

# Access For All Inc.

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## URGENT

### Annual General Meeting- Sunday 10am 27 August 2023 Araluen Hotel.

As you may know, NSW politicians have long range plans to transfer ALL National Parks to Aboriginal ownership. This represents 10% of the state! The current document can be found on our website **HERE**

The Department of the Environment website has a page explaining the process  
<https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/parks-reserves-and-protected-areas/park-management/community-engagement/aboriginal-joint-management-model-consultation>

The actual PDF document (5.5Mb) can be downloaded here:  
<https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/-/media/OEH/Corporate-Site/Documents/Parks-reserves-and-protected-areas/Aboriginal-joint-management/aboriginal-joint-management-model-220300.pdf>

Part of our Charter is to maintain ACCESS to our National Parks, and in the past AFA has worked hard to establish close relationships with senior National Parks' personnel.

The prospect of loss of public ownership is causing dismay and concern amongst the few in the community who have become aware of these plans. However, AFA has been successful in inviting Mr. Craig Thomas to attend our AGM. Craig has intimate knowledge of the state of play in government circles and has kindly agreed to speak to us and provide up-to-date information regarding ACCESS and MANAGEMENT

You are **strongly urged to attend this information briefing**, despite the short notice. It is unclear what the ramifications will be, despite a continuing but subservient role for our friends in the NPWS. Please come along, with any others who might be adversely affected.

#### **A summary of some of Craig's impressive responsibilities include:**

President 4WD Association of NSW and ACT.

Councillor, Ministerial Advisory Council.

Member, NPWS Aboriginal Joint Management Model, Stakeholder Consultative Group.

Representative for TRANSPORT for NSW.

President, Australian Confederation of Motor Clubs (ACMC)

Associate of Hon. Paul Toole, former Deputy Premier of NSW

Close and frequent contact with NPWS and Forestry Corp.

Advisor, Classic Vehicle Registration Scheme (CVS).

President, Street Hot Rod Federation (ASRF)

Member, Automobile After-Market Association (AAAA)

10 August 2023

Peter Smith  
ACCESS for ALL Committee