



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 1230/1

File Number: 22849

Duration of Permit: From 20 October 2007 to 20 October 2012

PERMIT HOLDER

B & J Catalano Pty Ltd acting on behalf of the landowners, Ian Thomas Theakstone and Jean Gail Theakstone

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

LOT 359 ON PLAN 89857 (BOYANUP 6237)

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

- 1 Clearing of up to 2.13 hectares of native vegetation within the area shaded yellow on attached Plan 1230/1.

CONDITIONS

1 Revegetation

- (a) The Permit Holder shall retain the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorised under this Permit.
- (b) Within six months of the area no longer being required for the purpose of sand extraction the Permit Holder must *revegetate* the area permitted to be cleared on attached Plan 1230/1 by:
 - (i) Deliberately planting and/or seeding native vegetation that will result in a similar species composition, structure and density of native vegetation to pre-clearing vegetation types in that area;
 - (ii) Ensuring only local provenance seeds and propagating material from within 20km of the area cleared are used to *revegetate* the area;
 - (iii) Laying vegetative material and topsoil retained in accordance with condition 1(a) on the area.
- (c) Within one year of undertaking *revegetation* in accordance with condition 1(b), the Permit Holder must:
 - (i) Determine the species composition, structure and density of the area revegetated; and
 - (ii) Where, in the opinion of an *environmental specialist*, the composition structure and density determined under condition 1(c)(i) will not result in a similar species composition, structure and density to pre-clearing vegetation types in that area the Permit Holder must undertake additional planting or seeding of native vegetation in accordance with the requirements of condition 1(b)(i) and 1(b)(ii).

2 Fencing

- (a) Prior to commencing revegetation, the Permit holder shall construct a fence enclosing the area cross-hatched in yellow on attached Plan 1230/1. The fence shall be constructed and maintained so as to be adequate to exclude stock access.
- (b) The Permit Holder shall give the Chief Executive Officer written notice that fencing in accordance with condition 2(a) has been completed.

3 Dieback control

When undertaking any clearing and *revegetation*, or other activity pursuant to this Permit the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of *dieback*:

- (a) Clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
- (b) avoid the movement of soil in wet conditions;
- (c) ensure that no dieback-affected *mulches* or *fill* are brought into an area that is not affected by dieback; and
- (d) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.

4 Weed control

When undertaking any clearing and *revegetation*, or other activity pursuant to this Permit the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of *weeds*:

- (a) Clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
- (b) Ensure that no weed-affected *mulch* or *fill* are brought into the area to be cleared; and
- (c) Restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.

5 Records to be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant in relation to the *revegetation* of areas pursuant to condition 1:

- (a) The commencement date of *revegetation*;
- (b) A description of the *revegetation* activities undertaken;
- (c) The size of the area *revegetated* (in hectares); and
- (d) The species, structure and composition of *revegetation* measured.

6 Reporting

The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of records required under condition 5 and activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.

DEFINITIONS

The following meanings are given to terms used in this Permit:

dieback means the effect of *Phytophthora* species on native vegetation;

environmental specialist means a person who is engaged by the permit holder for the purpose of providing environmental advice, who holds a tertiary qualification in environmental science or equivalent, and has experience relevant to the type of environmental advice that an environmental specialist is required to provide under this Permit;

fill means material used to increase the ground level, or fill a hollow;

mulch means the use of organic matter, wood chips or rocks to slow the movement of water across the soil surface and to reduce evaporation;

revegetate, revegetated and revegetation means the re-establishment of a cover of *native vegetation* in an area such that the species composition, structure and density is similar to pre-clearing vegetation types in that area, and can involve regeneration, direct seeding and/or planting;

weed means a species listed in Appendix 3 of the "Environmental Weed Strategy" published by the Department of Conservation and Land Management (1999), and plants declared under section 37 of the Agricultural and Related Resources Protection Act 1976.



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