



## CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

<b>Purpose permit number:</b>	CPS 2628/1
<b>Permit holder:</b>	Busselton Water
<b>Purpose of clearing:</b>	Installation of water mains
<b>Shire:</b>	Busselton
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The permit holder is authorised to clear native vegetation for the above stated purposes, subject to the conditions of this Permit.

### **PART I – CLEARING AUTHORISED**

#### **1. Land on which clearing is to be done**

Rendezvous Road, road reserve, Vasse

#### **2. Area of Clearing**

The Permit Holder must not clear more than 10 native trees, within the areas shaded yellow on attached Plans 2628/1a and 2628/1b.

#### **3. Application**

This Permit allows the permit holder to authorise persons, including employees, contractors and agents of the permit holder, to clear native vegetation for the purposes of this Permit subject to compliance with the conditions of this Permit and approval from the Permit Holder.

#### **4. Type of clearing authorised**

This Permit authorises the permit holder to clear native vegetation for activities to the extent that the permit holder has the power to clear native vegetation for those activities under the *Local Government Act 1995* or any other written law.

#### **5. Compliance with Assessment Sequence and Management Procedures**

Prior to clearing any native vegetation under conditions 1 and 2 of this Permit, the permit holder must comply with the Assessment Sequence and the Management Procedures set out in Part II of this Permit.

### **PART II – ASSESSMENT SEQUENCE AND MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES**

#### **6. Avoid, minimise etc clearing**

In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared for the purposes of installation of water mains 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.

## 7. Fauna management

- (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing within the areas described in condition 1 of this Permit, the areas shall be inspected by a *fauna specialist* who shall identify habitat tree(s) suitable to be utilised by Western Ringtail Possum (*Pseudocheirus occidentalis*)
- (b) Prior to clearing, any habitat tree(s) identified by condition 7(a) shall be inspected by a fauna specialist for the presence of fauna listed in condition 7(a).
- (c) Prior to clearing, the Permit Holder shall ensure that any fauna identified by condition 7(b) shall be removed and relocated by a *fauna clearing person*, in accordance with a licence issued by the *Department*.

## PART III – RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING

### 8. 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 conditions 1 and 2:
  - (i) the location where the clearing occurred, recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
  - (ii) the date that the area was cleared; and
  - (iii) the size of the area cleared (in hectares).
- (b) In relation to fauna management pursuant to condition 7 of this Permit:
  - (i) the location of each habitat tree reasonably likely to be utilised by Western Ringtail Possum (*Pseudocheirus occidentalis*), recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
  - (ii) the location of each habitat tree being utilised by Western Ringtail Possum (*Pseudocheirus occidentalis*), using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994; and
  - (iii) the location and date where Western Ringtail Possum (*Pseudocheirus occidentalis*) were released, using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994.

### 9. 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 8 and activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.
- (b) Prior to 21 June 2013, the permit holder must provide to the CEO a written report of records required under condition 8 where these records have not already been provided under condition 9(a).

## Definitions

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

*Department* means the Department of Environment and Conservation (Western Australia);

*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



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