



## **CLEARING PERMIT**

*Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986*

### **PERMIT DETAILS**

Area Permit Number: 5277/2

File Number: 2012/006708-1

Duration of Permit: 30 November 2012 to 30 November 2014

### **PERMIT HOLDER**

Kenneth Dexter Short

### **LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE**

Lot 12 on Deposited Plan 64605, WARDERING

Lot 13 on Deposited Plan 64605, WARDERING

Lot 14 on Deposited Plan 64605, WARDERING

Lot 15 on Deposited Plan 64605, WARDERING

Lot 4602 on Deposited Plan 117614, WARDERING

Lot 4924 on Deposited Plan 117613, WARDERING

Lot 290 on Deposited Plan 248230, WARDERING

### **AUTHORISED ACTIVITY**

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 2 hectares of native vegetation within the area shaded yellow on attached Plan 5277/2.

### **CONDITIONS**

Nil

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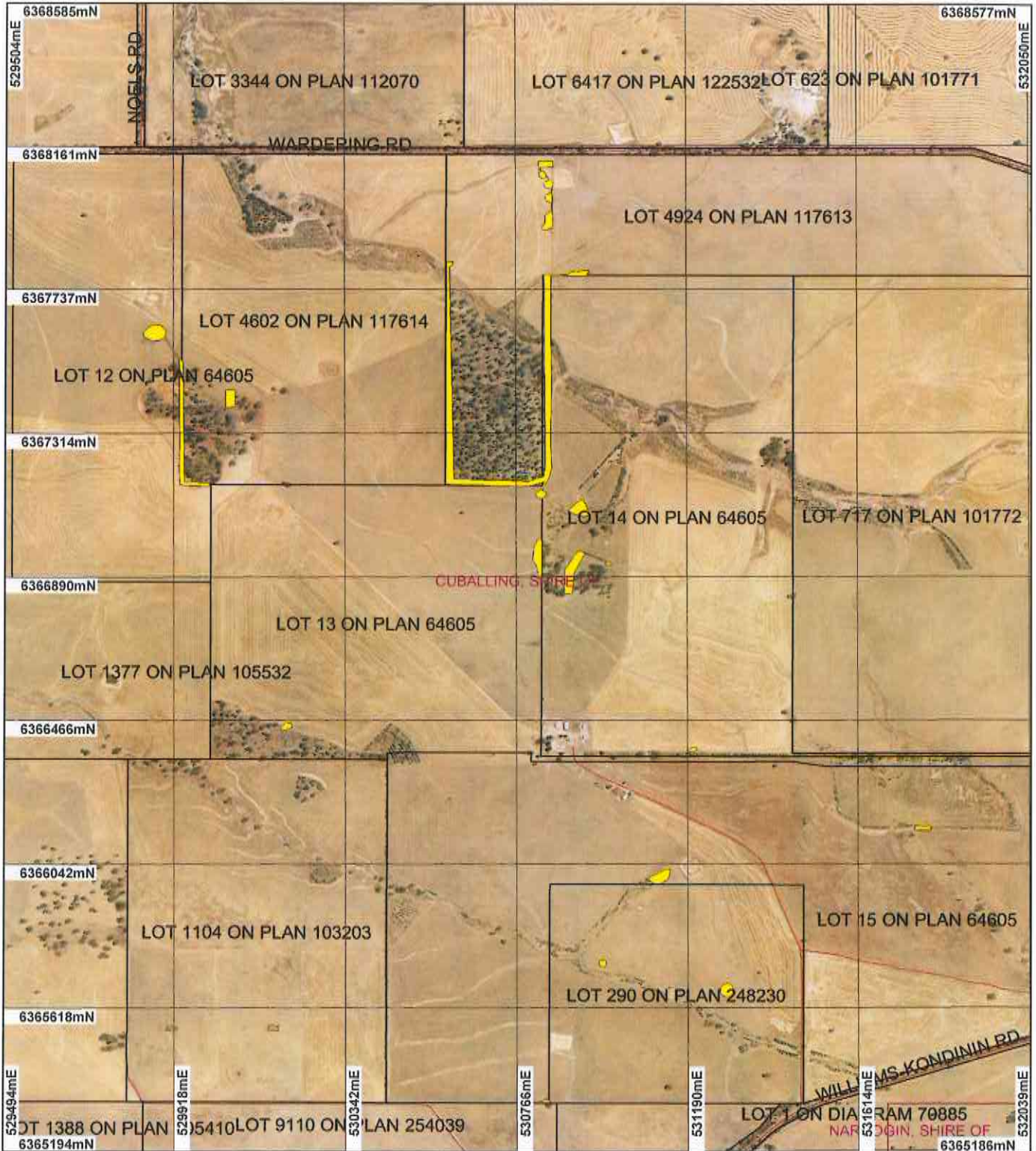
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





