



## CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

### PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 2467 / 2  
File Number: DEC9172  
Duration of Permit: From 19 July 2008 to 19 July 2010

### PERMIT HOLDER

Shire of Bridgetown - Greenbushes

### LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

ROAD RESERVE (WOODWARD STREET, GREENBUSHES 6254)  
ROAD RESERVE (FLINTOFF ROAD, HESTER BROOK 6255)  
ROAD RESERVE (ROE STREET, BRIDGETOWN 6255)  
ROAD RESERVE (BROCKMAN HWY, MARANUP 6256)  
ROAD RESERVE (LAYMAN STREET, BRIDGETOWN 6255)  
ROAD RESERVE (LINDSAY ROAD, GREENBUSHES 6254)  
ROAD RESERVE (GEORGE STREET, GREENBUSHES 6254)  
ROAD RESERVE (PADBURY, BRIDGETOWN 6255)  
ROAD RESERVE (WARBURTONS ROAD, HESTER BROOK 6255)  
ROAD RESERVE (HESTER ROAD, HESTER 6255)

### AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

Clearing of up to 0.484 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross hatched yellow on attached Plan 2467/2a, Plan 2467/2b, Plan 2467/2c, Plan 2467/2d, Plan 2467/2e, Plan 2467/2f and Plan 2467/2g.

### CONDITIONS

#### 1 Avoid, minimise etc clearing

In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared for the purpose of road upgrades, 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.

#### 2 Dieback and weed control

- (a) When undertaking any clearing, or other activity pursuant to this Permit 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, mulch 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.

### 3 Flora Management

- (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing within the Brockman Highway road reserve, the area shall be inspected by a *flora specialist* who shall identify *rare flora* and *priority flora taxa*.
- (b) Where *rare flora* and *priority flora taxa* are identified in relation to condition 3(a) the Permit Holder shall ensure that:
  - (i) All records of rare and priority flora taxa are submitted to the CEO;
  - (ii) No clearing occurs within 50m of identified *rare flora*, unless approved by the CEO; and
  - (iii) No clearing occurs with 10m of identified *priority flora taxa*, unless approved by the CEO.

### 4 Fauna Management

- (a) Prior to clearing within the area described in Authorised Activity above, the area shall be inspected by a *fauna specialist* who shall identify trees that contain hollows suitable to be utilised as habitat trees by fauna listed in the *Wildlife Conservation (Specially Protected Fauna) Notice 2008*.
- (b) Prior to clearing, any habitat identified by condition 4(a) shall be inspected by a *fauna specialist* for the presence of fauna listed in the *Wildlife Conservation (Specially Protected Fauna) Notice 2008*.
- (c) Prior to clearing the Permit Holder shall ensure that any fauna identified in condition 4(b) shall be removed and relocated by a *fauna clearing person*, in accordance with a licence issued by the Department of Environment and Conservation.

### 5 Records must be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to 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 Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 1994 (GDA94), expressing the geographical coordinates in Easting's and Northing's;
  - (iii) the date that the area was cleared; and
  - (iv) the size of the area cleared (in hectares).
- (b) In relation to Flora Management pursuant to condition 3:
  - (i) the location of each *rare flora* and *priority flora taxa* recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994; and
  - (ii) the species of each *rare flora* and *priority flora taxa* identified.
- (c) In relation to Fauna Management pursuant to condition 4:
  - (i) the location of each habitat tree identified recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
  - (ii) the species of each habitat tree identified;
  - (iii) the species of fauna reasonably likely to utilise, or that have been observed utilising the habitat trees;
  - (iv) the species and number of each species relocated; and
  - (v) the location and date where relocated fauna was released, using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994.

## 6 Reporting

- (a) The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of records required under condition 5 and activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.
- (b) Prior to 19 March 2010, the permit holder must provide to the CEO a written report of records required under condition 5 where these records have not already been provided under condition 6(a).

## DEFINITIONS

*dieback* means the effect of *Phytophthora* species on native vegetation.

*fauna specialist* means a person with training and specific work experience in fauna identification or faunal assemblage surveys of Western Australian fauna.

*fauna clearing person* means a person who has obtained a licence from the *Department*, issued pursuant to the *Wildlife Conservation Regulations 1970* authorising them to take fauna.

*fill* means material used to increase the ground level, or fill a hollow.

*flora specialist* means a person with specific training and/or experience in the ecology and taxonomy of Western Australian flora.

*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.

*priority flora taxa* means those plant taxa that described as priority flora classes 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the Department of Environment and Conservation's Declared Rare and Priority Flora List for Western Australia (as amended).

*rare flora* means flora that is declared to be rare flora under section 23F of the *Wildlife Conservation Act 1950*.

*road building materials* means rock, gravel, soil, stone, timber, boulders and water.

*weed/s* 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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