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Yiradhu Marang Matthew,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the dual naming proposal from Bathurst Regional Council to rename Fish and Macquarie Rivers as Wambuul.

Barrinang has three members currently studying Wiradjuri Language; [redacted], [redacted] and [redacted]. We are studying under the instruction of [redacted] of Yarradamarra Centre, Dubbo TAFE, and as such we are very excited to see Councils wishing to add dual names to areas and landmarks.

After some discussion Barrinang would like to see the Fish River area considered to be called Bila-gu Guya. The Wiradjuri word Bila translates to river, with the -gu denoting area or towards/for/to. Guya is the Wiradjuri word for fish. The Wiradjuri language puts the most important word first, in this instance River, then the name. Barrinang have today consulted with Aunty Iris who suggested adding the -gu to Bila.

Mandaang guwu (thank you) for your time, if you wish to know anything else please feel free to contact me on the above e-mail or phone [redacted]

Yours sincerely,

[redacted]  
Chairperson  
On behalf of Barrinang Incorporated  
Lithgow