

## LTO licences update – meeting questions

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***Q: Is the Cultural Heritage Permit just for rock climbing, or all activities and locations?***

A: The permit will apply only to rock climbing activities in the Summerday Valley and Lookout Point Wall Special Protection Areas.

***Q: Why won't the Cultural Heritage Permit apply to other locations with cultural heritage?***

A: Summerday Valley and Lookout Point Wall are the only locations provided special access by the licence.

***Q: Are all locations in the park being assessed by Traditional Owners?***

A: The Grampians Landscape Management Plan will provide direction on access and protections elsewhere in the park. Special access to Special Protection Areas in the park are, at this stage, limited to Summerday Valley and Lookout Point Wall only.

***Q: When the new management plan is finalised, are there likely to be changes to access and availability?***

A: As the existing management plan is nearly 20 years old, it is expected that the new Grampians Landscape Management Plan includes changes as to how the park is managed.

***Q: Why are few LTOs on this meeting call?***

A: Invitations to attend this meeting were sent to all relevant Licensed Tour Operators. Information, including a recording of the meeting, will be emailed to all these tour operators.

***Q: Why have there been so few LTOs at the cultural heritage inductions?***

A: Invitations to attend and complete this licence requirement have been sent to all relevant Licensed Tour Operators. Only those that have completed the induction have been operating at Summerday Valley.

***Q: Who needs to complete the inductions – just the tour operator-owner or every instructor?***

A: Any LTO operating at Summerday Valley or Lookout Point Wall is required to have at least one guide present who has been inducted.

***Q: Will the Australian Adventure Activity Standards be introduced for new LTO licences?***

A: Yes. This will be included as a component of future standard licences.

***Q: Does/how does the Cultural Heritage Permit extend to school groups?***

A: This requirement applies to LTOs operating in Summerday Valley and at Lookout Point Wall. Anyone wishing to climb in these areas must go with a licenced LTO. This includes groups.