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Dear Mr Stone *Shane*

Thank you for providing your advice as part of the Senior Advisory Group on Joint Management of Commonwealth National Parks. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your work and acknowledge that it has been a challenging task, given the COVID-19 impacts on travel throughout the year.

I appreciate the time you took to listen to Traditional Owners at each of the jointly managed parks and the way you valued their input to this review.

We always knew this was a difficult topic, but you did not shy away from it.

The number of stakeholders you met and the way you adapted to virtual meetings is commendable and I can see the messages you heard loudly reflected in your advice to me.

I will be meeting with the Boards of Management in coming weeks to begin our work on the way forward and we will be moving quickly to address the resourcing and employment issues that you have raised in your advice.

Thank you again for the commitment and engagement you demonstrated throughout this process.

Yours sincerely

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