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Dear Mr Hall and Mr Sheppard

Thank you for your letter dated 21 November 2016 regarding the Wedge and Grey shacks.

The planning process being led by the Government is inclusive and the Department of Parks and Wildlife continues to engage with Wedge Island Protection Association and the Grey Conservation and Community Association to work towards achieving a compromise plan.

The State Government considered and approved the Preliminary Plan in February 2015, which recommended the examination of options for public recreation and tourism, in conjunction with a level of shack retention that contributes to public use. Retention of all shacks is not being contemplated as part of this process and subsequent studies and planning advice suggests that the level of shack retention will be constrained by a range of statutory and policy requirements.

I reiterate the Government is offering you the opportunity to be involved in the planning process, which is nearing a stage where informed decisions can be made and options for the various uses formulated. Once these options are developed, formal consideration of the proposed listing of the Wedge and Grey settlements on the State Register of Heritage Places can take place.

I emphasise to you again the importance of working with the Department of Parks and Wildlife and the other Government agencies involved to provide realistic input into the option development process.

Thank you for your correspondence.

Yours sincerely

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