



LANDS ACQUISITION ACT 1989 PRE-ACQUISITION DECLARATION

1. Acquisition

In accordance with the *Lands Acquisition Act 1989*, I am considering the acquisition of the interests in land specified in paragraph 4 for the public purpose described in paragraph 5.

2. The acquiring authority

The Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) established under the *Science and Industry Research Act 1949* is the acquiring authority.

3. The Land

This declaration relates to the whole of the land described as Lot 17 on Deposited Plan 194335 shown in Part 1 of the Schedule which is comprised in Certificate of Crown Land Title Volume LR3064 Folio 478 ('the Land').

The Land is approximately 85,322 hectares and is located in the locality of Murchison in the State of Western Australia. A plan showing the approximate location of the Land is set out in Part 2 of the Schedule.

4. The Interests in Land

This declaration relates to the acquisition of Western Australia registered Lease N049407 (Pastoral Lease) in respect of the Land.

5. Public Purpose

The public purpose of the acquisition is astronomical observations.

6. Suitability for use for a public purpose

The Land appears to be suitable for development for use for the public purpose described in paragraph 5.

7. Particulars of Proposed Use

The Land is proposed to be developed to enable a portion of the Square Kilometre Array Low Telescope to be constructed on the Land. The Land is also proposed to be managed as part of Inyarrimanha Ilgari Bundara, the CSIRO Murchison Radio-astronomy Observatory.

Inyarrimanha Ilgari Bundara, the CSIRO Murchison Radio-astronomy Observatory is a preferred location to operate telescopes that collect radio signals from space. These signals are used by astronomers to collect data on the physical properties of many phenomena in the universe including galaxies, stars, other planets and the sun.

8. Reasons why the Land appears to be Suitable for the Proposed Use

The reason why the Land appears to be suitable for the proposed use described in paragraph 7 is that:

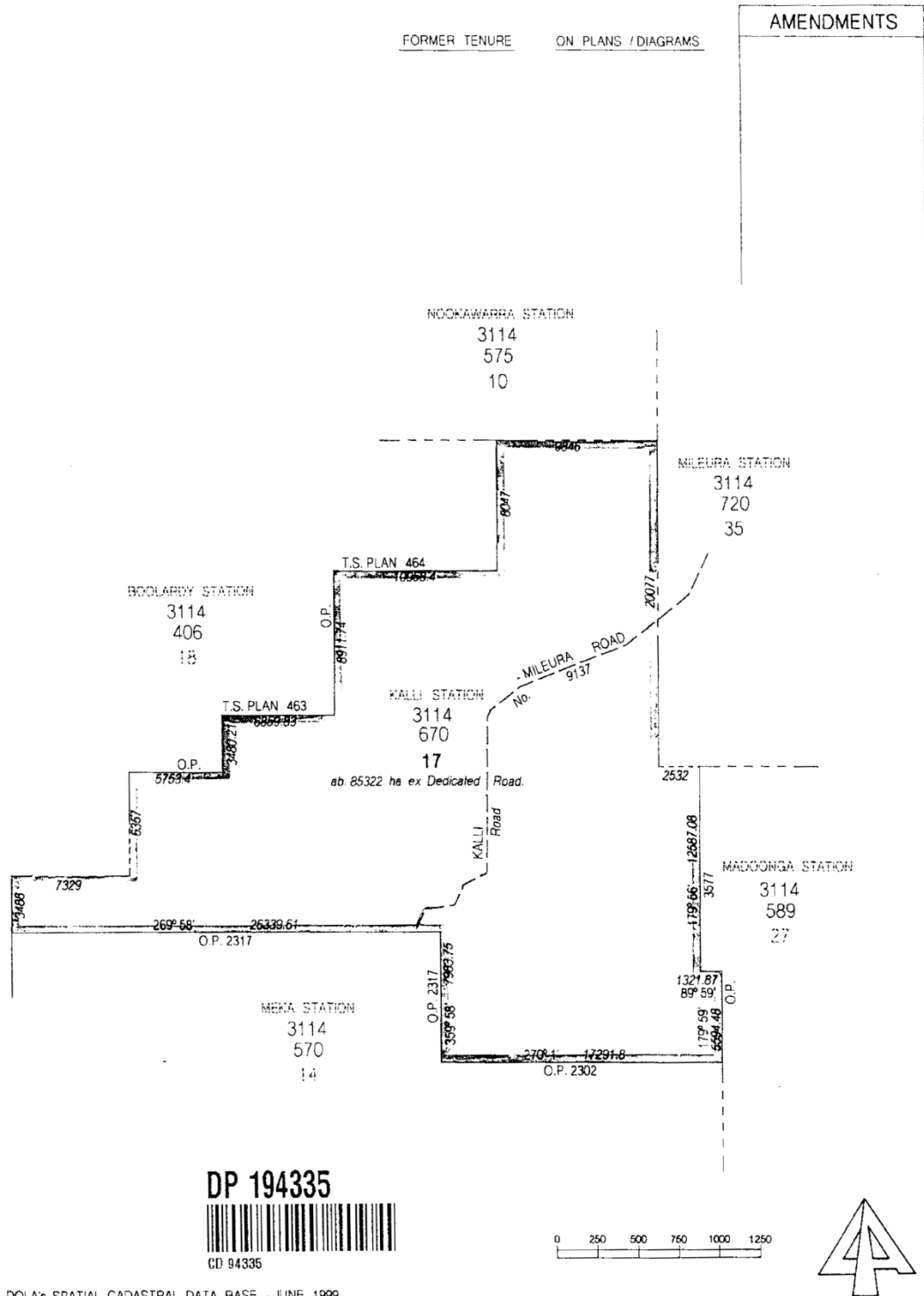
- a. The Land adjoins to the land currently referred to and used as Inyarrimanha Ilgari Bundara, the CSIRO Murchison Radio-astronomy Observatory where the majority of the SKA project is being constructed.
- b. The Land has excellent radio quietness and is predominantly within the Inner Zone of the Australian Radio Quiet Zone Western Australia.

DATED this 6th day of January 2025.

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Note: This Pre-Acquisition Declaration signifies that I am considering acquisition of the interests in land specified in paragraph 4 by the CSIRO. It does NOT mean that the interests in land have been acquired.

Schedule – Part 1 - Location of the Land



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DISTRICT NOOKAWARRA LOCAL AUTHORITY SHIRE OF MURCHISON FILE 3009 / 964 v7 SCALE 1:250 000 <small>All distances are in metres</small> Public Plan BELELE 1:250 000 & BYRO 1:250 000 Reference Provisional P/L Plan 233 Page Prepared by C.FIORENTINO Date 14/06/1999 Checked <i>[Signature]</i> Date 24/6/99 CERTIFIED CORRECT <i>[Signature]</i> Date 24/6/99 <small>Manager Statutory Services</small>	LOCATION 17 SUBJECT TO SURVEY NOT FOR ALIENATION PURPOSES	IN ORDER FOR DEALINGS SUBJECT TO FOR AUTHORIZED LAND OFFICER DATE 24/6/99 APPROVED <i>[Signature]</i> 29/6/99 AUTHORIZED LAND OFFICER Date LAND ADMINISTRATION ACT MISCELLANEOUS DIAGRAM 94335
On S.I.P. BELELE 1:250 000 & BYRO 1:250 000 Recorded on Public Plan PB Date 8.9.99 Document Registered H149912 Date 26.6.99	 <small>Department of LAND ADMINISTRATION</small>	

Schedule – Part 2 – Location of the Land

