



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 1768 / 1

File Number: DEC2166

Duration of Permit: From 11 June 2007 to 11 June 2009

PERMIT HOLDER

Rockingham Lifestyle Village Pty Ltd

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Lot 1 on Diagram 27568

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

1. Clearing of up to 5.45 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross hatched yellow on attached Plan 1768/1.

CONDITIONS

1. Avoid, minimise etc clearing

In determining the amount of *native vegetation* to be cleared for the purposes of building or structure 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.

2. Dieback and weed control

- (a) When undertaking any *clearing* and *revegetation*, or other activity pursuant to this Permit 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 *mulches* or *fill* 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 and *revegetation*, 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 *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.
- (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 and *revegetated* under this Permit.

3. Fauna management

- (a) Prior to clearing authorised under this permit, the areas shall be inspected by a *fauna specialist* who shall identify trees that contain hollows suitable to be utilised as habitat by fauna species from the *Calyptorhynchus* genus listed in the current *Wildlife Conservation (Specially Protected Fauna) Notice*.
- (b) Prior to clearing, any trees identified by condition 3(a) that contain hollows suitable to be utilised as habitat by fauna species from the *Calyptorhynchus* genus listed in the current *Wildlife Conservation (Specially Protected Fauna) Notice* shall be inspected by a *fauna specialist*.

- (c) Prior to clearing the Permit Holder shall ensure that any fauna identified in condition 3(b) shall be removed and relocated by a *fauna clearing person*, in accordance with a licence issued by the Department of Environment and Conservation.

4. 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 Fauna Management pursuant to condition 3:
- (i) The location of each habitat tree identified recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
 - (ii) The species of each habitat tree identified;
 - (iii) The species of fauna reasonably likely to utilise, or that have been observed utilising the habitat trees;
 - (iv) The species and number of each species relocated; and
 - (v) The location and date where relocated fauna was released, using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994.

5. Reporting

The Permit Holder must provide to the *CEO* on or before 30 June of each year, for the *term* of this permit, a written report of records requested under condition 4 and activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.

6. Definitions

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

CEO means the Chief Executive Officer of the Department responsible for the administration of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*;

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

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 Environment and Conservation, 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.

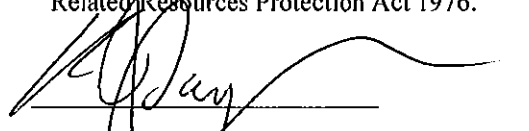
fill means material used to increase the ground level, or fill a hollow;

mulch means the use of organic matter, wood chips or rocks to slow the movement of water across the soil surface and to reduce evaporation;

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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