our commitment to reconciliation to all staff.	February 2021	Marketing Officers
	Identify external stakeholders that our organisation can engage with on our reconciliation journey.	February 2021	Marketing Officers
	<ul> <li>Identify RAP and other like-minded organisations that we could approach to collaborate with on our reconciliation journey.</li> </ul>	April 2021	Marketing Officers
	Develop and implement a communication strategy to raise awareness amongst all staff across the organisation about our reasons for developing a RAP and our RAP commitments.	February 2021	Marketing Officers
	Develop and implement a plan to engage and inform all of our personnel of our specific RAP actions and any specific responsibility around actions and outcomes in preparation for NRW.	February 2021	Marketing Officers

# RELATIONSHIPS

ACTION	DELIVERABLE	TIMELINE	RESPONSIBILITY
Promote positive race relations through anti- discrimination strategies.	Research best practice and policies in areas of race relations and anti-discrimination.	February 2021	Chief Operations Officer
	Conduct a review of HR policies and procedures to identify existing anti- discrimination provisions, and future needs.	February 2021	Chief Operations Officer
Build relationships through celebrating National Reconciliation Week (NRW).	Circulate Reconciliation Australia's NRW resources and reconciliation materials to our staff.	May 2021	Marketing Officers
	RAP Committee members to participate in an external NRW event.	27 May - 3 June, 2021	Marketing Officers
	Encourage and support staff and senior leaders to participate in at least one external event to recognise and celebrate NRW.	27 May - 3 June, 2021	Marketing Officers

# RESPECT

ACTION	DELIVERABLE	TIMELINE	RESPONSIBILITY
Increase understanding, value and recognition	<ul> <li>Develop a business case for increasing understanding, value and recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, histories, knowledge and rights within our organisation.</li> </ul>	February 2021	Chief Operations Officer
of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, histories, knowledge and rights through cultural learning.	<ul> <li>Conduct a review of cultural learning</li> <li>needs within our organisation.</li> </ul>	February 2021	Chief Operations Officer
Demonstrate respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples by observing cultural protocols.	Develop an understanding of the local Traditional Owners or Custodians of the lands and waters within our organisation's operational area.	April 2021	Marketing Officers
	Increase staff's understanding of the purpose and significance behind cultural protocols, including Acknowledgment of Country and Welcome to Country protocols.	April 2021	Marketing Officers
Build respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and histories by celebrating NAIDOC Week.	Raise awareness and share information amongst our staff about the meaning of NAIDOC Week.	July 2021	Chief Operations Officer
	Introduce our staff to NAIDOC Week by promoting external events in our local area.	July 2021	Marketing Officers
	RAP Committee to participate in an external NAIDOC Week event.	First week in July, 2021	Marketing Officers

# **OPPORTUNITIES**

ACTION	DELIVERABLE	TIMELINE	RESPONSIBILITY
Improve employment outcomes by increasing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander recruitment, retention and professional development.	Develop a business case for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employment within our organisation.	June 2021	Chief Operations Officer
	Build understanding of current Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staffing to inform future employment and professional development opportunities.	June 2021	Chief Operations Officer
Increase Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander supplier diversity to support improved economic and social outcomes.	Develop a business case for procurement from Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander owned businesses.	April 2021	Chief Operations Officer
	Investigate Supply Nation membership.	December 2021	Marketing Officers
	<ul> <li>Identify companies that align with our core business that employ a significant number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and engage with them to explore potential business opportunities.</li> </ul>	February 2021	Marketing Officers

# GOVERNANCE

ACTION	DELIVERABLE	TIMELINE	RESPONSIBILITY
<b>✓</b>	Maintain a RWG to govern RAP implementation.	December 2020	Chief Operations Officer
Establish and maintain an effective RAP Working Group (RWG) to drive governance of the	Draft a Terms of Reference for the RWG.	February 2021	Chief Operations Officer
RAP	Establish Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander representation on the RWG.	September 2021	Chief Operations Officer
Provide appropriate support for effective implementation of RAP commitments.	Define resource needs for RAP implementation.	February 2021	Chief Operations Officer
	Engage senior leaders in the delivery of RAP commitments.	February 2021	Chief Operations Officer
	Define appropriate systems and capability to track, measure and report on RAP commitments.	February 2021	Chief Operations Officer
Build accountability and transparency	Complete and submit the annual RAP Impact Measurement Questionnaire to Reconciliation Australia.	30 September, 2021	Chief Operations Officer
through reporting RAP achievements, challenges and learnings both internally and externally.	Register via Reconciliation Australia's website to begin developing our next RAP.	September 2021	Chief Operations Officer

