



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 2926/3

File Number: DEC1107-03

Duration of Permit: From 25 August 2011 to 30 April 2019

PERMIT HOLDER

North East Equity Pty Ltd

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

LOT 201 ON PLAN 55361 (WANERIE)

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 109 hectares of native vegetation within the area hatched yellow on attached Plan 2926/3a.

CONDITIONS

1. Dieback and weed control

When undertaking any clearing 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*:

- (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
- (b) only move soils in *dry conditions*;
- (c) ensure that no *dieback* or *weed*-affected soil, *mulch*, *fill* or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and
- (d) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.

2. Rehabilitation

- (a) In respect to the area hatched red on attached Plan 2926/3a, the Permit Holder must implement and adhere to the Lot 201 Beermullah Road West, Wanerie Rehabilitation Management Plan (Version 8218-2580-10R Final) provided to the *Department* on 2 October 2012.
- (b) The Permit Holder must commence implementation of the Lot 201 Beermullah Road West, Wanerie Rehabilitation Management Plan (Version 8218-2580-10R Final) no later than 30 April 2014.

3. Native vegetation conservation

- (a) In respect to the area hatched red on attached Plan 2926/3a, and the area hatched blue on attached Plan 2926/3b, the Permit Holder shall enter into conservation covenants, agreements to reserve, or some other form of binding undertaking to maintain native vegetation.

- (b) The conservation covenants, agreements to reserve, or other form of binding undertaking to maintain native vegetation, shall include, but not be limited to, the following conditions:
 - (i) native vegetation in the area subject to the conservation covenants, agreements to reserve, or other form of binding undertaking to maintain native vegetation, must not be cleared, other than for clearing required under the *Bush Fires Act 1954*;
 - (ii) the land subject to the conservation covenants, agreements to reserve, or other form of binding undertaking to maintain native vegetation, shall not be used for the purpose of cultivation of crops or pasture;
 - (iii) the land subject to the conservation covenants, agreements to reserve, or other form of binding undertaking to maintain native vegetation, shall have all stock excluded; and
 - (iv) the conservation covenants, agreements to reserve, or other form of binding undertaking to maintain native vegetation, are to apply in perpetuity and be registered on the Certificates of Title of the properties.
- (c) The Permit Holder is to execute and return the conservation covenants, agreements to reserve, or other form of binding undertaking to maintain native vegetation, outlined in condition 3(a) of this Permit, no later than 30 April 2014.

4. Records must be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit:

- (a) In relation to the rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 2 of this Permit:
 - (i) a description of the activities undertaken in accordance with the Rehabilitation Management Plan;
 - (ii) the results of monitoring undertaken in accordance with the Rehabilitation Management Plan.
- (b) In relation to native vegetation conservation of areas pursuant to condition 3 of this Permit, a copy of each conservation covenant, agreement to reserve, or other form of binding undertaking to maintain native vegetation.

5. Reporting

- (a) The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO on or before 30 June of each year, a written report:
 - (i) of records required under condition 4(a) of this Permit; and
 - (ii) concerning activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.
- (b) Prior to 30 January 2019, the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO a written report of records required under condition 4 of this Permit where these records have not already been provided under condition 5(a) of this Permit.

Definitions

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

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

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

dry conditions means when soils (not dust) do not freely adhere to rubber tyres, tracks, vehicle chassis or wheel arches;

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;

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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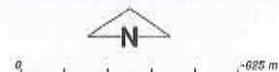
Plan 2926/3a



LEGEND

- ☐ Cadastre
- ☒ Road Centrelines
- ☒ Clearing Instruments
- ☒ Areas Applied to Clear
- ☒ Areas Subject to Conditions (cont)

