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**Question:**

I have a follow-up question for Mr Stacey on the mapping he was talking about with Senator Peris. There was some work done on Cape York of a similar nature. My understanding was that it was a joint piece of work between the Federal government and the Queensland state government. Can you give me an update on how that mapping activity has progressed?

**Answer:**

Under the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing (NPARIH) \$10 million was allocated in November 2012 for whole of township surveys on Cape York. Each community's survey project is designed following consultation with the community council.

Consultations in the Cape York communities commenced in mid-2013, with initial survey work due to commence in early 2014 to meet the planned completion date of 30 June 2015.

Agreement to proceed with survey projects has been reached with Hope Vale, Lockhart River, Bamaga, Injinoo, Umagico, Seisia, New Mapoon and Wujal Wujal. Consultation is underway in the communities of Mapoon and Napranum. For Aurukun, Kowanyama, and Pompuraaw, consultation will commence in early 2014.