# ABORIGINAL PARTICIPATION IN CONSTRUCTION (APIC) TARGETS

Our Aboriginal Participation in Construction (APIC) targets for each project are structured according to the three broad pillars of reconciliation:



# RELATIONSHIPS

Encourage and foster meaningful, long term relationships with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community. Long term relationships lie at the heart of who we are and have been for over half a century. By working closely with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people we can better understand the barriers



# **RESPECT**

Respect the customs and practices of Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander peoples and their communities.



# **OPPORTUNITIES**

Grow sustainable employment and participation opportunities for local Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander peoples. We recognise the important role employment plays in boosting self esteem, economic security and overall health and wellbeing for First Australians, their families and wider communities.

# **APIC TARGET TABLE**

ACTION	DELIVERABLE	TIMELINE	RESPONSIBILITY
/	Review Supply Nation subcontractors and suppliers	1 Week	Procurement / Contracts Manager
Subcontractor/ Supplier Engagement	<ul> <li>Interview potential Suppy Nation subcontractors and suppliers to determine suitability for the Project.</li> </ul>	1 Week	Project Manger / Contracts Administrator
<b>√</b>	Staff training on site through 'Mirri Mirri' Cultural Awareness Training company.	1 Week	Project Manger / Contracts Administrator
Training	<ul> <li>Cultural Awareness Training to be completed through INTREC's online learning platform, "Litmos".</li> </ul>	Ongoing	Operations Manager
$\checkmark$	Engage career trackers (or similar)	Ongoing	Operations Manager / State Manager
Employment	Advertise available staff positions throughout the local community	Ongoing	Operations Manager
Community Engagement	Corporate Social Responsibility initiatives such as donating time and/or money to the local School Breakfast Program, PCYC initiatives and Community Shelters	Ongoing	Operations Manager
	Ho Id a barbecue with Project Team, subcontractors, client and stakeholders which is open to the community. This provides an informal opportunity for community members to ask questions and for the Project Team to receive feedback.	Ongoing	Construction Manager / State Manager
$\checkmark$	Smoking Ceremony at the completion of the Project.	Ongoing	Construction Manager / State Manager
Project/Client Engagement	<ul> <li>Cultural acknowlegement on the Project in the form of a Welcome to Country at an opening or ceremonial event.</li> </ul>	1 Week	Project Manger / Contracts Administrator
	<ul> <li>Commissioning of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander artwork for the Project space or as a client gift.</li> </ul>	1 Week	Project Manger / Contracts Administrator
	Cultural acknowledgement on the Project in the form of using or planting native flora.	1 Week	Project Manger / Contracts Administrator

# **Aboriginal Procurement Policy**





#### **Aboriginal Procurement Policy**

Through the application of our Aboriginal Procurement Policy, we will demonstrate our commitment to do the right thing for our clients, our people, and our communities. We will strive for inclusion across every function, including sourcing and procurement.

#### **INTREC Commitment**

INTREC recognises the many skills Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities bring to our industry and Australia's workforce, and the long-term cultural connection to land, water, and community they can bring aligns with our work of delivering great places to live, work and play. Via our Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) INTREC is committed to fostering a more inclusive, diverse, and accepting culture by building relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and businesses within and outside INTREC, raising awareness around issues impacting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, and developing opportunities for working with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities and businesses.

A strong level of commitment from all levels of our organisation is critical to successfully translating our commitments and strategies into tangible and sustainable outcomes for local communities, people and businesses.

In striving for Excellence in Enterprise we seek to maximise access to opportunities for local and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses on our projects. We recognise that the procurement practices implemented by our Company and our contractors provide significant opportunity to make a positive and sustainable economic impact on the local and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in which we work.

