



1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 2349/1
 Permit type: Purpose Permit

1.2. Proponent details

Proponent's name: Kununurra Chamber of Commerce and Industry

1.3. Property details

Property: LOT 3002 ON PLAN 46759
 Local Government Area: Shire Of Wyndham-East Kimberley
 Colloquial name:

1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)	No. Trees	Method of Clearing	For the purpose of:
0.6		Mechanical Removal	Miscellaneous

2. Site Information

2.1. Existing environment and information

2.1.1. Description of the native vegetation under application

Vegetation Description	Clearing Description	Vegetation Condition	Comment
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3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments

The proposal to clear up to 0.6 hectares for the purpose of a concert venue is unlikely to have any significant environmental impacts.

There are no declared rare flora or threatened ecological communities in the vicinity of the project. The vegetation to be cleared is well represented in the local area (Shepherd, 2001), and clearing would not have a detrimental impact on fauna.

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

The area is within the Ramsar and ANCA wetland boundary, however it does not contain values consistent with Ramsar or ANCA criteria.

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

Methodology

References:
 - Shepherd et al. (2001)

GIS Database:
 - SAC Biodatasets
 - Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation of Australia
 - Threatened Ecological Communities
 - EPP, Areas
 - Hydrogeology, Statewide

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

Comments

The Department of Water and Shire of Wyndham-East Kimberley are co-vestees of the applied area. Both vestees have shown support for this work (dependant on certain conditions.) (See Department of Water Submission, 2008; DOC50081).

Native Title has been determined for the Mirriuwung Gajerrong peoples however the applied area is designated as Reserve under Management Order and thus extinguishes Native Title Claim within the applied area.

Applicant may require a Beds and Banks Licence depending on vegetation extraction methods, advised to contact Department of Water regarding this matter.

Methodology

References:

- Department of Water Submission (2008)

GIS Database:

- Native Title Claims

4. Assessor's comments

Purpose	Method	Applied area (ha)/ trees	Comment
Miscellaneous	Mechanical Removal	0.6	The assessable criteria have been addressed and the clearing as proposed is unlikely to be at variance with any of the Principles.

5. References

- Keighery, B.J. (1994) Bushland Plant Survey: A Guide to Plant Community Survey for the Community. Wildflower Society of WA (Inc). Nedlands, Western Australia.
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- Shepherd, D.P., Beeston, G.R. and Hopkins, A.J.M. (2001) Native Vegetation in Western Australia, Extent, Type and Status. Resource Management Technical Report 249. Department of Agriculture, Western Australia.

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)