



GOVERNMENT OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Purpose Permit number:	CPS 3055/1
Permit Holder:	Gosnells Golf Club
Duration of Permit:	07 June 2009 – 07 June 2011

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

PART I – CLEARING AUTHORISED

1. Purpose for which clearing may be done

Clearing for the purpose of constructing a new tee ground

2. Land on which clearing is to be done

Lot 590 on Plan 216992

3. Area of Clearing

The Permit Holder must not clear more than 0.04 hectares of native vegetation within the area shaded yellow on attached Plan 3055/1.

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. Compliance with Assessment Sequence and Management Procedures

Prior to clearing any native vegetation under conditions 1, 2 and 3 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 authorised under this Permit, 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.

PART III - RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING

7. Records must be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit in relation to the clearing of native vegetation authorised under this Permit:

- (a) the species composition, structure and density of the cleared area;
- (b) the location where the clearing occurred, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 1994 (GDA94), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings;
- (c) the date that the area was cleared; and
- (d) the size of the area cleared (in hectares).

8. 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 7 of this Permit and activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.
- (b) Prior to 07 March 2011, the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO a written report of records required under condition 7 of this Permit where these records have not already been provided under condition 8(a) of this Permit.



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MANAGER
NATIVE VEGETATION CONSERVATION BRANCH

*Officer delegated under Section 20
of the Environmental Protection Act 1986*

07 May 2009

Plan 3055/1



LEGEND

- Clearing Instruments
 - Areas Approved to Clear
 - Road Centrelines
 - Cadastre for labelling
- Perth Metropolitan Area
Central 20cm Orthomosaic -
Landgate 2007



Geocentric Datum Australia 1994

Note: the data in this map have not been projected. This may result in geometric distortion or measurement inaccuracies.

K Faulkner Date *7/5/09*

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1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 3055/1
 Permit type: Purpose Permit

1.2. Proponent details

Proponent's name: Gosnells Golf Club Inc

1.3. Property details

Property: LOT 590 ON PLAN 216992
 Local Government Area: City Of Gosnells
 Colloquial name: Gosnells Golf Club

1.4. Application

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

2. Site Information

2.1. Existing environment and information

2.1.1. Description of the native vegetation under application

Vegetation Description	Clearing Description	Vegetation Condition	Comment
Beard Vegetation Association 1001: Medium very sparse woodland; jarrah, with low woodland; banksia & casuarina (Shepherd 2007; SAC Bio Datasets 14/04/2009)	The proposal is to clear 0.04 ha of native vegetation within the Gosnells Golf Club for the construction of a new tee ground.	Degraded: Structure severely disturbed; regeneration to good condition requires intensive management (Keighery 1994)	The condition of the native vegetation under application was determined from site inspection and from information provided with the application (DEC, 2009; Gosnells Golf Club, 2009).
Heddle Vegetation Complex Southern River Complex: Open woodland of <i>E. calophylla</i> - <i>E. marginata</i> - <i>Banksia</i> species with fringing woodland of <i>E. rudis</i> - <i>M. raphiophylla</i> along creek beds. (Heddle et al, 1980)	The native vegetation under application includes few (~10) <i>Xanthorrhoea preissii</i> , two <i>Melaleuca raphiophylla</i> and some native shrubs with weeds including pigface and veldt grass (DEC, 2009; Gosnells Golf Club, 2009).		

3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments

A section of the proposed clearing of 0.04 hectares of native vegetation is within an environmentally sensitive area associated with Bush Forever Site 467 (Gosnells Golf Club Bushland). The vegetation under application includes *Xanthorrhoea preissii*, two *Melaleuca raphiophylla* and native shrubs with weeds including pigface and veldt grass in a degraded condition. This vegetation is considered to comprise limited habitat or biodiversity values. There is a Resource Enhancement Wetland and a Multiple Use wetland mapped adjacent to the areas under application; however, the wetland areas have been cleared and developed. The assessment considered that the proposed clearing is not likely to impact any biodiversity, land degradation, or environmental water values within the local or regional context.

Given the relatively small scale of the proposed clearing and the location of the area under application immediately adjacent to existing golf playing facilities, the proposed clearing is not considered likely to be at variance to any of the clearing principles.

There is no RIWI Act Licence, Works Approval or EP Act Licence that affects the area under application.

Development approval from WA Planning Commission is outstanding for this application.

Department of Planning and Infrastructure (DPI, 2009) advised that the area under application is within Bush Forever area 467; DPI has no objections to the proposed clearing and supports any offset proposal.

City of Gosnells (2009) advises that the application to clear native vegetation is support with the

understanding that a suitable offset, to the satisfaction of the Department of Environment and Conservation and the Department of Planning and Infrastructure, will be proposed.

There is one Aboriginal Site of Significance listed within the areas under application, the applicant will be advised of their obligations under the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972.

The area under application is located within Lot 590 or Crown Reserve 24862, is vested with the City of Gosnells for the land use of golf and recreation; and is zoned Private Recreation under the Metropolitan Regional Scheme.

Methodology

References:

- City of Gosnells (2009)
- DPI (2009)
- GIS databases:
 - Aboriginal Sites of Significance
 - Cadastre
 - Clearing Regulations - Environmentally Sensitive Areas
 - Geomorphic Wetlands (Mgt Categories), Swan Coastal Plain
 - Perth Metropolitan Area Central 20cm Orthomosaic - Landgate 2007
 - SAC Bio Datasets 14/04/09
 - Metropolitan Regional Scheme

4. Assessor's comments

Comment

The assessable criteria have been addressed and the proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance to any of the clearing principles.

5. References

City of Gosnells (2009) Clearing application and additional information for Lot 590 Warton Road, Canning Vale. TRIM Ref DOC79889

DEC (2009) Site Inspection Report for Clearing Permit Application CPS 3055/1, Lot 590 Campbell Road, Canning Vale. Site inspection undertaken 17/04/2009. Department of Environment and Conservation. TRIM Ref DOC82373

DPI (2009) Direct interest submission, Department of Planning and Infrastructure-Resource Protection and Management. Trim Ref DOC83176

Gosnells Golf Club (2009) Clearing application and additional information for Lot 590 Warton Road, Canning Vale. TRIM Ref DOC79889

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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
DoIR	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)