☐ Areas Approved to Clear
Gingin 50cm Orthomosaic -
Landgate 2008



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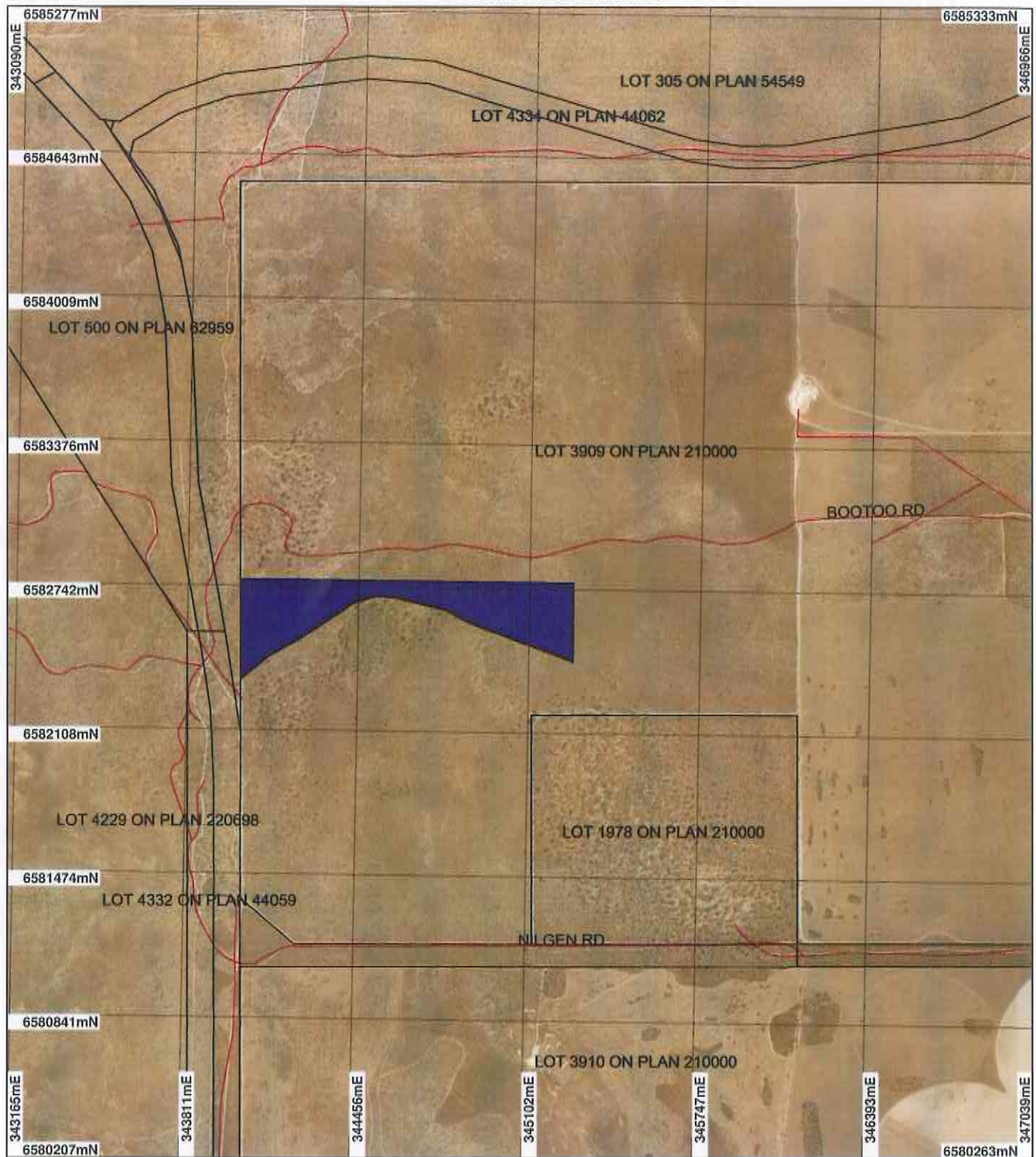
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Plan 2926/3b



LEGEND

Wedge Island 1.4m
Orthomosaic - Landgate
2004
Clearing Instruments
Areas Subject to Conditions
Road Centrelines

□ Cadastre



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1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 2926/3
Permit type: Area Permit

1.2. Proponent details

Proponent's name: North East Equity Pty Ltd

1.3. Property details

Property: LOT 201 ON PLAN 55361 (WANERIE 6503)
Local Government Area: Shire of Gingin
Colloquial name:

1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)	No. Trees	Method of Clearing	For the purpose of:
109		Mechanical Removal	Horticulture

1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application: Grant
Decision Date: 16 May 2013

2. Site Information

2.1. Existing environment and information

2.1.1. Description of the native vegetation under application

Vegetation Description

The vegetation within the area under application is mapped as two Heddle complexes and two Beard associations.

- Heddle (1980) Caladenia Complex, described as a mosaic of vegetation from adjacent vegetation complexes of Karrakatta, Yanga and Bassendean; predominantly low open forest and low woodland of Banksia species - Eucalyptus tottiana (Pricklybark), less consistently with open forest of Eucalyptus gomphocephala (Tuart).

- Heddle (1980) Bassendean Complex - North, described as vegetation ranging from a low open forest and low open woodland of Banksia species - Eucalyptus tottiana (Pricklybark) to low woodland of Melaleuca species and sedgelands which occupy the moister sites.

- Beard Association 949, described as low woodland; Banksia species.

- Beard Association 1013, described as medium open woodland; Eucalyptus species over teatree.

Clearing Description

On 14 February 2011 the Minister for Environment partially upheld the applicants appeal against DEC's refusal to grant clearing permit CPS2926/1 (297.3 ha). In accordance with the Ministers decision, approval for a smaller area of 109 hectares of native vegetation was granted (CPS 2926/2).

Vegetation Condition

Good: Structure significantly altered by multiple disturbance; retains basic structure/ability to regenerate (Keighery 1994)

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

Comment

The condition of the vegetation was determined by a site inspection and aerial photography.

3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments This amendment has been made following discussions with the Permit Holder regarding the rehabilitation/revegetation requirements of CPS 2926/2. The rehabilitation/revegetation requirements have been amended and an additional offset conditioned. The assessment against the ten clearing principles has not changed and can be found in Clearing Permit Decision Report CPS 2926/1.

Methodology

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

Comments The assessment against planning instruments and other matters has not changed and can be found in Clearing Permit Decision Report CPS 2926/1.

Methodology

4. References

Heddle, E. M., Loneragan, O. W., and Havel, J. J. (1980) Vegetation Complexes of the Darling System, Western Australia. In Department of Conservation and Environment, Atlas of Natural Resources, Darling System, Western Australia.
Keighery, B.J. (1994) Bushland Plant Survey: A Guide to Plant Community Survey for the Community. Wildflower Society of WA (Inc). Nedlands, Western Australia.

5. Glossary

Term	Meaning
DEC	Department of Environment and Conservation
ha	Hectare (10,000 square metres)