

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 1524 / 1

File Number: DEC542

Duration of Permit: From 17 September 2007 to 16 September 2012

PERMIT HOLDER

Shire of Northampton

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

LOT 12927 ON PLAN 41490 (KALBARRI 6536)

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

1. Clearing of up to 6 hectares of native vegetation within the area crosshatched yellow on attached Plan 1524/1.

CONDITIONS

- 1. At least once in each 12 month period for the *term* of this Permit, the Permit Holder must remove or kill any *weeds* growing within areas revegetated under this Permit.
- 2. (a) The Permit Holder shall retain the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing in accordance with this Permit.
 - (b) Within one month of the area no longer being required for the purpose of disposal cells the permit holder must revegetate the area 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 10km of the area cleared are used to revegetate the area;
 - (iii) Lay vegetative material and topsoil retained in accordance with condition 2(a) on the area.
 - (c) Within one year of undertaking revegetation in accordance with condition 2(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 2(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 2(b)(i) and (ii).
- 3. 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 the purpose of clearing:
 - (i) The species composition, structure and density of the cleared area;
 - (ii) The location where the clearing occurred, recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
 - (iii) The date that the area was cleared; and
 - (iv) The size of the area cleared (in hectares).

- (b) In relation to the revegetation of areas pursuant to condition 2:
 - (i) The commencement date of revegetation;
 - (ii) The location of any area revegetated recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
 - (iii) A description of the revegetation activities undertaken;
 - (iv) The size of the area revegetated (in hectares); and
 - (v) The species, structure and composition of revegetation measured.
- 4. The Permit Holder must provide to the *CEO*, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of records requested under condition 3 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:

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;

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;

term means the duration of this Permit, including as amended or renewed;

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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17 August 2007