

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 4622/2

File Number: 2011/008986-1

Duration of Permit: From 19 December 2011 to 19 December 2016

PERMIT HOLDER

Alcoa of Australia Ltd

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Lot 99 on Plan 17761, Cockburn Road, Naval Base.

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 0.95 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross hatched yellow on attached Plan 4622/2.

CONDITIONS

1. Dieback and weed control

When undertaking any clearing or other activity 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) shall 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.

DEFINITIONS

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

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 -

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

M Warnock MANAGER

NATIVE VEGETATION CONSERVATION BRANCH

Officer delegated under Section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

17 October 2013

Plan 4622/2





Clearing Instruments

Areas Approved to Clear
Local Government

Cadastre
Perth Metropolitan Area
Central 15cm Orthomosaic Landoate 2012



Scale 1:2260 (Approximate when reproduced at A4)

Geocentric Datum Australia 1994

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Clearing Permit Decision Report

Government of Western Australia Department of Environment Regulation

1. Application details

Permit application details

Permit application No.:

4622/2

Permit type:

Area Permit

Proponent details

Proponent's name:

Alcoa of Australia Ltd

1.3. Property details

Property:

LOT 99 ON PLAN 17761 (Lot No. 99 COCKBURN NAVAL BASE 6165)

Local Government Area:

City of Kwinana

Colloquial name:

1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)

No. Trees

Method of Clearing

For the purpose of: Building or Structure

Mechanical Removal

Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application:

Grant

Decision Date:

17 October 2013

2. Site Information

Existing environment and information

2.1.1. Description of the native vegetation under application

Vegetation Description

Beard Vegetation Association 998:

Medium woodland; tuart (Shepherd, 2001)

Heddle Complex - Central and South: Mosaic of woodland of Eucalyptus gomphocephala (Tuart) and open forest of Eucalyptus gomphocephala (Tuart) -Eucalyptus marginata (Jarrah) - Corymbia calophylla (Marri); closed heath on the Limestone outcrops (Heddle et al, 1980)

Clearing Description

The proposal is for clearing 0.95 hectares for the purpose of building construction and access road within Lot 99 on Plan 17761, Naval Base in the City of Kwinana.

Vegetation Condition

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

To

Very Good: Vegetation structure altered; obvious signs of disturbance (Keighery 1994)

Comment

The application is to clear 0.95 hectares of native vegetation, for purpose of constructing a new building. The application is within Bush Forever Site 346.

The vegetation under application consists of Eucalyptus gomphocephala (Tuart), Banksia sp. over a variety of shrubs and ground cover species (DEC, 2011). The Tuart and Banksia species where confined to the southern and middle section of the proposed clearing. The shrub species in the application area was at times dense (DEC, 2011). A variety of weed species were observed in the application area, predominately near the track that bordered the eastern boundary of the proposed clearing and southern section of the application area (DEC, 2011).

The condition (DEC, 2011) of the vegetation under application ranges from degraded to very good (Keighery, 1994).

The vegetation condition was determined from a site inspection undertaken by Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) on the 13 October 2011.

Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments

This amendment has been made to extend the permit duration until December 2016.

The assessment against the clearing principles has not changed and can be found in Decision Report CPS 4622/1.

Methodology

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

Comments

The assessment against Planning and Other Matters has not changed and can be found in Decision Report CPS 4622/1.

Methodology

4. References

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- Shepherd, D.P. (2009) 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.

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)