Lands Division

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Ms Yogi Lal-Parks
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Dear Ms Lal-Parks

GRACETOWN – TRANSFER OF LAND INTO NATIONAL PARK

LandCorp has requested the Department of Regional Development and Lands (RDL) write to advise that it is the State’s intention to include land in lot 300 that is not required for the proposed residential expansion in Gracetown, into national park.

As Lot 300 is Crown land the area not required for subdivision development will become a separate lot the subject of a new Crown land title. This lot (which will comprise approximately 230 hectares) will be included into the Leeuwin Naturaliste National Park ‘A’ Class reservation under the Land Administration Act 1997 (LAA) and Conservation and Land Management Act 1984.

The inclusion of the land into the national park is subject to statutory requirements under the LAA and Native Title Act 1993. Until that has occurred the land will be designated as parks and reserves and appropriate notification will be placed against the new Crown land title as to the intended future reservation as national park.

RDL also has in principle support from the Shire of Augusta-Margaret River, the Department of Environment and Conservation and community for the inclusion into the national park reservation of other areas of Crown land in and adjacent to Gracetown Townsite set aside for public purposes but not developed. These areas total approximately a further 30 hectares.

Yours sincerely

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