

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number: 2256 / 1

File Number: DEC5646

Duration of Permit: From 17 May 2008 to 17 May 2013

PERMIT HOLDER

Water Corporation

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Leeman Road Reserve (Leeman 6514)
Greenhead Road Reserve (Greenhead 6514)
Lot 12178 on Plan 39607
Lot 9759 on Plan 39607
Lot 11679 on Plan 188122
Unallocated Crown Land (Greenhead 6514)

Coorow - Greenhead Road Reserve (Leeman 6514; Greenhead 6514; Warradarge 6518)

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

Clearing for the purpose of Infrastructure maintenance

CONDITIONS

- 1. Clearing of up to 12 hectares of native vegetation within the area filled yellow on attached Plan 2256/1a, 2256/1b, 2256/1c, 2256/1d, 2256/1e, 2256/1f, 2256/1g and 2256/1h.
- 2. In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared for the purpose of Infrastructure maintenance 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.

3. Dieback and Weed Control

- (a) When undertaking any clearing, 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 *road building materials*, *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 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 road building materials, 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 under this Permit.

4. Revegetation

- (a) The Permit Holder shall stockpile the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing in accordance with this permit.
- (b) Within fourteen calendar days of the area no longer being required for the purpose of infrastructure maintenance the Permit Holder must lay the vegetative material and topsoil retained in accordance with condition 4(a) on the area.

5. Records to be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records in relation to the clearing of native vegetation undertaken pursuant to the purpose of clearing:

- (a) The species composition, structure and density of the cleared area;
- (b) The location where the clearing occurred, recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
- (c) The date that the area was cleared; and
- (d) The size of the area cleared (in hectares).

6. Reporting

The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of records requested under condition 5 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:

dieback means the effect of Phytophthora species on native vegetation;

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;

road building materials 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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of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

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