



## CLEARING PERMIT

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

### PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 1734/1  
File Number: DEC2067  
Duration of Permit: From 22 July 2007 to 22 July 2009

### PERMIT HOLDER

Shire of Augusta-Margaret River

### LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Lot 53 on PLAN 240333  
Lot 281 on PLAN 195485  
Lot 282 on PLAN 195485

### AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

1. Clearing of 0.35 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 1734/1 for the purpose of rehabilitation and construction of stormwater bioremediation ponds.

### CONDITIONS

#### 1 Dieback and Weed Control

- a) When undertaking any clearing, *revegetation* and *rehabilitation*, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of *dieback*:
  - (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
  - (ii) avoid the movement of soil in wet conditions;
  - (iii) ensure that no *dieback*-affected materials are brought into an area that is not affected by *dieback*; and
  - (iv) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.
- b) When undertaking any clearing, *revegetation* and *rehabilitation*, 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*:
  - (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 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.
- c) 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, *revegetated* and *rehabilitated* under this Permit.

#### 2 Revegetation

- a) Within one month of the construction of bio remediation ponds, the permit holder must revegetate the area no longer required for the purpose of stormwater bioremediation pond construction 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.

- b) 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* in accordance with condition 2(a)(i); 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 condition 2(a)(i) and (ii).

### 3 Records to be Kept

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

In relation to the *revegetation* and *rehabilitation* of areas pursuant to condition 2:

- (i) The location of any area *revegetated* and *rehabilitated* recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
- (ii) A description of the *revegetation* and *rehabilitation* activities undertaken; and
- (iii) The size of the area *revegetated* and *rehabilitated* (in hectares).

### 4 Reporting

The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, a written report of records required under condition 3.

### 5 Definitions

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

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

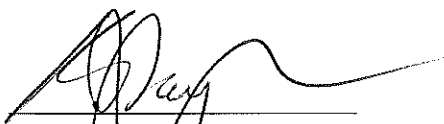
*Environmental Specialist* means a person who is engaged by the permit holder for the purpose of providing environmental advice, who holds a tertiary qualification in environmental science or equivalent, and has experience relevant to the type of environmental advice that an environmental specialist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

*rehabilitation* means actively managing an area containing native vegetation in order to improve the ecological function of that area;

*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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