



GOVERNMENT OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Purpose permit number:	CPS 1943/1
Permit holder:	Electricity Networks Corporation, trading as Western Power
Purpose of clearing:	Construction of a double circuit 132kV transmission line
Shire:	City of Gosnells and City of Armadale
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The Permit Holder is authorised to clear native vegetation for the above stated purpose, subject to the conditions of this Permit, including as amended or renewed.

PART I – CLEARING AUTHORISED

1. Land on which clearing is to be done

- (a) Southern River Road, south-eastern road reserve extending approximately 1000 metres in a north-east direction from the intersection with Ranford Road;
- (b) Ranford Road, north-eastern road reserve between and including intersections with Southern River Road and Skeet Road;
- (c) Skeet Road, south-eastern road reserve extending approximately 900 metres in a south-west direction from the intersection with Ranford Road;
- (d) Lot 100 on Plan 42005, south-western side adjacent Lot 1768 on Plan 3315 extending from Lot 100 on Plan 42005 to Southern River Road;
- (e) Lot 1768 on Plan 3315, north-eastern side adjacent Lot 100 on Plan 42005 extending from Lot 100 on Plan 42005 to Southern River Road, and north-western side adjacent Southern River Road;
- (f) Lot 21 on Diagram 41667, north-western side adjacent Southern River Road;
- (g) Lot 1769 on Plan 3315, north-western side adjacent Southern River Road (Bush Forever site 413);
- (h) Lot 1770 on Plan 3315, north-western side adjacent Southern River Road, and south-western side adjacent Ranford Road (Bush Forever site 413);
- (i) Lot 69 on Plan 226007, north-western side adjacent Skeet Road (Bush Forever site 342); and
- (j) Lot 67 on Plan 226007, north-western side adjacent Skeet Road (Bush Forever site 342).

2. Area of Clearing

Clearing of up to 0.2 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 purpose of constructing a double circuit 132kV transmission line the Permit Holder must have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference:

- (a) avoid the clearing of native vegetation;
- (b) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and
- (c) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.

6. 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 *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 *road building* material 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.

7. Revegetation

(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 constructing the transmission line the Permit Holder must *revegetate* any clearing of vegetation within Bush Forever sites 413 and 342 pursuant to condition 1(a) 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; and
- (iii) laying vegetative material and topsoil retained in accordance with condition 7(a) on the area.

(c) Within one year of undertaking *revegetation* in accordance with condition 7(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 7(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 7(b)(i) and (ii).

PART III – RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING

8. Records must be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to conditions 1 and 2 of 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 in accordance with condition 7:
 - (i) the location of any area *revegetated* be recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
 - (ii) a description of the *revegetation* activities; and
 - (iii) the size of the area *revegetated* (in hectares).

9. Reporting

The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 March of each year, a written report of records required under condition 8 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.

revegetate / revegetated / 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 natural regeneration, direct seeding and/or planting;

road building material means rock, gravel, soil, stone, timber, boulders and water;

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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