

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number:

2501 / 1

File Number:

DEC7695

Duration of Permit:

From 10 August 2008 to 10 August 2013

PERMIT HOLDER

Shire of Northampton

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Red Bluff Road.

PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE CLEARING MAY BE DONE

Clearing for the purpose of road upgrades.

CONDITIONS

- 1 The Permit Holder must not clear more than 4.2 hectares of native vegetation, within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plans 2501/1a and 2501/1b.
- 2 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.

3 Weed control

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*:

- (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared:
- (b) ensure that no weed-affected road building materials, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and
- (c) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.

4 Records must be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit, in relation to the clearing of native vegetation undertaken pursuant to the purpose of clearing:

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

5 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 4 and activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.
- (b) Before the expiry of the permit, the permit holder must provide to the CEO a written report of records required under condition 4 where these records have not already been provided under condition 5 (a).

DEFINITIONS

The following meanings are given to terms used in this Permit:

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;

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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Officer delegated under Section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

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