Training as Research and Research as Training in remote north Australia

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The ‘BNH Training for Remote Communities’ was initially perceived as training for ranger group members. But as time went by and the participation of Bininj became more embedded, the focus shifted to ‘resilience’ training for whole communities.

Q3 2014
Project launches with a ‘road-trip’ asking Bininj what they think about training...

Q2 2015
The first leadership training workshop asked Bininj about their leadership arrangements.

Q2 2017
First training pilot at Malnyangarnak

Q4 2017
Balngarra clan “dashboard’ report on BNH management on their estate.

Q2 2018
A second pilot at Buluhkaduru responded to feedback from Bininj at the first pilot.

Q3 2016
A second ‘leadership training workshop at Blythe River

Q2 2015
Major workshop of stakeholders at Ngukurr

Q1 2016
Report on local fire knowledge - to tailor training to local group

Key Lessons
• Every community is different
• Build relationships 1st
• Work with Traditional Owners/Custodians
• TO’s should provide ‘direction’
• Train on Country
• Tailor training to local settings
• Tailor training to sub-groups
• Train whole community

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