



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Purpose Permit number:	CPS 4122/1
Permit Holder:	Windy Harbour Sea Rescue Group Incorporated
Duration of Permit:	28 February 2011 – 28 February 2013

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

CONDITIONS

1. Purpose for which clearing may be done

Clearing for the purpose of construction of a new Sea Rescue Headquarters.

2. Land on which clearing is to be done

Lot 12439 on Deposited Plan 215937, (Reserve 38881) Windy Harbour

3. Area of Clearing

The Permit Holder must not clear more than 0.04 hectares of native vegetation within the area hatched yellow on attached Plan 4122/1.

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. 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 *Land Administration Act 1997* or any other written law.

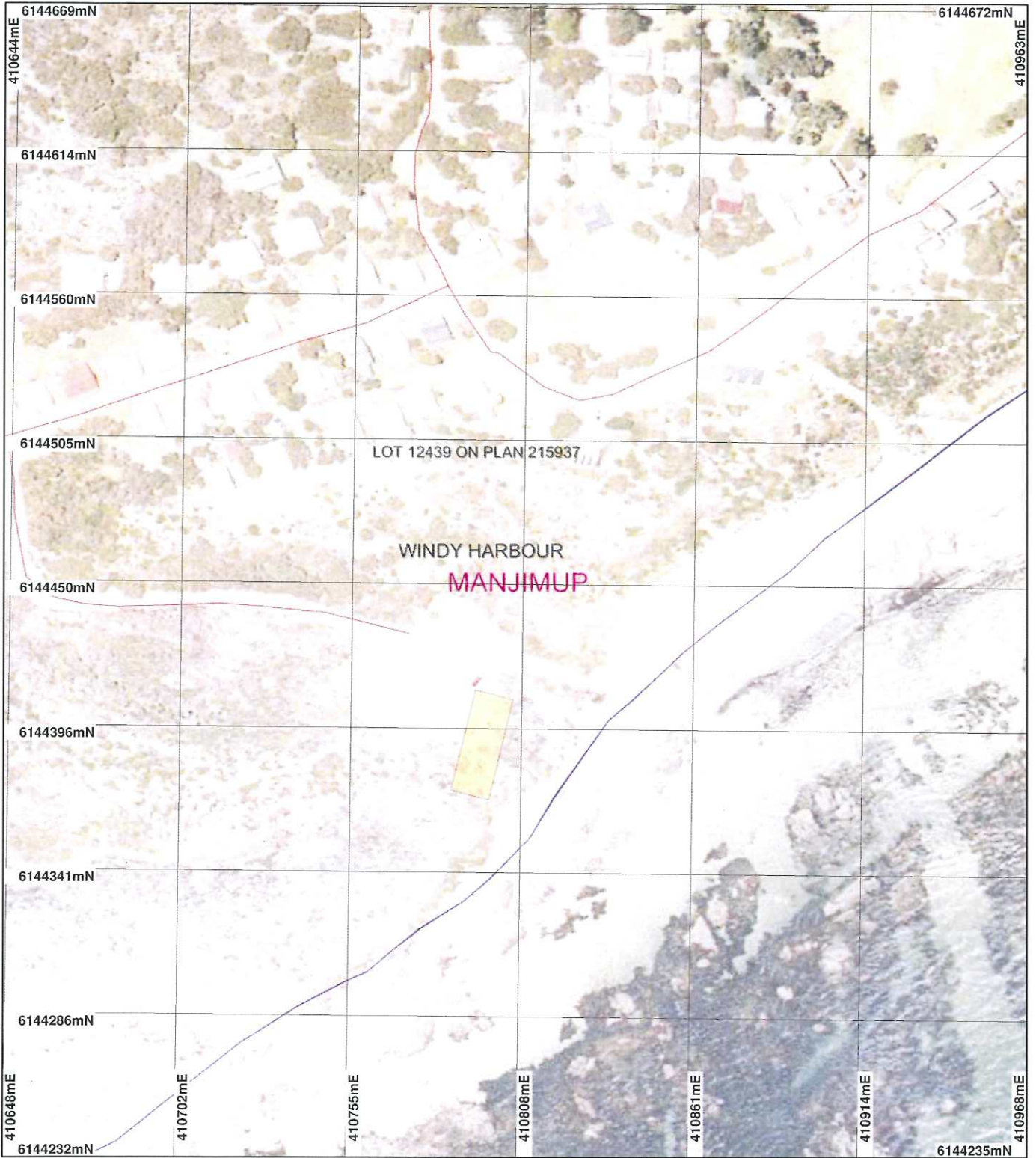
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Kelly Faulkner
MANAGER
NATIVE VEGETATION CONSERVATION BRANCH

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

2 February 2011

Plan 4122/1



LEGEND

- Cadastre
- Clearing Instruments
- Areas Approved to Clear
- Local Government Authorities
- Road Centrelines
- Northcliffe 50cm Orthomosaic - Landgate 2007
- Localities
- WA Coastline



Scale 1:1911
(Approximate when reproduced at A4)

Geocentric Datum Australia 1994
Note: the data in this map have not been projected. This may result in geometric distortion or measurement inaccuracies.

