

Clearing Permit Decision Report

1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.:

2825/1

Permit type:

Area Permit

1.2. Proponent details

Proponent's name:

Vaughan & Jane Hanbury

1.3. Property details

Property:

LOT 142 ON PLAN 47 (House No. 8 GROVE LITTLE GROVE 6330) LOT 142 ON PLAN 47 (House No. 8 GROVE LITTLE GROVE 6330)

Local Government Area:

Colloquial name:

City Of Albany

1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)

No. Trees

Method of Clearing

For the purpose of:

Mechanical Removal

Landscaping

2. Site Information

Existing environment and information

2.1.1. Description of the native vegetation under application

Vegetation Description

The vegetation of the area under application is a component of Beard Unit 423 (Hopkins et al. 2007) and can be further described as 'Shrublands; Acacia scrub-heath (unknown spp.)'

Clearing Description

Two trees proposed to be cleared are located on residential land parcel. Surrounding properties contain similar and mostly denser vegetation occurrences to what occurs Vegetation Condition

Degraded: Structure severely disturbed; regeneration to good condition requires intensive management (Keighery 1994)

Comment

Vegetation condition established through aerial photography.

3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

on this land parcel.

Comments

The proposed clearing of two (2) trees for structural maintenance purposes is not likely to impact on biodiversity, land degradation or environmental water values within the local or regional context.

Nil permit conditions are recommended.

Methodology

Hopkins et al. (2001) Shepherd et al. (2007) GIS databases:

- Mattiske Vegetation (1998)

- Pre-European vegetation - DA 01/01

- Shepherd (2007)

- SAC Biodatasets 28/08/08

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

Comments

The area proposed to be cleared is zoned residential in the Town Planning Scheme.

Methodology

GIS database:

- Town Planning Scheme Zones

Assessor's comments

Comment

The application has been assessed against the clearing principles, planning instruments and other matters in accordance with s510 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986, and the proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance to the clearing 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.

Shepherd, D.P. (2007). 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. Includes subsequent updates for 2006 from Vegetation Extent dataset ANZWA1050000124.

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

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)