

Clearing Permit Decision Report

Application details

Permit application details

Permit application No.:

Permit type:

Purpose Permit

Proponent details 1.2.

Proponent's name:

Peter Clifford Wallinger

1.3. **Property details**

Property:

UNALLOCATED CROWN LAND (MOUNT BARKER 6324)

Local Government Area:

Shire Of Plantagenet

Colloquial name:

UCL - Bourke Street

Application

Clearing Area (ha)

No. Trees

Method of Clearing

For the purpose of:

0.81

Mechanical Removal

Miscellaneous

2. Site Information

Existing environment and information

2.1.1. Description of the native vegetation under application

Vegetation Description

Clearing Description

Vegetation Condition Comment

3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments

The proposal to clear up to 0.81 hectares for the purpose of storing materials and equipment is unlikely to have any significant environmental impacts.

There are two declared rare flora in the vicinity of the project (10km radius) however due to a recent fire event (Site Inspection, 2008) it is considered unlikely that Caladenia christineae would occurred within the applied area. (Saftrom and Lemson, 1997). The presence of DRF Verticordia endlicheriana var augustifolia is also considered unlikely as the species is usually associated with granite outcrops of which there are none within the applied area.

The vegetation to be cleared is well represented in the local area, and clearing would not have a detrimental impact on fauna. There are no Threatened Ecological Communities or EPP Areas in the local area (10km radius).

Clearing is unlikely to impact on land degradation or water quality given the high vegetation representation.

Given the limited extent of the proposal it is unlikely to be at variance to any clearing principles.

Methodology

References:

- Site Inspection (2008)
- Saftrom and Lemson (1997)
- Shepherd et al. (2001)
- Northcote et al. (1968)

GIS Database:

- SAC Biodatasets
- Mattiske Vegetation Complexes
- Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation of Australia
- EPP, Areas
- Hydrogeology, Statewide
- Soils, Statewide
- Native Title Claims

Planning instrument, Native Title, Previous EPA decision or other matter.

Comments

There is a registered Native Title Claim which encompasses the applied area however South West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council advised that they had no comment on the application at this stage.

Methodology

4. Assessor's comments

Purpose Method Applied

Comment

area (ha)/ trees

MiscellaneousMechanical 0.81

The proposal has been assessed and is not likely to be at variance with any Clearing Principles.

Removal

5. References

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6. Glossary

Term Meaning

BCS Biodiversity Coordination Section of DEC

CALM Department of Conservation and Land Management (now BCS)

DAFWA Department of Agriculture and Food

DEC Department of Environment and Conservation
DEP Department of Environmental Protection (now DEC)

DoE Department of Environment

DoIR Department of Industry and Resources

DRF Declared Rare Flora

EPP Environmental Protection Policy
GIS Geographical Information System
ha Hectare (10,000 square metres)
TEC Threatened Ecological Community

WRC Water and Rivers Commission (now DEC)