

Summary Sheet – CPS1762/1

<u>Applicant:</u>	City of Albany
<u>Property:</u>	Various roads throughout the City
<u>Shire:</u>	City of Albany
<u>Proposed cleared area:</u>	14.9ha
<u>Purpose:</u>	Road realignment and widening
 <u>Date Received:</u>	 12 March 2007
 <u>Region:</u>	 South Coast Region

Assessment of Principles

The assessable criteria have been addressed, and the proposal:

- is not likely to be at variance to Principles (d), (h) and (j);
- may be at variance to Principles (a), (b), (c), (e), (f), (g), and (i); and

Principles (a), (b) and (c); Given that much of the City of Albany is highly cleared, and that known records of DRF and Priority Species are associated with some of the areas proposed to be cleared, roadside vegetation may be significant as a remnant for the continued existence of threatened flora and fauna within the Shire.

Principle (e): A number of the vegetation complexes within the application areas are poorly represented and occur in a landscape that has been highly cleared.

Recommendations

Given that the clearing application is for the purpose of road widening and realignment, it is recommended that a permit be granted to clear up to 14.9 hectares of native vegetation with the following conditions to protect the biodiversity values of the area under application:

- clearing of vegetation be avoided, and where this is not possible, minimised;
- dieback and weed control
- flora management
- fauna management
- offsets