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Dhelkunya Dja Land Management Board
DDLMB Senior Project Manager
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Dear Sir/Madam

RE: Draft Joint Management Plan for the Dja Dja Wurrung Parks

On behalf of Goldfields Track Incorporated (GTI), I write to support the progress of the draft *Joint Management Plan for the Dja Dja Wurrung Parks*.

The Goldfields Track is a 210km point to point track that takes mountain bike riders and bushwalkers from Ballarat to Bendigo. A significant portion of the track travels through Dja Dja Wurrung country.

The Goldfields Track is not just a recreational experience. It provides an excellent opportunity for visitors to connect with nature, history, heritage and culture, and track users tell us of the importance of these aspects to their experience.

GTI strongly supports the development of the joint management plan and the role it plays in supporting the *Recognition and Settlement Agreement 2013 (RSA 2013)* and providing aboriginal peoples a significant place in the management of country.

GTI has successfully worked with Dja Dja Wurrung, most recently on the development of the La Larr Ba Guawa Mountain Bike Park. We look forward to working with them into the future to continue to support bushwalkers and bike riders accessing the Goldfields Track and Dja Dja Wurrung Parks.

Yours Sincerely,



Peter Skilbeck
Chair, Goldfields Track Inc.