



Ngarrindjeri Nation Joint Decision Making (JDM)

Information Pack for

Ngarrindjeri Nation Community (NNCP) Panel Participation

*Let us Nukkan, Kungan, Yunnan,
See each other, & who we represent
Hear each other, & the Cultural knowledge, respect &
values that drive us,
Speak to each other, in a way that builds this relationship.*

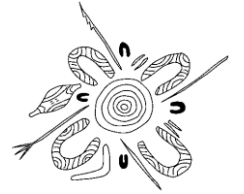


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Regional Development Agenda (RDA) Strategies Priorities



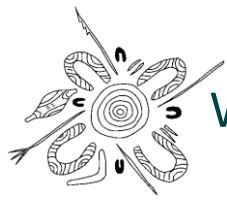
NREC was able to collate from the voices of Ngarrindjeri communities through a survey in 2019, these priorities, that form the basis for NREC's current goals for Community Engagement and are the centre for the Regional Development Agenda.

1. **Healthy Country:** a healthy country and waters that supports positive intergenerational & personal well-being and cultural connection to country, driven by Ngarrindjeri Ruwe led initiatives.
2. **Healthy People:** Healthy bodies and minds, with a focus on access to culturally safe, physical, and mental health services and support that meet the social, emotional, and physical well-being needs of Ngarrindjeri Ruwe people of all backgrounds and abilities.
3. **Future Generation Leadership:**
 - a. Leadership development with a focus on building capability, inclusion and creating long term opportunities.
 - b. Building stronger educational pathways and academic acknowledgement from early childhood development to school (R-12) through to tertiary education.
4. **Bring Community Together:** development, implementation, and maintenance of robust community engagement frameworks (including feedback pathways).
5. **Economic Empowerment:** Increase job growth opportunities, with a focus on increasing number of Ngarrindjeri Ruwe owned business, activating community own assets to create opportunities and acquisition of assets for further development, to ensure long term economic sustainability and security.
6. **Liveable Homes & Community Places:** vibrant and liveable homes and community places including recreational and cultural spaces that support ongoing well-being, place, and cultural connection.
7. **Kungan Nukkan Yunnan (listen, see and speak):** dynamic and effective communication platforms to encourage active community engagement and networking across the region, for community to have a place to listen, see and speak – having a voice.



[Link to the RDA : 9862d0_5869d2e965f74d538328b76150a1f056.pdf \(nrec.org.au\)](https://nrec.org.au/9862d0_5869d2e965f74d538328b76150a1f056.pdf)





What is Joint Decision Making (JDM)?

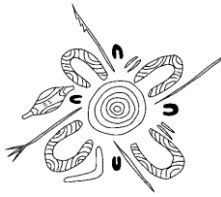
JDM is a community driven decision making process that strives to identify and reward programs and service providers which genuinely build long term, sustainable community empowerment.

It does this by convening Community Panels to assess whether proposed programs and initiatives which significantly impact on our community are aligned with the 'Regional Development Agenda'.



PATHWAY TO EMPOWERMENT

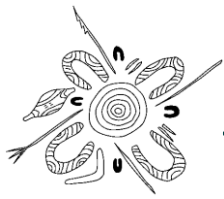




How will JDM be used?

- Prime Minister and Cabinet (PMC) have agreed that all future regional applications to the following **Indigenous Advancement Strategy (IAS)** funding streams (new and ceasing) beyond September 2018 will be assessed through this JDM process.
 - Jobs, Land and Economy
 - Children and Schooling
 - Safety and Wellbeing
 - Culture and Capability
- Nationally Empowered Communities are in JDM negotiations with Commonwealth Government Department Social Services (DSS) **Communities for Children**.
- NREC commenced JDM discussions with the South Australian Government in 2022.
- Community Panel members may also be invited by NREC to participate in other **partnership agreement discussions and co design workshops** with Government to help advance our Empowering Youth first priority initiative.

