

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Purpose permit number:	CPS 1573/1
Permit holder: Purpose of clearing:	Shire of Carnarvon Road Construction or Maintenance
Shire:	Carnarvon
Duration of permit:	11 February 2007 – 11 February 2016
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PART I-CLEARING AUTHORISED

1. Land on which clearing is to be done

Five hectares within Carnarvon Road and HMAS Sydney 11 Memorial Drive road reserves as depicted in the area hatched yellow on attached Plan 1573/1 A, Plan 1573/1 B, Plan 1573/C and Plan 1573/1 D.

2. Area of Clearing

The permit holder must not clear more than five 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

In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared for the purposes of gravel extraction 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.

- (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
- (ii) ensure that no weed-affected road building materials, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and
- (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.
- (b) 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 *cleared* and *revegetated* under this Permit.

PART III - 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:

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).

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 and Conservation;

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

EP Act means the Environmental Protection Act 1986;

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;

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

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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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of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

11 January 2007