#### INTREC and our Subcontract Partners

INTREC and subcontractors will include:

- 1. Contract clauses to reference Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses where applicable
- 2. Contract Evaluation Criteria weight in favor of local and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander businesses where applicable
- 3. Procurement staff provided with relevant Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation training and materials
- 4. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander contractors required to nominate a responsible person to liaise
- Analysis of local and existing services that are able to support Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Business capability development
- 6. Identification of non-construction supply opportunities
- $7. \quad Identification \ of \ construction \ project \ specific \ procurement \ opportunities \ across \ the \ supply \ chain$
- 8. Data gathering of local sub-contractor capabilities for each project to match to opportunities
- 9. Community liaison to identify local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander protocols 10. Monthly Aboriginal Participation Report on relevant projects
- 11. Database of Aggregate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander supplier spend recorded for Executive reporting
- 12. Ongoing awareness training in accordance with our RAP Action Plan to ensure that we acknowledge local communities and traditional owners in the projects we undertake

Through this policy, success in this domain will be predicted by:

- 1. Forming productive and trusting relationships with our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander suppliers,
- Support to ensure that their businesses are able to work with us in a commercially, technically and economically competitive manner.

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In accordance with our commitment to the highest standards, we also expect our suppliers and subcontractors to aspire to the same standards in their business operations, including but not limited to:

#### Environment:

- Comply and adhere to all Australian and state-based environmental laws
- Take an industry leadership position to build skills and capability in the delivery of projects which reduce greenhouse gas and other harmful emissions with a particular emphasis on renewable energy in commercial building
- Undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility such as:
  - Responsible waste management and disposal
  - Conservation of non-renewable natural resources

#### Labour and Human Rights:

- Comply with all applicable laws
- Prohibit unlawful discrimination and harassment to provide a safe and inclusive work environment
- Recognise and promote the use of regional subcontractors and businesses which will provide sustainable commercial
  and social outcomes for regional communities in New South Wales, Victoria and Queensland

#### **Business Ethics:**

- Obey all relevant Australian and state-based laws regarding ethical business practices
- Communicate, discuss and comply with INTREC Policies and Procedures
- Demonstrate existence of procedures to prevent:
  - Fraud, bribery, corruption
  - Conflicts of interest
  - Data security issues

#### Community Development:

- Partner with the local governments and communities to improve the education, cultural, economic, and social wellbeing of communities in which we operate
- Recognise the diversity and breadth of stakeholders in the work we undertake and understand the positive and mutual benefit which will be derived from engaging with these stakeholders in our tendering and procurement strategies.

We understand that procurement performance improvement is a continuous process and recognise the contribution of our suppliers and subcontractors in our journey to become more sustainable.

Director - Clint Bragg

Date: 13/01/2021

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### **Aboriginal Participation Policy**

#### Policy Statement

The aim of the Aboriginal Participation Policy is to outline our commitment to reconciliation between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and the broader population in Australia. We acknowledge our place in the Australian Construction Industry; albeit as a small participant, and believe we have a responsibility to take a leadership position and contribute towards Closing the Gap in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples' challenges in relation to equal opportunity in our Industry.

A strong level of commitment from all levels of our organisation is critical to successfully translating our commitments and strategies into tangible and sustainable outcomes for local communities, people, and businesses.

#### Aims

INTREC is committed to workplace diversity, incorporating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation as a core function in the company's project management processes, and maintaining cultural awareness in the workplace with regard to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

We are committed to working in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, businesses and communities to create sustainable pathways for employment, training and skills development. We want our workplace to reflect the diversity of the communities we work in, and we will play our part to ensure that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples have the same opportunity to enjoy a prosperous and safe future as the broader population.

We endorse and actively support the guidelines and participation requirements as outlined in the Government Policy on Aboriginal Participation in Construction February 2015 (APIC Policy). We have and will continue to achieve these requirements by engaging subcontractors and suppliers who actively display Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation directly on our projects. INTREC is adopting this process on all Government projects. In addition, INTREC Management will work with State Governments, agencies, and affiliates by committing appropriately qualified personnel to plan, develop, and implement Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation for our portfolio of projects with particular emphasis on regional and remote works.

INTREC takes pride in supporting the community and providing significant opportunity to increase the skills and participation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples across the fit out, building and construction industry. We will provide a mechanism for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to actively influence and fully participate across our Government and broader project portfolio.

We endeavor to recognise the construction industry has a key role to play in broadening opportunities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and increasing employment of Australia's First Peoples at INTREC.

INTREC's Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) is developed in consultation and collaboration with several internal and external stakeholders including Reconciliation Australia.

Our RAP focuses on maintaining and continuously improving our employees' awareness and ownership of our RAP commitments through activities supported by an organisational-wide implementation strategy, and events which celebrate the richness and diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. Areas of focus include:

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### Relationships

- Establish and strengthen mutually beneficial relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander stakeholders and organisations.
- · Promote reconciliation through our sphere of influence.
- Promote positive cultural relations through antidiscrimination strategies.
- Build relationships through celebrating NRW.