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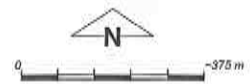
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# Plan 527712



## LEGEND

-  Road Centrelines
-  Cadastre\_1
-  Clearing Instruments
-  Areas Approved to Clear
-  Local Government Authorities
-  Narrogin 80cm Orthomosaic - Landgate 2005



Scale 1:14988  
(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.

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## 1. Application details

### 1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 5277/2  
Permit type: Area Permit

### 1.2. Proponent details

Proponent's name: Kenneth Dexter Short

### 1.3. Property details

Property: LOT 15 ON PLAN 64605 (House No. 4679 WILLIAMS-KONDININ WARDERING 6311)  
LOT 290 ON PLAN 248230 ( WARDERING 6311)  
LOT 13 ON PLAN 64605 (Lot No. 13 WADES WARDERING 6311)  
LOT 14 ON PLAN 64605 (Lot No. 14 WADES WARDERING 6311)  
LOT 12 ON PLAN 64605 (Lot No. 12 WARDERING WARDERING 6311)  
LOT 4602 ON PLAN 117614 (Lot No. 4602 WARDERING WARDERING 6311)  
LOT 4924 ON PLAN 117613 ( WARDERING 6311)

Local Government Area: Shire of Cuballing  
Colloquial name:

### 1.4. Application

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

### 1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application: Grant  
Decision Date: 7 February 2013

## 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 1023 is described as Medium woodland; York gum, wandoo & salmon gum (E. salmonophloia) (Government of western Australia, 2011).	The application is to clear two hectares of native vegetation across 10 small sites, for the purposes of widening paths for new machinery, fence line maintenance, upgrading of farming techniques and construction of a small gravel pit.	Completely Degraded: No longer intact; completely/almost completely without native species (Keighery 1994)  To  Degraded: Structure severely disturbed; regeneration to good condition requires intensive management (Keighery 1994)	The vegetation condition was ascertained through aerial imagery (Narrogin 80cm Orthomosaic, Landgate, 2005).

## 3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

### Comments

The assessment of CPS 5277/1 found that it may have been at variance to principle (b) due to the possibility of hollows suitable for *Calyptorhynchus banksii* subsp. *naso* (Forest Red-tailed Black-Cockatoo), listed as rare on the Wildlife Conservation (Specially Protected Fauna) Notice 2012(2), occurring within the application area. Conditions were placed on the permit requiring the proponent to engage an environmental specialist to inspect the application area for suitable habitat trees that contain hollows suitable to be utilised by listed fauna, record observations and report to the CEO.

In the case of assessing an appeal against the conditions of the permit, the office of the Appeals Convenor inspected the site and took photographs of the vegetation. This information was examined by DEC, where upon

it was confirmed that the vegetation subject to this application may not provide suitable habitat for the Red Tailed Phascogale nor contain hollows of sufficient size for the Forest Red Tailed Black Cockatoo.

As the vegetation under application is not considered suitable habitat for these species the vegetation under application is not considered a significant remnant in an area that has been extensively cleared.

Given the degraded nature of the vegetation under application it is not likely that it contains a high degree of biological diversity, rare or priority flora species or represent a Threatened Ecological Community. As the application is also spread over ten smaller sites it is not likely to cause appreciable land degradation, impact on conservation reserves or cause or exacerbate the intensity of flooding. Although a minor watercourse crosses the application area, as it is for the purpose of widening existing paths, vegetation under application is not likely to be growing in association with a watercourse or wetland.

The assessment of the application identified that the clearing is not likely to be at variance to any of the clearing principles.

**Methodology** GIS Datasets:  
- Hydrography linear

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

**Comments** No submissions from the public have been received.

**Methodology**

#### **4. References**

Government of Western Australia (2011); 2011 Statewide Vegetation Statistics incorporating the CAR Reserve Analysis (Full Report). WA Department of Environment and Conservation, Perth.

Keighery, B.J. (1994) Bushland Plant Survey: A Guide to Plant Community Survey for the Community. Wildflower Society of WA (Inc). Nedlands, Western Australia.

#### **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)