



GOVERNMENT OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 4883/1

File Number: 2012/000907-1

Duration of Permit: From 23 April 2012 to 23 April 2014

PERMIT HOLDER

Department of Corrective Services

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Lot 11750 on Deposited Plan 217028 (Crown Reserve 39544), Narngulu.

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 0.4 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross hatched yellow on attached Plan 4883/1.

CONDITIONS

Nil.

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Kelly Faulkner
MANAGER
NATIVE VEGETATION CONSERVATION BRANCH



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

2 April 2012

Plan 4883/1



LEGEND


- clearing instruments
-  Areas Approved to Clear
 -  Cadastre
- Geraldton Townsite 10cm
Orthomosaic - Landgate
2007



Scale 1:2082
(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.


K. Faulkner Date 2/4/12

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1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 4883/1
Permit type: Area Permit

1.2. Proponent details

Proponent's name: Department of Corrective Services

1.3. Property details

Property: LOT 11750 ON PLAN 217028 (Lot No. 11750 EDWARD NARNGULU 6532)
Local Government Area: City of Greater Geraldton
Colloquial name:

1.4. Application

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

1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application: Grant
Decision Date: 2 April 2012

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
Mapped Beard vegetation association 359: Shrublands; acacia and banksia scrub (Shepherd, 2009)	The application is to clear 0.4ha of native vegetation for the purpose of recreation. The area under application appears to be subjected to past disturbances with some areas containing little to no vegetation. The condition of the vegetation is considered to be in degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition.	Degraded: Structure severely disturbed; regeneration to good condition requires intensive management (Keighery 1994)	The condition of the vegetation was obtained via aerial photography (Geraldton Townsite 10cm Orthomosaic - Landgate 2007).

3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments

The application is to clear 0.4 hectares of native vegetation approximately 10km south east from the city of Geraldton for the purpose of recreation. The area under application appears to have historical disturbance, with many tracks and some sections of land with little to no vegetation. The vegetation within the applied area is considered to be in a degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition.

Considering the small amount of area proposed to be cleared, that the vegetation is in a degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition and subjected to past disturbances, it is unlikely the application area comprises of a high level of biodiversity. The area under application is also unlikely to provide necessary habitat for flora and fauna of conservation significance recorded in the area. In addition to this, the area under application will not significantly impact upon ground water quality, surface water quality or cause appreciable land degradation in the local area.

The application has been assessed and is not likely to be at variance to any of the clearing principles

Methodology References
(Keighery, 1994)

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

Comments

The City of Greater Geraldton has requested that the vegetation cleared from the application area, is to be used

for brushing the adjoining bushland in order to provide rehabilitation and soil stabilisation. In addition to this the City has requested that lawn species planted in the recreational areas are not permitted to encroach of the surrounding bushlands (City of Greater Geraldton, 2012).

Methodology References
City of Greater Geraldton (2012)

4. References

- City of Greater Geraldton (2012) Submission received for Clearing Permit Application CPS 4883/1 - Department of Corrective services Lot 11750, Narngulu (DEC Ref:A86422).
- 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. (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)