



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

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Permit holder:	Shire of Toodyay
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The permit holder is authorised to clear native vegetation for the above stated purposes, subject to the conditions of this Permit.

PART I – CLEARING AUTHORISED

1. Clearing authorised

- (a) Removal of four mature trees within Telegraph Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 695;
- (b) Removal of five mature trees within Bindi Bindi Toodyay Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 696;
- (c) Removal of two mature trees within Bindi Bindi Toodyay Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 698;
- (d) Removal of five mature trees within Bindi Bindi Toodyay Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 700;
- (e) Removal of one mature tree within Bindi Bindi Toodyay Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 701;
- (f) Removal of one mature tree within Coondle West Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 4088;
- (g) Removal of three mature trees within Bindi Bindi Toodyay Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 5262;
- (h) Removal of two mature trees within Dewars Pool Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 708;
- (i) Removal of three mature trees within Dewars Pool Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 709;
- (j) Removal of three mature trees within Dewars Pool Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 710;
- (k) Removal of three mature trees within Hall Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 4087;
- (l) Removal of eight mature trees within Dumbarton Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 4084;
- (m) Removal of three mature trees within Woodendale Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 4083;
- (n) Removal of four mature trees within Julimar Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 4080;
- (o) Removal of eight mature trees within Toodyay West Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 4085;
- (p) Removal of three mature trees within Wattening Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 4089;
- (q) Removal of four mature trees within Cobblers Pool Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 4090; and
- (r) Removal of three mature trees within Carroll Road Reserve, within 10m of Bridge 5027.

2. Area of clearing

Clearing of up to 1.5 hectares of native vegetation

3. Application

This Permit allows the permit holder to authorise persons, including employees, contractors and agents of the permit holder, to clear *native vegetation* for the purposes of this Permit subject to compliance with the conditions of this Permit and approval from the Permit Holder.

4. Compliance with Assessment Sequence and Management Procedures

Prior to clearing any native vegetation under conditions 1 and 2 of this Permit, the permit holder must comply with the Assessment Sequence and the Management Procedures set out in Part II of this Permit.

PART II – ASSESSMENT SEQUENCE AND MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES

5. Avoid, minimise etc clearing

- (a) In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared for the purposes of hazard reduction or fire control the Permit Holder must have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference:
- (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation;
 - (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and
 - (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.

6. Fauna management

- (a) Prior to clearing within the areas described in Clearing Authorised above, the areas shall be inspected by a *fauna specialist* who shall identify trees that contain hollows suitable to be utilised as habitat by fauna listed in the *Wildlife Conservation (Specially Protected Fauna) Notice 2005*.
- (b) The Permit Holder shall ensure that any fauna identified in condition 6(a) shall only be removed and relocated by a *fauna clearing person*, in accordance with a licence issued by the Department of Conservation and Land Management.

PART V – RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING

7. Records must be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit, as relevant:

- (a) in relation to the *clearing of native vegetation* undertaken pursuant to conditions 1 and 2:
- (i) the location where the clearing occurred, recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
 - (ii) the date that the area was cleared; and
 - (iii) the number of trees cleared in the area.

(b) in relation to fauna management:

- (i) the location of each tree in accordance with condition 6(a) recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
- (ii) the species of each tree identified in condition 6(a);
- (iii) the distance from the centre of road to the base of the tree identified in condition 6(a) and to be removed;
- (iv) the species of fauna reasonably likely to utilise, or that have been observed utilising the trees as habitat;
- (v) the species and number of each species relocated; and
- (vi) the location and date where relocated fauna was released, using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994.

8. Reporting

The Permit Holder must provide to the *CEO*, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of records requested under condition 7 and activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.

9. Definitions

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

CEO means the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Environment;

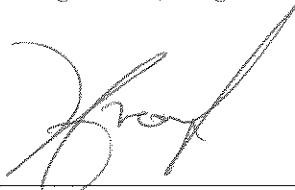
clearing has the meaning given to it in section 51A of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*;

EP Act means the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*;

fauna specialist means a person with training and specific work experience in fauna identification or faunal assemblage surveys of Western Australian fauna;

fauna clearing person means a person who has obtained a licence from the Department of Conservation and Land Management, issued pursuant to the *Wildlife Conservation Regulations 1970* (as amended) authorising them to take fauna in order to carry out the approved clearing associated with this permit.

native vegetation has the meaning given to it in sections 3 and 51A of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* and regulation 4 of the *Environmental Protection (Clearing of Native Vegetation) Regulations 2004*.



Fred Tromp

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