

Local freshwater systems a unique food resource



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MORE than 50 people heard Merinigar Elder Lynette Knapp and her artist daughter Shandell Cummins talk about food sources in the South West freshwater systems last month. Aunty Lynette and Shandell spoke at

Millars Basin on the Kent River as part of the Denmark Environment Centre's Six Season Series Two project. In an interview with archaeologist Myles Mitchell, pictured with microphone, Aunty Lynette and Shandell

also spoke about the meanings of some names derived from Aboriginal words. Three Murdoch University Centre for Sustainable Aquatic Ecosystems researchers spoke about their investigations into the freshwater biodiversity in

natural and artificial water sources and the threats they face, particularly from Climate Change. Some Great Southern freshwater species are found nowhere else in the world.

The group saw some of the species that had been caught on site and later at one of the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions-made freshwater holes which is a water source for firefighting.

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HAVE YOUR SAY

The draft Strategy can be accessed online or viewed in hardcopy format at the Shire of Denmark Administration Building.

Written feedback can be submitted online, via email, post or hand delivery. Please contact our Planning Services team with any questions on (08) 9848 0315 or enquiries@denmark.wa.gov.au

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