Grants SA 2018/19 Major Round 1

Landholder approval letter

Rebecca Brown,
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Ron Bellchambers
Friends of Brownhill Creek Recreation Park

Dear Ron,

RE: KAURNA SHELTER TREE PROJECT

I am aware that the Friends of Brownhill Creek Recreation Park Group is applying for funding under the Department of Human Services Grants SA Program. I am also aware that their Kaurna Shelter Tree Project will be carried out in Brownhill Creek Recreation Park.

Remnant vegetation of mature and senescent River red gums – *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* occur sporadically along the creek running through Brownhill Creek Recreation Park. The natural vegetation of the park has largely been cleared, and protection of the remnant River red gums has been identified as a priority in the Park Management Plan. A number of invasive woody weeds such as willow and ash occur in the creek bed and surrounds, and pose a threat to the ongoing survival of the River red gums. The River red gum identified in the abovementioned project is reported to be a shelter tree for the Kaurna people, and the proposed project will go a long way towards improving the future health of the tree and will help to bring the community together in acknowledging the trees cultural importance, and promote the associated history. Volunteers in Brownhill Creek Recreation Park perform an invaluable contribution to conserving our Regions biodiversity and the Department for Environment and Water looks forward to working with the Friends Group on the project.

As the registered land manager, I give consent for the activities comprising of the Kaurna Shelter Tree Project to be carried out on the land described above, in consultation with the Ranger, should the project successfully attract funds.

Yours sincerely,

Rebecca Brown.

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