

## **Clearing Permit Decision Report**

## 1. Application details

## 1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.:

2313/1

Permit type:

**Purpose Permit** 

1.2. Proponent details

Proponent's name:

Shire of Nannup

1.3. Property details

Property:

ROAD RESERVE STATE FOREST 36

Local Government Area:

Colloquial name:

Shire Of Nannup

1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)

No. Trees

Method of Clearing

For the purpose of:

.5 Mechanical Removal

Road construction or maintenance

## 2. Assessment of application against clearing principles

#### Comments

The proposal to clear 1.5ha of native vegetation for the purpose of road construction or maintenance may have detrimental environmental impacts.

One declared rare flora in the local area (Meziella trifida) however it is unlikely to occur in the applied area due to the different vegetation types.

The local area (10km radius) is highly vegetated therefore it is not likely to be significant as fauna habitat.

No threatened ecological communities have been identified in the vicinity of the project (10km radius)...

The proposal is within a high to moderate salinity risk area and exists within the Donnelly River hydrographic Catchment (Basin) clearing is unlikely to impact on land degradation or water quality given the high vegetation representation.

Given the proposal is within State Forest it may be at variance to clearing principle (h) given likely impact on the conservation values in the area, therefore if granted conditions to revegetate area on completion of works will be imposed. The proposal is unlikely to be at variance to the remaining principles.

## Methodology

## GIS Database:

- Clearing Regulations Environmentally Sensitive Areas
- SAC Biodatasets
- EPA Position Paper Number 2, Agriculturla regions
- Mattiske Vegetation Complexes
- Pre-European vegetatin
- Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation of Australia
- Hydrography, linear
- Geomorphic Wetlands (Classification), Swan Coastal Plain
- EPP. Areas
- EPP, Lakes
- Acid Sulfate Soil Rick Map, Swan Coastal Plain
- Soils, statewide
- Groundwater Salinity, statewide
- Hydrogeology, statewide
- Topographic contours, statewide
- Rainfall, Mean Annual
- Evapotranspiration, Areal Actual
- Public Drinking Water Source Areas (PDWSAs)
- Hydrogeographic Catchments, Basins
- Hydrogeographic Catchments, Catchments
- Hydrogeographic Catchments, Divisions
- Hydrogeographic Catchments, Subcatchments

#### CALM Managed Lands & Waters

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

#### Comments

There is a registered Native Title Claim which encompasses the applied area however as the area is not freehold land (Road Reserve and State Forest 36) a future act is not triggered.

It is considered that the clearing as proposed is unlikely to be at variance with to any of the clearing principles.

## Methodology

GIS Database:

Native Title Claims

## 3. Assessor's comments

Purpose Method Applied

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area (ha)/ trees

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Road Mechanical construction oRemoval maintenance

The assessable criteria have been addressed and the clearing as proposed is unlikely to be at variance with any of the Principles.

Supply of gravel and rocks for the upgrade to Pneumonia road for road construction and water crossings.

## 4. References

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### 5. 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

DolR 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)