



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 4834/2
File Number: 2012/000334-1
Duration of Permit: From 1 November 2012 to 1 November 2016

PERMIT HOLDER

James Francis Cowdrey
Johanna Elizabeth Cowdrey
James Nathan Cowdrey

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Lot 500 on Deposited Plan 56733 (Roebuck 6725)

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 34.5 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 4834/2.

CONDITIONS

1. Type of clearing authorised (staged clearing)

The Permit Holder shall not clear any native vegetation unless actively engaging in horticultural activities within 1 month of the authorised clearing being undertaken.

2. 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*:

- (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
- (b) ensure that no *weed*-affected soil, *mulch*, *fill* or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and
- (c) 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:

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 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.

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M Warnock
SENIOR MANAGER
CLEARING REGULATION

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

30 October 2014

Plan 4384/2



LEGEND

- Cadastre for labelling
- Road Centrelines
- Local Government Authorities
- Clearing Instruments

Broome 50cm Orthomosaic - Landgate 2007



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Scale 1:14000

(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.

M Warnock Date 30/10/17

M Warnock

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

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Clearing Permit Decision Report

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1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 4834/2
Permit type: Area Permit

1.2. Proponent details

Proponent's name: James Francis, Johanna Elizabeth and James Nathan Cowdrey

1.3. Property details

Property: LOT 500 ON PLAN 56733 (Lot No. 500 BROOME ROEBUCK 6725)
Local Government Area: Shire of Broome

1.4. Application

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

1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application: Grant
Decision Date: 30 October 2014

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 750: Shrublands, pindan; Acacia tumida shrubland with grey box & cabbage gum medium woodland over ribbon grass & curly spinifex (Shepherd et al, 2001).	The clearing of 34.5 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 500 on Deposited Plan 56733 is for the purpose of expanding a market garden.	Very Good: Vegetation structure altered; obvious signs of disturbance (Keighery 1994)	The vegetation description and condition was determined from the former Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) site visit on 13 March 2012.

3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments

The applicant has applied to amend Clearing Permit CPS 4834/1 to increase the application area from 9 hectares to 34.5 hectares and extend the permit duration until 1 November 2016.

A flora management condition has been removed from the permit. The vegetation under application may provide suitable habitat for a Priority 3 flora species. However, Priority 3 flora species are taxa that are known from collections from several localities not under imminent threat, or from few but widespread localities with either large population size or significant remaining areas of apparently suitable habitat, much of it not under imminent threat. Therefore the clearing as proposed is not likely to impact upon the conservation status of this species.

The assessment against the clearing principles has not changed and can be found in the Clearing Permit Decision Report CPS 4834/1.

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

Comments

The Department of Water (2014) has advised that the applicant holds a current water licence (GWL173845) for the purposes of irrigation of up to 32 hectares of vegetable.

The Shire of Broome (2014) has advised that they have previously granted Planning Approval on 23 March 2012 for a 'rural Pursuit and Industry Rural' at Lot 500 Broome Road. The proposed 'market garden' activity is consistent with the provisions of the Shire's Town Planning Scheme No. 4 and Local Planning Scheme No. 6, expected to be gazetted later this year. The Shire of Broome (2014) recommended that the applicant be advised of the need to obtain Planning Approval for any expansion/upgrades to the existing land use on site. Additionally, the applicant is advised of the need to comply with Clause 6.1.10.5 of Town Planning Scheme No. 4 which requires that a minimum 10 metre wide native vegetation shelter belt is maintained in relation to the entirety of the western and eastern boundaries of the lot.

Methodology - Department of Water (2014)
- Shire of Broome (2014)

4. References

- DEC (2012) Site Inspection Report for Clearing Permit Application CPS 4838/1 Lot 500 Broome Rd, Roebuck. Site inspection undertaken 13/03/2012. Department of Environment and Conservation, Western Australia (DER REF A484231).
- DoW (2014) Advice for application to amend a clearing permit - CPS 4834/2. Department of Water, Western Australia, DER Ref: A822739
- Keighery, B.J. (1994) Bushland Plant Survey: A Guide to Plant Community Survey for the Community. Wildflower Society of WA (Inc). Nedlands, Western Australia.
- 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.
- Shire of Broome (2012) Copy of Planning Approval for Lot 500 Broome Road Skuthorpe received 23/3/2012, Shire of Broome, Broome, Western Australia (DER REF A488808).