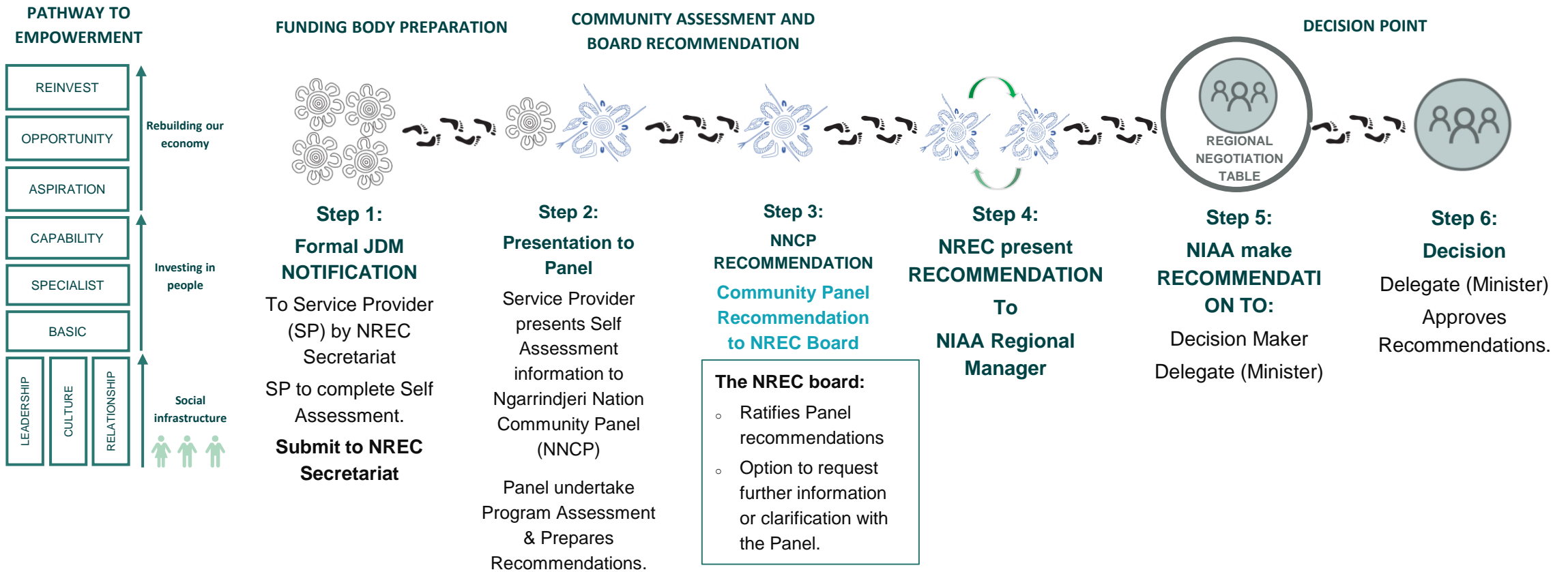


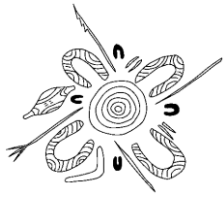


Joint Decision Making Process

The Ngarrindjeri Nation Joint Decision-Making process is a practical mechanism to support government funded organisations to align their activities to the communities' priorities and the Regional Development Agenda. In line with governments commitment to do business differently, this process allows for joint decision making around core and discretionary investment in the region.

The diagram below provides an overview of the five key phases for delivery of the NN Joint Decision-Making process.





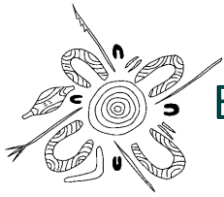
Ngarrindjeri Nation Community Panel Recruitment & Convening

The process of recruiting and convening delegates for the panels needs to be fair and open and ensure a good cross section of the community with the relevant skills and no conflict of interest.

