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Regional 'Caring for Country' plan available for comment

The Queensland Murray-Darling Committee (QMDC) opened its draft regional 'Caring for Country' plan for public comment last week. This plan has been developed as a key supporting document for the region's Natural Resource Management Plan, and will help guide future Aboriginal and cultural heritage projects across the area.

Regional Coordinator for QMDC's Aboriginal Program, Tim Knox, said "This is an opportunity for community members to have input to the draft Caring for Country Plan, which will deliver vision and direction for the planning and management of Aboriginal cultural and natural resources throughout the region."

"QMDC recognises the need to protect important cultural, ecological, social and economic values in the region," he said.

"And this Caring for Country Plan will outline the strategies and a framework to care for Country."

Public comments will close on Friday, 1 February, and comments can be addressed to Christine Davis at christined@qmdc.org.au, or by post to PO Box 6243, Toowoomba West, Queensland, 4350.

The public can access the draft plan from the QMDC website, www.qmdc.org.au. Hard copies will also be available at:

- QMDC's offices in Goondiwindi, Roma and Toowoomba
- Landcare centres across the region
- Most Aboriginal organisations across the region
- The Indigenous Coordination Centre (ICC) in Roma.

For more information, please contact Tim Knox on 07 4637 6270.

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