



## Merriman Station – Carinda Road BREWARRINA NSW 2839

### Expression of Interest (Eoi) process.

The Indigenous Land and Sea Corporation (ILSC) is inviting Expressions of Interest (Eoi) from Indigenous organisations that have vision and capability to generate benefits for Indigenous people through the management of Merriman Station (Merriman).

Merriman is a 16,624-hectare pastoral property made up of five Western Land Leases. The property is well equipped to support its primary use as a pastoral property and other ancillary uses. Further information on the properties physical and environmental assets can be found in the Expression of Interest Guide (The Guide)

Merriman was acquired by the ILSC in 2006 for development as a shearing training facility for Indigenous youth. The ILSC operated the school between 2010 to 2017, with 170 graduates completing the course during this time.

#### The Expression of Interest process aims to:

- increase Indigenous presence in the management and use of the property;
- generate economic, employment, social and cultural benefits for Indigenous people through the operation of Merriman; and
- secure a future landowner in which the ILSC can divest Merriman to.

The Guide asks key questions of applicants to address in their submission; as well identifies key ILSC assessment criteria. The assessment criteria includes Opportunities and Outcomes, Project Viability, Financial Health and Capability.

The ILSC will consider all permissible land use/s and future landowner models consistent to the criteria discussed in the guide.

The successful applicant will be required to enter into a lease agreement with the ILSC, the terms of the lease will be subject to negotiations with the successful applicant/s. A future recommendation to grant Merriman is anticipated subject to the successful applicants performance during the lease period.

#### Expression of Interest timeframes:

- Expression of Interest opens on the 6 April 2021, with submissions to be received by COB 18 May 2021.
- To obtain the Eoi and the guide, please call the Eastern Office.
- Property inspections are available by request and through the Eastern Office.
- **To register your interest** please email your completed submission form to: [EasternOffice@ilsc.gov.au](mailto:EasternOffice@ilsc.gov.au) by **COB 18 May 2021**

For further information, including registering for a property inspection, please contact Eastern Division Office on 07 07 3854 4664