Convening a Panel

1. NREC will assemble program specific (children & schools, health & wellbeing etc.) community panels based on the scope of the applications being assessed.
2. NREC will advertise an Expressions of interest (EOI) application process to the Ngarrindjeri community utilising its opt-in organisations and broad regional and interagency networks as recruitment channels.
3. NREC will review EOI's received for completeness and relevance to the program area/s being assessed. Panel members with relevant experience for the program will be assessed based on skills, expertise and community knowledge, cultural awareness and responsibility. received.
4. Successful panel delegates will be required to attend an induction session (**and potential further training**) to build their understanding of the NREC JDM process and assessment criteria, sign a confidentiality agreement and agree to follow a series of ethical guidelines. ***This will ensure they can participate effectively on a Panel, which will be assessed by NREC prior to convening the panel.***
5. Panel delegates will be provided with application details (i.e. program overview, self-assessment, departmental data as relevant) to assist with its assessment and convene to review and make their recommendations.
6. NREC will collate the community panel recommendations for presentation to the NREC Board to ratify before forwarding to the funding body.



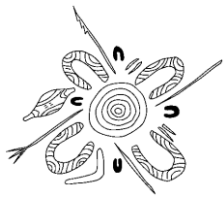


Expression of Interest

Expression of Interest (Eoi) to participate on Ngarrindjeri Nation Joint Decision Making (JDM) Community Panels

This information pack outlines the aim and scope of JDM, the Community Panel role in the process and how to register an Eoi to be involved.





Ngarrindjeri Nation Community Panel Composition

Panel



Chair (elected at each Panel)

Program Areas (as required)

- Program Area 2 –
 - **2 x skills based and relevant expertise**



- Program Area 2 –
 - **2x community delegates**

Sector Specific (as required)



- Youth, Aged etc. representatives – as needed
 - **1 community delegates**



NREC Secretariat Team

- Delegate

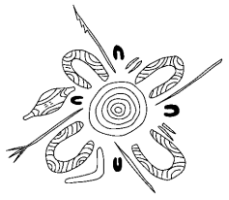


Panel size and composition will vary depending on the range and complexity of funding applications being reviewed. NREC will ensure an appropriate community representation on each panel, based on:-

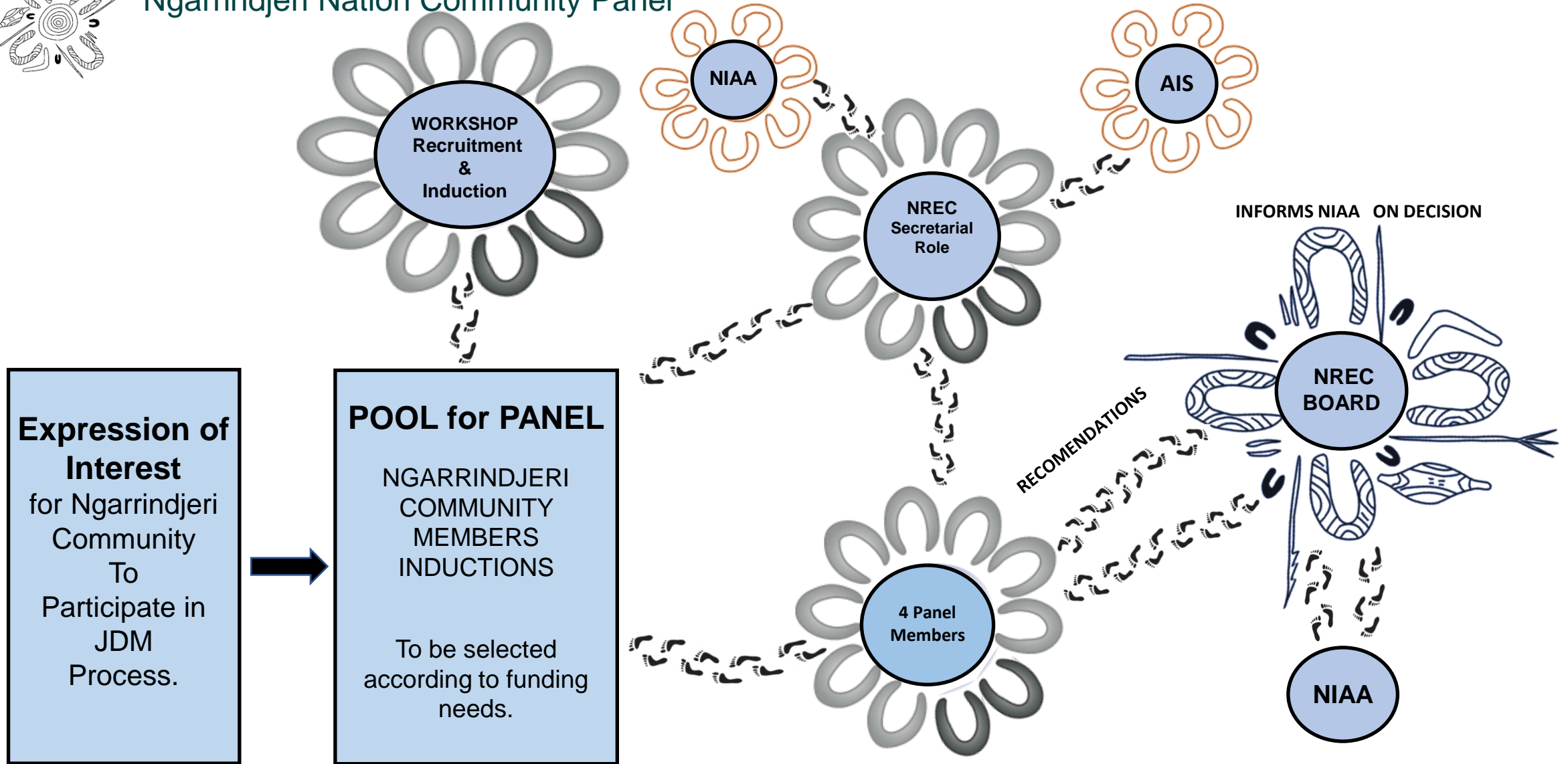
- Must be Ngarrindjeri, Aboriginal &/or Torres Strait Islander with an understanding of and connection to the local community and its needs;
- PROGRAM - skills, experience and expertise are aligned to the funding program applications being assessed;
- SECTOR – ensuring a relevant cross section of the community (e.g. Youth representatives, female, elders etc.);
- there is no conflict of interest.

