

Analog community radio broadcasting licence for the Looma RA1 licence area – SL10025

Application pack

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Application overview

The Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) invites applications for the analog community radio broadcasting licence, identified as SL10025, to serve the Looma RA1 licence area in Western Australia.

Current licensing arrangements

Pilbara and Kimberley Aboriginal Media has held temporary community broadcasting licences in Looma RA1 since October 2017.

Looma Community Inc held a long-term community broadcasting licence in Looma RA1 from October 1992 until October 2017. The licence expired because the ACMA did not receive an application to renew the licence from Looma Community Inc.

Community broadcasting

As defined in section 15 of the *Broadcasting Services Act 1992* (BSA), a community broadcasting service is a service that is provided for community purposes and is not operated for profit, or as part of a profit-making enterprise.

Community radio broadcasting licensees are required to comply with the licence conditions set out in Parts 1, 2 and 5 of Schedule 2 to the BSA. The ACMA has published [guidelines to help community broadcasters](#) understand and comply with these BSA obligations

Please contact the ACMA via the details below if you would like a copy of the relevant parts of the BSA.

Community radio broadcasting licensees are also required to comply with the Community Broadcasting Association of Australia's [Community Radio Broadcasting Codes of Practice](#) (2025).

Matters to be considered

Applications may only be lodged by companies (including incorporated associations) formed in Australia or an external Territory and that represent a community interest.

In assessing the applications, the ACMA is to have regard to the matters outlined in subsection 84(2) of the BSA.

How to lodge an application

Applicants must complete the approved application form ACMA B32b - *Application for a community radio broadcasting licence planned in a remote Indigenous community*.

Applications should be marked 'Looma Community Radio Licence' and must be lodged by **10 pm (AWST) on Friday 5 June 2026** and addressed to:

The Manager
Community Broadcasting Section
Australian Communications and Media Authority

By mail: PO Box Q500
Queen Victoria Building NSW 1230

By email: communitybroadcasting@acma.gov.au

The ACMA will not accept applications received after the closing date.

Following the closing date for applications, the ACMA will assess all applications received in accordance with the requirements of the BSA.

Current licence area definition

The ACMA has designated the licence area for SL10025 as the area described in Attachment 18.1 to the [Licence Area Plan - Remote Western Australia Radio](#) (Federal Register of Legislation reference number F2017C00611). That area is described as follows:

Licence area: Looma RA1

Community Radio Service Licence Number: SL10025

The licence area, in terms of areas defined by the Australian Bureau of Statistics at the Census of 6 August 1991, is:

Area description
WA CD 010310

Note: Standard terminology used by the Australian Bureau of Statistics:

CD = Collection District

Proposed new licence area definition

The ACMA intends to vary the licence area definition when the Licence Area Plan – Remote Western Australia Radio is next varied as set out below.

Licence area: Looma RA1

Community Radio Service Licence Number: SL10025

The licence area, in terms of areas defined by the Australian Bureau of Statistics at the [Census](#) of 9 August 2016, is:

