

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 2926/4

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 cross hatched yellow on attached Plan 2926/4a.

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. Offset - Rehabilitation

- (a) In respect to the area cross hatched red on attached Plan 2926/4a, 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. Offset - Native vegetation conservation

(a) In respect to the area cross hatched red on attached Plan 2926/4a, the Permit Holder shall enter into a conservation covenant, agreement to reserve, or some other form of binding undertaking to maintain native vegetation.

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- (b) The conservation covenant, agreement 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 covenant, agreement 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 covenant, agreement 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 covenant, agreement to reserve, or other form of binding undertaking to maintain native vegetation, shall have all stock excluded; and
 - (iv) the conservation covenant, agreement to reserve, or other form of binding undertaking to maintain native vegetation, is to apply in perpetuity and be registered on the Certificate of Title of the property.
- (c) The Permit Holder is to execute and return the conservation covenant, agreement 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 2017.

4. Offset - Native vegetation conservation

Prior to 30 April 2017, the Permit Holder shall cede, without compensation, the area shaded blue on attached Plan 2926/4b to the Crown for the purpose of conservation.

5. 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; and
 - (ii) the results of monitoring undertaken in accordance with the Rehabilitation Management
- (b) In relation to the conservation of areas pursuant to condition 3 of this Permit, a copy of the conservation covenant, agreement to reserve, or other form of binding undertaking to maintain native vegetation.
- (c) In relation to the ceding of areas pursuant to condition 4 of this Permit, evidence that the area has been ceded to the Crown for the purpose of conservation.

6. 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 5(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 5 of this Permit where these records have not already been provided under condition 6(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; and

weed/s means any plant -

- (a) that is a declared pest under section 22 of the *Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act* 2007; or
- (b) published in a Department of Parks and Wildlife Regional Weed Rankings Summary, regardless of ranking; or
- (c) not indigenous to the area concerned.

