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Question:

The COAG Land Review was originally touted as a part of the development of the Northern Australia White Paper; however, the White Paper has now been released and the COAG Land Review is yet to report. How do the COAG Land Review and the Northern White Paper now fit together?

Answer:

The White Paper sets out the Commonwealth's policy platform for unlocking the full potential of the north over a 20 year timeframe. It affirmed the Commonwealth's intention to work with Indigenous stakeholders through the COAG Investigation into Indigenous land administration and use to further identify how governments can support Indigenous people to leverage their land assets for economic development.