#### Respect

- Increase understanding, value and recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, histories, knowledge and rights through cultural awareness.
- Demonstrate respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples by observing cultural protocols.
- Build respect for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and histories by celebrating NAIDOC Week.

## Opportunities

- Improve employment outcomes by increasing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander recruitment, retention and professional development.
- Increase Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander supplier diversity to support improved economic and social outcomes.

### Governance

- Establish and maintain an effective RAP Working Group (RWG) to drive governance of the RAP.
- $\bullet \quad \hbox{Provide appropriate support for effective implementation of RAP commitments}.$
- Build accountability and transparency through reporting RAP achievements, challenges and learnings both internally and externally.

## Responsibilities

We understand that developing our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander participation policy is a continuous process and recognise the contribution of our suppliers and subcontractors in our journey.

Senior Management is accountable for the development, communication, and implementation of this Policy. INTREC are committed to valuing diversity and incorporating this policy as a core function in the company.

## Policy Endorsement

This policy is endorsed by the Directors of INTREC Management Pty Limited and Balance Mechanical.



Director – Clint Bragg

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# **Example APIC Reports**

25th June 2020 **Project Report** 

### 12. ABROIGINAL PARTICIPATION REPORTING



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# Aboriginal participation in construction (APIC)

Agency Name	NSW Department of Education
Government Project Name	North Rocks Public School Upgrade
Monthly Reporting Period	June 2020

Contractors used during month

Legal Name of Contractor	Project Site - Name and Address
	North Rocks Public School Upgrade – 359
	North Rocks Road, North Rocks NSW 2151

Original Construction Contract Value: \$11,877,834.85 (excl. GST)

Month	A	APIC Spend (\$)		Participation Rate *1			Type of Expenditure (brief description)
	Direct	Indirect	Total	Direct	Indirect	Total	
April 2019	\$0	\$8,000	\$8,000	0.00%	0.067%	0.067%	Bin supply services contracted from Veolia Site Skip Bin Hire and contracted works to Envirocorp Constructions with direct employee
May 2019	\$0	\$44,500	\$44,500	0.00%	0.375%	0.375%	Services contracted from Aboriginal business Borger Cranes Hire & Rigging Service Pty Ltd
June 2019	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	0	0	-
July 2019	\$0	\$5,250	\$5,250	0	0.044%	0.044%	Services contracted from Supply Nation certified business
August 2019	\$0	\$30,000	\$30,000	0	0.253%	0.253%	Bin supply services contracted from Grass Hopper Site Skip Bin Hire
September 2019	\$0	\$96,697.11	\$96,697.11	0	0.814%	0.814%	Services contracted from Supply Nation Certified Business Officemax / Winc.
October 2019	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	0	0	-

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APIC Target	Greater than \$89,084	Less than \$89,084	\$178,167.5 2	Greater than 0.075%	Less than 0.075%	1.5%	
Total APIC Spend (\$) / Cum. Participation Rate *2	\$0	\$232,247.1 1	\$232,247.1 1	0.000%	1.956%	1.956%	
June	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	0	0	-
May	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	0	0	-
April 2020	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	0	0	-
March 2020	\$0	\$30,000	\$30,000	0	0.253%	0.253%	Bin supply services contracted from Grass Hopper Site Skip Bin Hire
February 2020	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	0	0	-
January 2020	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	0	0	-
December 2019	\$0	\$17,800.00	\$17,800.00	0	0.150%	0.150%	Services contracted from Supply Nation Certified Business Winc.
November 2019	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	0	0	

### Comments:

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# **Example APIC Plan**

# Aboriginal Participation Plan Template

The Aboriginal Procurement Policy (2021) requires that suppliers submit an Aboriginal Participation Plan for all projects valued at \$7.5m or above with their tender documents. This plan is the supplier's commitment to Aboriginal participation on the project. Plans will be finalised with the agency contract manager upon contract award and suppliers will be required to report progress against the plan quarterly.

**NOTE:** this is a template only and indicates the required information. Agencies may allow suppliers to use other formats.