Simon Weighell A/MANAGER

CLEARING REGULATION

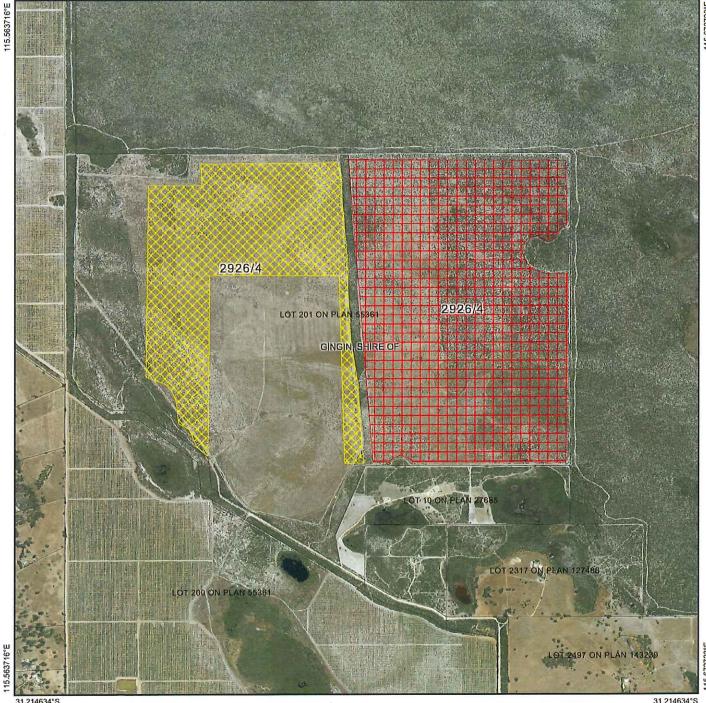
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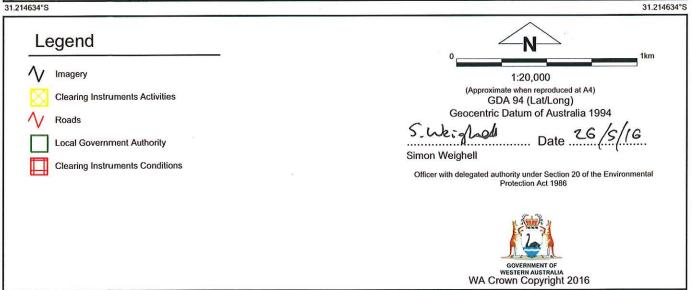
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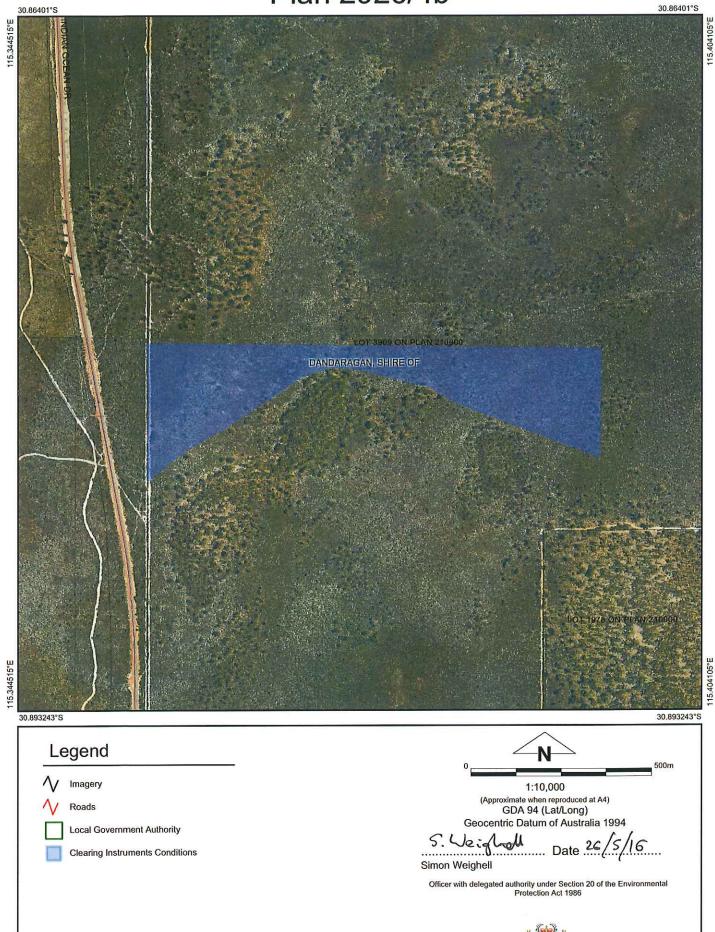
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Clearing Permit Decision Report

1. Application details

Permit application details

Permit application No.:

2926/4

Permit type:

Area Permit

Applicant details

Applicant's name:

North East Equity Pty Ltd

1.3. Property details

Property:

LOT 201 ON PLAN 55361, WANERIE

Local Government Authority: DER Region:

GINGIN, SHIRE OF

DPaW District:

GREATER SWAN SWAN COASTAL

Localities:

109

WANERIE

1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)

No. Trees

Method of Clearing

For the purpose of:

Horticulture

Mechanical Removal

1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application:

Granted

Decision Date:

26 May 2016

2. Site Information

2.1. Existing environment and information

2.1.1. Description of the native vegetation under application

Vegetation Description

Mapped Beard vegetation association 949 is described as low woodland; Banksia species (Shepherd et al. 2001).

Mapped Beard vegetation association 1013 is described as medium open woodland; Eucalyptus species over teatree (Shepherd et al. 2001).

Mapped Heddle vegetation complex Caladenia Complex is 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 todtiana (Pricklybark), less consistently with open forest of Eucalyptus gomphocephala (Tuart) (Heddle et al. 1980).

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

Clearing Description

The clearing of 109 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 201 on Plan 55361. Wanerie, for the purpose of horticulture.

Vegetation Condition Comment

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

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

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

3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments

The permit holder has applied to amend Clearing Permit CPS 2926/3 to extend the due date of condition 3(c) to 30 April 2017 and to amend the conservation mechanism for the offset area located on Lot 3909 on Plan 210000. Condition 3(c) has been updated and a new condition 4 has been included to require the offset area on Lot 3909 on Plan 210000 to be ceded to the Crown without compensation in place of the requirement to enter into a covenant/agreement to reserve. A review of current environmental information reveals no new additional information. Therefore the assessment against the clearing principles has not changed and can be found in Clearing Permit Decision Report CPS 2926/1.

Planning instruments and other relevant matters.

Comments

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

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