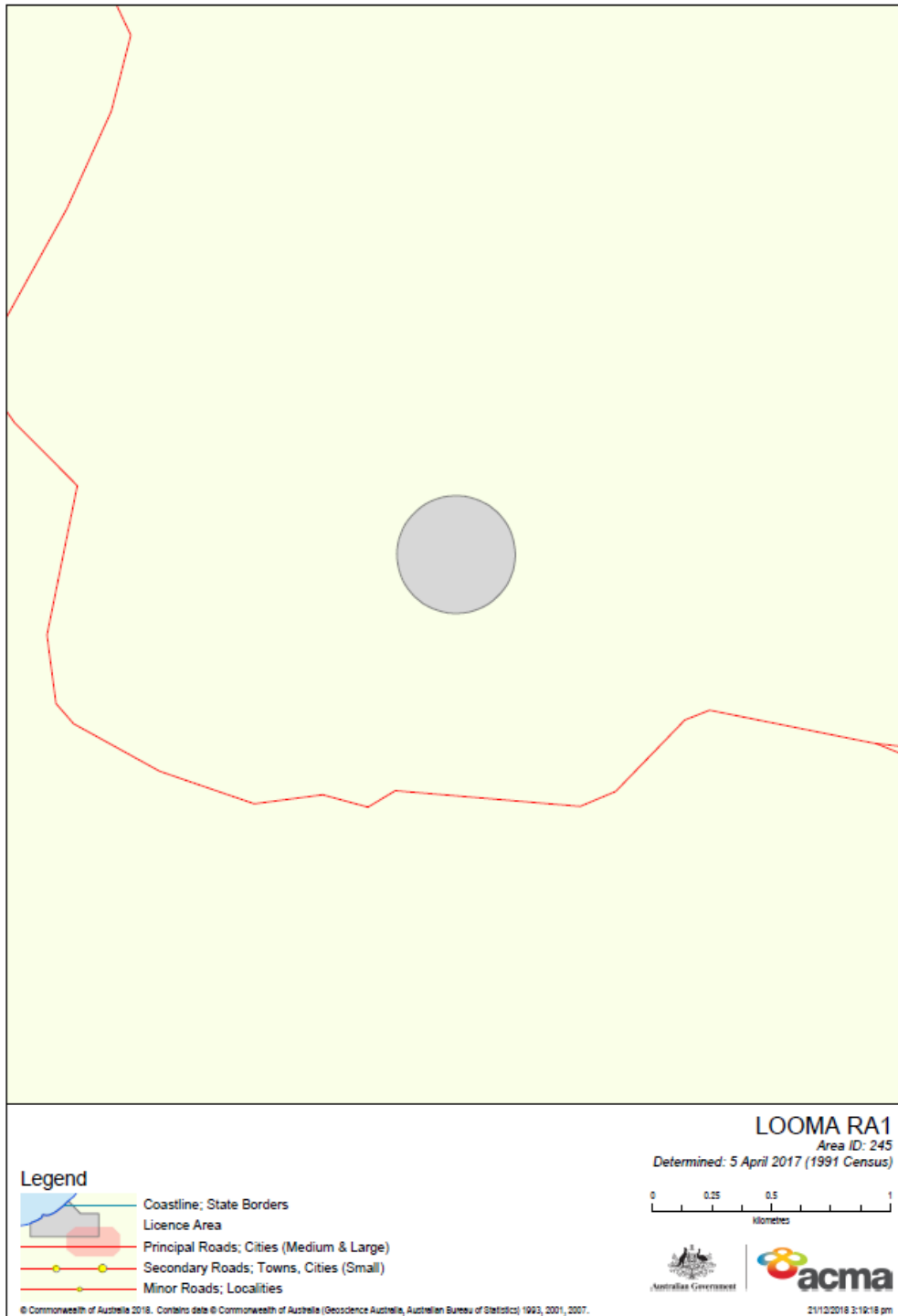
Area description
5126322 (SA1)

Note: Standard terminology used by the Australian Bureau of Statistics:

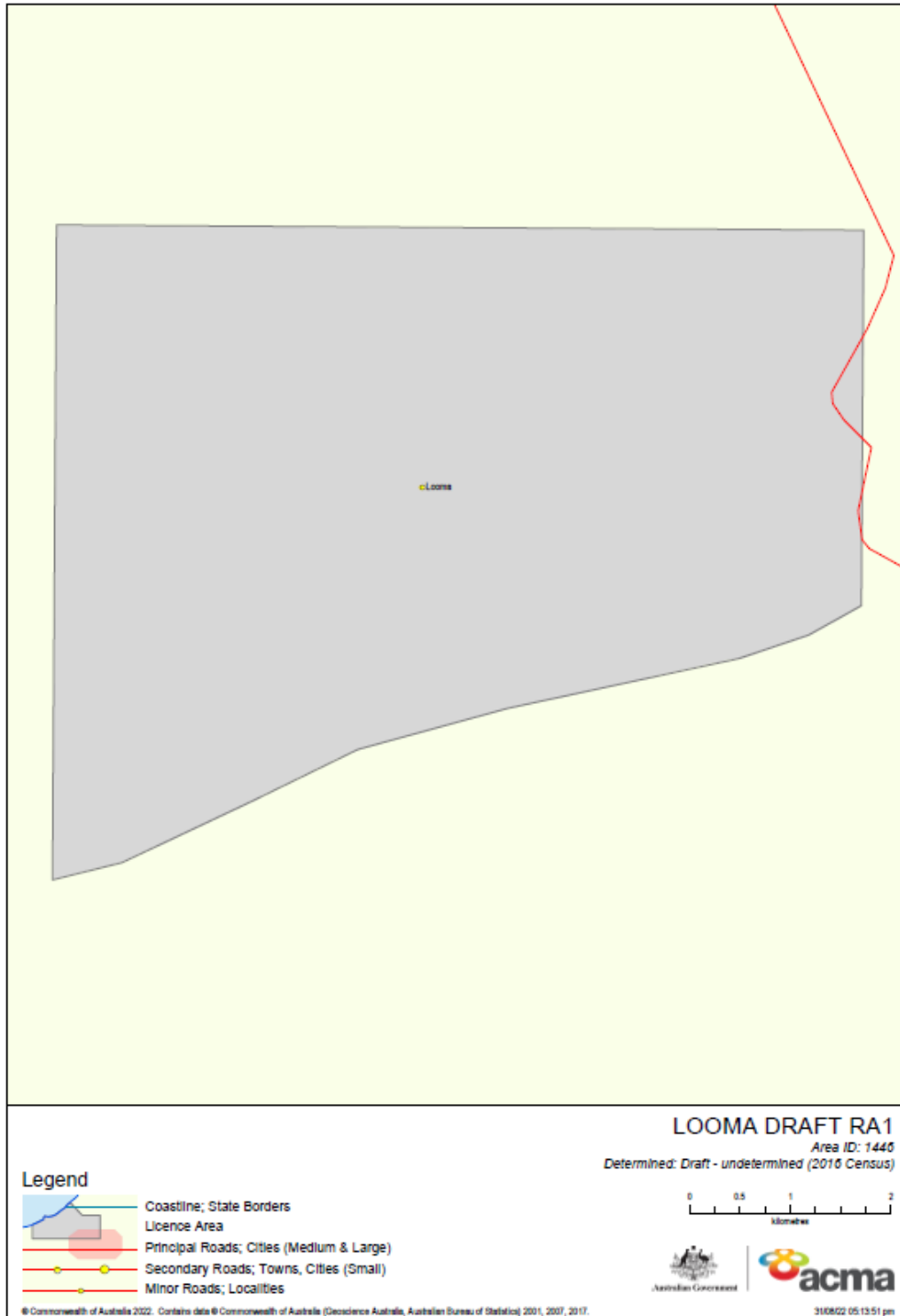
SA1 = Statistical Area Level 1

Licence area maps

Looma RA1



Looma draft RA1



Technical specifications

LICENCE AREA PLAN: Remote Western Australia Radio

Category: Community

General Area Served: Looma (WA)

Service Licence Number: SL10025

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION - FM Radio

Specification Number: TS10001502

Transmitter Site:-

Nominal Location: Council Site adj shop Looma Circuit LOOMA

Australian Map Grid Reference:	Zone	Easting	Northing
	51	621365	8004996

Site Tolerance: Refer to *Broadcasting Services (Technical Planning) Guidelines 2017*

Emission:-

Frequency Band & Mode: VHF-FM

Carrier Frequency: 106.1 MHz

Polarisation: Mixed

Maximum Antenna Height: 10 m

Output Radiation Pattern:-

Bearing or Sector (clockwise direction)	Maximum ERP
At all angles of azimuth	20 W