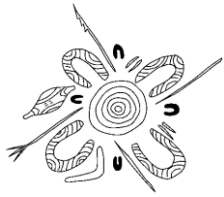
The two highlighted purple positions represent NREC staff representatives. Their involvement is secretariat only (not decision making) to help provide secretariat support to the Panel and provide the NREC context when necessary. Each Panel will elect a Chair during the Induction process.

The NREC Secretariat will govern the selection process and panel composition.



Ngarrindjeri Nation Community Panel





Supporting Panel Documents

Community Panel Register

Brief information provided by community members interested in being panel delegates.

Letter of Offer

A formal letter of invitation to participate on a panel will be sent by NREC to selected members from the Panel Register when a panel needs to be convened. It will outline the program area to be assessed, documentation to be agreed and signed, anticipated time commitment and reimbursement for time offered.

Confidentiality & Conflict of Interest Agreement

Signed by community panel delegates prior to participation.

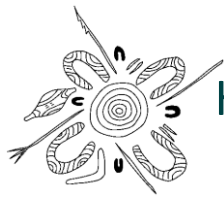
Ethical & Behavioural Agreement

As a condition of participating in the Community Panel, all delegates will follow the Ethical and Behavioural Guidelines as the standard practise for participating.

Community Panel Assessment Form

Panel delegates to assess each application based on assessment criteria





How to Lodge an EOI

- NREC is currently accepting Expressions of Interest to participate on JDM Ngarrindjeri Nation Community Panel as required.

Please lodge your Eoi by either:-

- **Visiting our website to download an Eoi form to email or post to us or clicking on a survey monkey link (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/?>) to complete online.**
 - Visit NREC office – 50 Old Princes Hwy, Murray Bridge SA 5253
 - Request the form be emailed or posted to you
- NREC will contact you if required to participate as JDM NNCP. You will be required to participate in a Panel Induction Session, undertake appropriate training and complete the necessary paperwork before the Panel is convened.

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