

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 5368/1

File Number: 2012/007863

Duration of Permit: From 11 January 2013 to 11 January 2015

PERMIT HOLDER

Adam Kristopher James

Nadia Gastevski

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Lot 19 on Plan 7122, Wanneroo.

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 1.91 hectares of native vegetation within the area hatched yellow on attached Plan 5368/1.

CONDITIONS

Nil

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NATIVE VEGETATION CONSERVATION BRANCH

Officer delegated under Section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

20 December 2012

Plan 5368/1

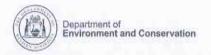


LEGEND | Local Government Authorities | Crown Lease | Lease / Reserve | Lease / Reserve | Lease of Reserve | Lease of State Perent / Timber Reserve | State Forcest / Timber Reserve | Unallocated Crown Land | Scale 1:3467 | Clearing Instruments | Areas Approved to Clear | Geocentric Datum Australia 1994 | | Mairine Park | Mater | Ma

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Clearing Permit Decision Report

1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.:

5368/1

Permit type:

Area Permit

1.2. Proponent details

Proponent's name:

Adam Kristopher and Nadia James

1.3. Property details

Property:

1.91

LOT 19 ON PLAN 7122 (House No. 163 FRANKLIN WANNEROO 6065)

Local Government Area:

City of Wanneroo

1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)

No. Trees

Method of Clearing

For the purpose of:

Mechanical Removal

Recreation

1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application:

Decision Date:

20 December 2012

2. Site Information

2.1. Existing environment and information

2.1.1. Description of the native vegetation under application

Vegetation Description

Mapped Beard Vegetation Association 6 is described as Medium woodland consisting of tuart & jarrah (Shepherd et al, 2001).

Mapped Heddle Vegetation Karrakatta Complex-Central and South consists of predominantly open forest of Eucalyptus gomphocephala (Tuart), Eucalyptus marginata (Jarrah), Corymbia calophylla (Marri) and woodland of Eucalyptus marginata (Jarrah) and Banksia species (Heddle et al, 1980).

Clearing Description

This application proposes to clear up to 1.91 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 19 on Plan 7122, Wanneroo, for the purpose of the construction and maintanence of a horste stable, paddocks and an equestrian arena.

Vegetation within the application area consists of several Eucalyptus gomphocephala, with a sparse middle storey of Hakea species, Jacksonia furcellata, Macrozamia riedlei and Daviesia species. Weeds were the dominant groundcover on site (DEC, 2012).

Vegetation Condition

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

Comment

The condition of the vegetation was obtained through a site inspection (DEC, 2012).

3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments

Proposal is not likely to be at variance to this Principle

This application proposes to clear up to 1.91 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 19 on Plan 7122, Wanneroo, for the purpose of the construction and maintenance of a horse stable, paddocks and an equestrian arena. The vegetation is in a degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition.

The vegetation under application is almost completely devoid of upper storey species with the exception of several Eucalyptus gomphocephala within the western portion of the application area. Middle storey species are sparse in most parts, with a distinctive cluster of Hakea species and Jacksonia furcellata occurring towards the centre of the application area. Other middle storey species include scattered Macrozamia riedlei and Daviesia species. Weeds have significantly infested the application area and are the dominant groundcover (DEC, 2012).

Given the degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition of the vegetation under application it is unlikely to provide significant habitat for indigenous fauna.

There are several rare and priority flora species mapped within the local area (10 kilometre radius) on similar soil and vegetation types to the application area, however, as there is a high density of weeds on site, it is not likely for the proposed clearing to include suitable habitat for these species.

There is approximately 35 percent of pre-European vegetation remaining in the local area. Due to the small size and degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition of the vegetation under application it is not likely to represent a significant remnant.

There are no conservation areas within the vicinity of the application area, therefore it is unlikely the proposed clearing will impact upon the environmental values of any conservation areas.

There are no wetlands or watercourses within the application area, therefore the proposed clearing is not likely to cause appreciable land degradation, impact water quality or cause or exacerbate the intensity of flooding.

The proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance to any of the clearing Principles.

Methodology

References:

- -DEC (2012)
- -Keighery (1994)

GIS Databases:

- -SAC BIO Datasets (Accessed December 2012)
- -NLWRA, pre-European Vegetation Remaining
- -Hydrography, linear

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

Comments

No submissions from the public have been received for the proposed clearing.

The application area is zoned 'rural resource' under the town planning scheme.

The proposed clearing falls within the Wanneroo Groundwater area which is an area proclaimed under the Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914. The proponent has obtained a licence from the Department of Water to take up to 10,000 kilolitres of groundwater annually (DoW, 2012).

Planning Approval has been granted by the City of Wanneroo for Stables and Equestrian Activities (City of Wanneroo, 2012a).

The City of Wanneroo has advised that several large Eucalyptus gomphocephala within Lot 19 are to be retained, a minimum of ten native trees suitable for Carnaby's Cockatoo habitat be planted and maintained and all native trees on site are to be suitably fenced and protected from grazing, as per the conditions of the Planning Approval (City of Wanneroo, 2012b).

The Eucalyptus gomphocephala to be retained under the Planning Approval have been excluded from the application area.

Methodology

References:

- City of Wanneroo (2012a)
- City of Wanneroo (2012b)
- DoW (2012)

GIS Databases:

-Town Planning Scheme Zones

City of Wanneroo (2012a) Planning Approval subject to conditions. Additional Information for CPS 5368/1. DEC Ref: A571088 City of Wanneroo (2012b) Direct Interest Submission for Clearing Application CPS 5368/1. DEC Ref: A577812 DEC (2012) Site Inspection Report for Clearing Permit Application CPS 5368/1. Site inspection undertaken 10/12/2012.

Department of Environment and Conservation, Western Australia. DEC Ref A580266

DoW (2012) Direct Interest Submission for Clearing Application CPS5368/1, DEC Ref. A578445

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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)

Doff 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)