



## CLEARING PERMIT

*Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986*

### PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 1278/2

File Number: DEC8477

Duration of Permit: From 15 March 2008 to 15 March 2013

### PERMIT HOLDER

Shire of Merredin

### LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

LOT 684 on DEPOSITED PLAN 154038

### AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

Clearing of up to 2.95 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 1278/2a.

### CONDITIONS

1. The Permit Holder shall not clear any trees with the exception of:
  - (a) two individual *Eucalyptus salubris*, located at the sites identified by GPS grid reference coordinates 0622078E x 6516942N and 0622097E x 6517033N;
  - (b) group of four *Eucalyptus salmonophloia* with trunk circumferences of less than 1.39 metres, located at the site identified by GPS grid reference coordinates 0622065E x 6517089N;
  - (c) two individual planted *Eucalyptus dumdasii*, located at the sites identified by GPS grid reference coordinates 0622101E x 6517133N and 0622089E x 6517140N; and
  - (d) *mallee/s*.
2. Revegetation
  - (a) Within twenty four months of the area being cleared, the Permit Holder must *revegetate* a minimum area of no less than 6 hectares and comprising:
    - (i) the area cross-hatched red on attached Plan 1278/2a; and
    - (ii) an additional area of a minimum of 3 hectares in size at a single consolidated location within the location identified on the attached Plan 1278/2b.
  - (b) The Permit Holder must *revegetate* the areas described in condition 2(a)(i) and 2(a)(ii) 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; and
    - (ii) ensuring only local provenance seeds and propagating material from within 10km of the area cleared are used to *revegetate* the area.
  - (c) Within one year of undertaking *revegetation* in accordance with condition 2(a), 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 2(b)(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 conditions 2(a)(i) and 2(a)(ii).

### 3. Records must be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to condition 2:

- (a) the commencement date of revegetation;
- (b) the location of any area revegetated recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
- (c) a description of the revegetation activities undertaken;
- (d) the size of the area revegetated (in hectares); and
- (e) the species, structure and composition of revegetation measured.

### 4. Reporting

- (a) The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of records required under condition 3 of this Permit and activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.
- (b) Before the expiry of the Permit, the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO a written report of records required under condition 3 of this Permit where these records have not already been provided under condition 4(a) of this Permit.

## DEFINITIONS

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

*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;

*mallee/s* means species of *Eucalyptus* having a number of stems arising from a large underground lignotuber

*revegetate/ed/ion* 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.



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