Date 2/2/10
K. Faulkner

Officer with delegated authority under Section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

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1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 4122/1
Permit type: Purpose Permit

1.2. Proponent details

Proponent's name: Windy Harbour Sea Rescue Group Incorporated

1.3. Property details

Property: LOT 12439 ON PLAN 215937 (Lot No. 12439 WINDY HARBOUR WINDY HARBOUR 6262)
Local Government Area: Shire of Manjimup
Colloquial name: Windy Harbour

1.4. Application

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

1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application: Grant
Decision Date: 2 February 2011

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
Mattiske Vegetation Complex: Meerup (Mp) - Mosaic of open low woodland of <i>Agonis flexuosa</i> with some <i>Eucalyptus cornuta</i> , tall shrubland of <i>Agonis flexuosa</i> with <i>Trymalium floribundum</i> fs24 in gullies and closed heath of <i>Olearia axillaris</i> - <i>Spyridium globulosum</i> - <i>Acacia littorea</i> on stabilised dunes in the hyperhumid zone. (Mattiske and Havel, 1998)	The application area is located at the edge on an existing cleared car park area, approximately 20 meters from the WA coastline, within Lot 12439 on Deposited Plan 215937 (Reserve 38881), Windy Harbour. The vegetation under application is considered to be in good to degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition. It appears to be patchy in areas and is likely to be used for beach access from the adjacent car park, with a number of small tracks throughout.	Good: Structure significantly altered by multiple disturbance; retains basic structure/ability to regenerate (Keighery, 1994) To Degraded: Structure severely disturbed; regeneration to good condition requires intensive management (Keighery, 1994)	Vegetation condition was determined from aerial photography.

3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments

The proposal is to remove up to 0.04ha of native vegetation from Lot 12439 on Deposited Plan 215937 (Reserve 38881), Windy Harbour, for the purpose of building a new Sea Rescue Headquarters. The application area is located at the edge on an existing cleared car park area, approximately 20 meters from the mapped Western Australian coastline.

The vegetation under application is considered to be in good to degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition. It appears to be patchy in areas and is likely to be used for beach access from the adjacent car park, with a number of small tracks throughout.

The area under application is within an Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) as it is within the proposed South Coast National Park, which is on the Register of National Estate, and within the 50m buffer to a registered Augusta-Walpole wetland (dampland). The application area may contain vegetation growing in association with this wetland.

The application area is approximately 14m to the east of the Augusta-Walpole wetland, which is a seasonally waterlogged basin (dampland). There are existing cleared areas within the mapped boundary of the wetland, with an unsealed road and existing car park area to the west of the proposed clearing. It is considered unlikely that the proposed clearing of 0.04ha of vegetation to the east of the wetland would diminish the conservation values of this wetland.

Due to the calcareous deep sandy soil and the coastal location of the application area, the clearing of 0.04ha of

native vegetation may lead to increased risk of wind erosion, however this is not likely to result in appreciable land degradation.

The mapped vegetation type (Mattiske and Havel's Meerup Complex) is well represented in the Warren IBRA bioregion and the vegetation under application is not considered to be significant as habitat for indigenous fauna or flora.

The vegetation under application is not likely to be representative of any known threatened or priority ecological communities.

The proposed clearing is not likely to impact on surface or groundwater quality, nor is it likely to increase or exacerbate the risk or intensity of flooding.

Considering the above, the proposed clearing may be at variance with Principles (f) and is not likely to be at variance with the remaining Principles.

Methodology

References:

Keighery, 1994

GIS Databases:

- Acid Sulfate Soils Risk Map - DEC 02/07/10
- ANCA, Wetlands - 26/03/99
- DEC Managed Lands & Waters - DEC 28/10/09
- Evapotranspiration, Area Actual - BOM 30/09/01
- Groundwater Salinity, statewide - DoW 13/07/06
- Hydrogeographic Catchments, Catchments - DoW 01/06/07
- Hydrogeology, statewide - DoW 13/07/06
- Hydrography, linear DoW 13/7/06
- Northcliffe 50cm Orthomosaic - Landgate 2007
- Rainfall, Mean Annual - BOM 30/09/01
- Pre-European vegetation - DA 01/01
- RAMSAR, Wetlands - 15/10/09
- SAC Biodatasets - 10/01/11
- Soils, Statewide - 30/11/99

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

Comments

The Shire of Manjimup has recently granted the applicant planning approval to erect a new Sea Rescue Headquarters. As part of this planning approval, the applicant was required to seek a clearing permit from the Department of Environment and Conservation (Shire of Manjimup, 2011). The planning approval requires that a building licence must be formally applied for and obtained before the commencement of any site and/or development works (Shire of Manjimup, 2011). Additionally a licence to occupy the land needs to be obtained.

There are no known Aboriginal Sites of Significance within the application area.

Methodology

References:

Shire of Manjimup, 2011

GIS Databases:

- Aboriginal Sites of Significance - DIA 02/10
- Cadastre - Landgate 12/09
- Country Area Water Supply Act (Part IIA) Clearing Control Catchments - DoW 29/06/06
- Environmental Impact Assessments - EPA 08/03/05
- Native Title Claims - LA 02/5/07
- Public Drinking Water Source Areas (PDWSAs) - DoW 07/02/06
- RIWI Act, Areas - DoW 05/04/02
- RIWI Act, Groundwater Areas - DoW 13/07/06
- RIWI Act, Irrigation Districts - DoW 13/07/06
- Town Planning Scheme Zones - MFP 31/08/98

4. 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.

Mattiske, E.M. and Havel, J.J. (1998) Vegetation Complexes of the South-west Forest Region of Western Australia. Maps and report prepared as part of the Regional Forest Agreement, Western Australia for the Department of Conservation and Land Management and Environment Australia.

Shire of Manjimup (2011) Direct Interest Submission. Received 20/01/2011. DEC Ref: A362924

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
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)