

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Purpose permit number:

CPS 2710/3

Permit holder:

Electricity Generation Corporation T/A Verve Energy

Duration of permit:

20 December 2008 - 20 December 2018

The permit holder is authorised to clear native vegetation subject to the following conditions of this Permit.

PART I - CLEARING AUTHORISED

Purpose for which clearing may be done
 Clearing for the purpose of installation of a saline booster pump station.

Land on which clearing is to be done
 Lot 3501 on Deposited Plan 56282, Worsley

3. Area of Clearing

The permit holder must not clear more than 0.23 hectares of native vegetation within the area shaded yellow on attached Plan 2710/3.

4. 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.

5. 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 *Energy Operators (Powers) Act 1979* or any other written law.

6. 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

7. Dieback and weed control

- (a) When undertaking any clearing or other activity authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds and dieback:
 - clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
 - (ii) shall not move soils in wet conditions;
 - (iii) ensure that no dieback or weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and
 - (iv) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.
- (b) At least once in each 12 month period for the *term* of this Permit, the Permit Holder must remove or kill any *weeds* growing within areas cleared under this Permit.

DEFINITIONS

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

dieback means the effect of Phytophthora species on native vegetation;

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;

term means the duration of this Permit, including as amended or renewed;

weed/s means any plant -

- (a) that is declared under section 37 of the Agriculture and Related Resources Protection Act 1976; or
- (b) published in the Department of Environment and Conservation Regional Weed Assessments, regardless of ranking; or
- (c) not indigenous to the area concerned.

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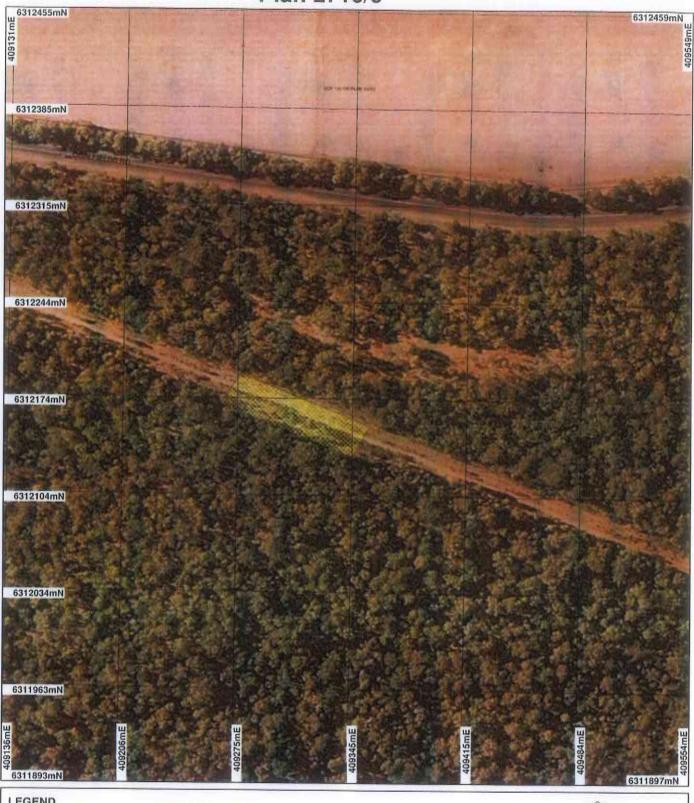
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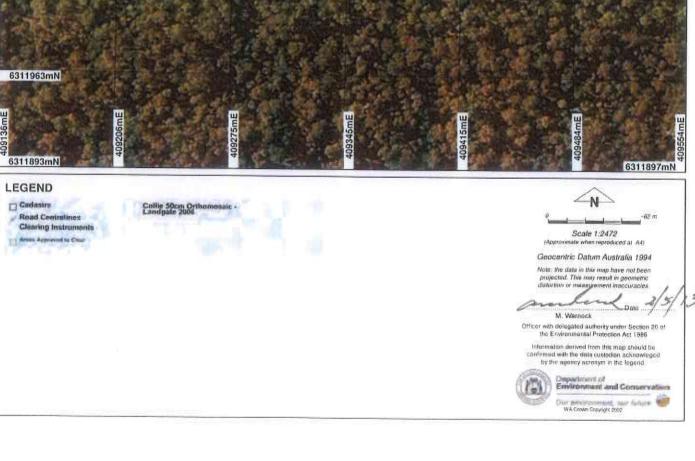
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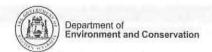
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2 May 2013

Plan 2710/3







Clearing Permit Decision Report

1. Application details

Permit application details 1.1.

Permit application No.:

2710/3

Permit type:

Purpose Permit

Proponent details 1.2.

Proponent's name:

Electricity Generation Corporation TA Verve Energy

1.3. Property details

LOT 3501 ON PLAN 56282 (WORSLEY 6225)

Local Government Area:

Shire of Collie

Colloquial name:

Application Clearing Area (ha)

No. Trees

Method of Clearing

For the purpose of: Building or Structure

0.23 Mechanical Removal

1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application:

Decision Date:

2 May 2013

2. Site Information

Existing environment and information

2.1.1. Description of the native vegetation under application

Vegetation Description

Beard Vegetation Association 3:

Medium forest; jarrahmarri. (Shepherd, 2009)

Mattiske Vegetation Complex Dwellingup: Open forest of Eucalyptus Clearing Description The application is for the clearing of 0.23ha of native vegetation for the

construction of a saline

booster pump.

Vegetation Condition

Completely Degraded: No longer intact; completely/almost

native species (Keighery 1994) Comment

The vegetation condition was determined from aerial

imagery.

completely without

marginata subsp. marginata-Corymbia calophylla on lateritic uplands in mainly humid and subhumid zones. (Mattiske Consulting,

1998)

Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments

This amendment has been made to extend the permit duration until December 2018 and update the property details to reflect the new title that has been issued.

The assessment against the clearing principles has not changed and can be found in Decision Report CPS 2710/1 and CPS 2710/2.

Methodology

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

Comments

The assessment against Planning and Other Matters has not changed and can be found in Decision Report CPS 2710/1 and CPS 2710/2.

Methodology

4. References

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Shepherd, D.P. (2009) Adapted from: Shepherd, D.P., Beeston, G.R., and Hopkins, A.J.M. (2001), Native Vegetation in Western Australia. Technical Report 249. Department of Agriculture Western Australia, South Perth.

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)