Contracting agency	Eg; Transport for NSW
Project Name & ID	Name and ID number as per NSW e-Tendering
Project Location	Suburb and postcode or region where project will take place
Project start date	If known, or estimate
Expected project end date	
Supplier name and contact	
details	
Supplier ABN	
Are you an Aboriginal business?	If no, please skip next question.
Is your business recognised as	Please circle appropriate response:
an Aboriginal business by:	Supply Nation
	NSW Indigenous Chamber of Commerce
	None of the above.

#### Aboriginal Participation requirements

Aboriginal Participation requirements	
Estimated contract value	Indicate estimated \$ value of contract (eg: \$8,300,000)
Exclusions	List the exclusion items and approximate value of the exclusion that you
	will be seeking to negotiate with the contracting agency. For example:
	<ul> <li>Lease of land adjacent to project site: \$80,000</li> </ul>
	Hire of construction machinery: \$50,000
Project value	The project value is the contract value minus the proposed exclusions.
	For example: \$8,300,000 - \$130,000 = \$8,170,000 (project value).
Aboriginal participation	This will be a minimum of 1.5% of the project value or project workforce.
percentage	The contracting agency may require a higher percentage of participation.
Value of Aboriginal participation	1.5% of the project value (or higher per contracting agency
	requirements) - eg, \$8,170,000 x 1.5% = \$122,550

**Plan to meet Aboriginal participation requirements** (if you are an Aboriginal business, you do not have to proceed further on this form).

Aboriginal participation requirements may be met in three ways

- A minimum 1.5% of project value directed toward Aboriginal businesses through sub-contracting
- A minimum 15% of the project workforce to be Aboriginal people across the life of the project
- A minimum 1.5% of the project value directed toward capability and capacity building of Aboriginal people or businesses
- Or a combination of these options

Subcontracting	If you are sub-contracting all or part of the Aboriginal participation
	requirement, your plan should include the following:

# **Example APIC Plan**

Employment	<ul> <li>The portion of Aboriginal participation that will be directed to Aboriginal businesses through sub-contracting.</li> <li>Clearly identify opportunities for Aboriginal businesses in your supply chain.</li> <li>Methods for identifying Aboriginal businesses and clear communicating opportunities.</li> <li>You could include identifying Aboriginal businesses that your organisation will sub-contract in the delivery of the project.</li> <li>You could demonstrate an existing relationship with local stakeholder groups such as Local Aboriginal Land Councils or commit to develop a work relationship with specified stakeholders by a certain date if successful.</li> <li>Total estimated project workforce (FTE):</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Estimated Aboriginal FTE: eg, total workforce x 1.5% (or percentage agreed).</li> <li>Your plan should include:         <ul> <li>Clearly identified roles for Aboriginal employees and the skills required for these roles. Where possible, the majority of the roles should be central to the goods/services being delivered and located with local communities.</li> <li>Identify ways to source suitable Aboriginal candidates, for example, through collaboration with employment service providers, consulting with Local Aboriginal Land Councils or local Aboriginal community controlled organisations, advertising through Aboriginal owned media outlets or hosting community information sessions.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Education, training or capability building for Aboriginal staff or businesses	If you are directing some or all of the Aboriginal participation requirement to education, training or capability building for Aboriginal staff or businesses, your plan should include:  • The portion of the Aboriginal participation requirement that will be directed in this manner.  • Ways that you plan to retain and train Aboriginal employees for the role and ongoing development, for example, a mentoring or professional development program for Aboriginal employees, commitment to building cultural capability within the workplace which may include training of existing staff or working with Reconciliation Australia to agree a Reconciliation Action Plan.  • Courses or costs you plan to support for Aboriginal employees.  • Ways that you plan to build capability for Aboriginal businesses that are contributing directly to the project. For example, supplier diversity programs, business mentoring programs, assessing local Aboriginal business capability.

# **Example APIC Plan**

# Past Aboriginal participation compliance history

Please indicate whether your business is currently, or has previously been, subject to Aboriginal participation requirements on a NSW Government project and if so, please indicate how it has performed against its commitments.

If your business is currently or has previously been subject to Aboriginal participation requirements, please advise the project, contracting agency, participation requirements and the businesses performance against the requirements (were the commitments met? If not, why not etc).

If your business has no experience with Aboriginal participation requirements, evidence can be provided of your businesses commitment to Aboriginal employment or use of Aboriginal suppliers through:

- Previous track record of Aboriginal employment and use of Aboriginal suppliers, including by providing examples or case studies.
- A Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) or similar that provides a business commitment to Aboriginal employment and Aboriginal supplier targets.

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