

### CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

### PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 5641/2

File Number:

2013/000312-1

Duration of Permit: From 7 September 2013 to 7 September 2015

### PERMIT HOLDER

Rottnest Island Authority

### LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Lot 10976 on Deposited Plan 216860, Reserve 16713 (Rottnest Island)

### AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 1.76 hectares of native vegetation within the combined areas cross hatched yellow on attached Plan 5641/2a and Plan 5641/2b and Plan 5641/2c and Plan 5641/2d and Plan 5641/2e and Plan 5641/2f and Plan 5641/2g.

### CONDITIONS

### 1.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;
- (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 Summary, regardless of ranking; or not indigenous to the area concerned.

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A/MANAGER

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Officer delegated under Section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

30 January 2014

# Plan 5641/2a





Clearing Instruments

Areas Approved to Clear

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Rottnest Island Aug 2011
Mosaic



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# Plan 5641/2b

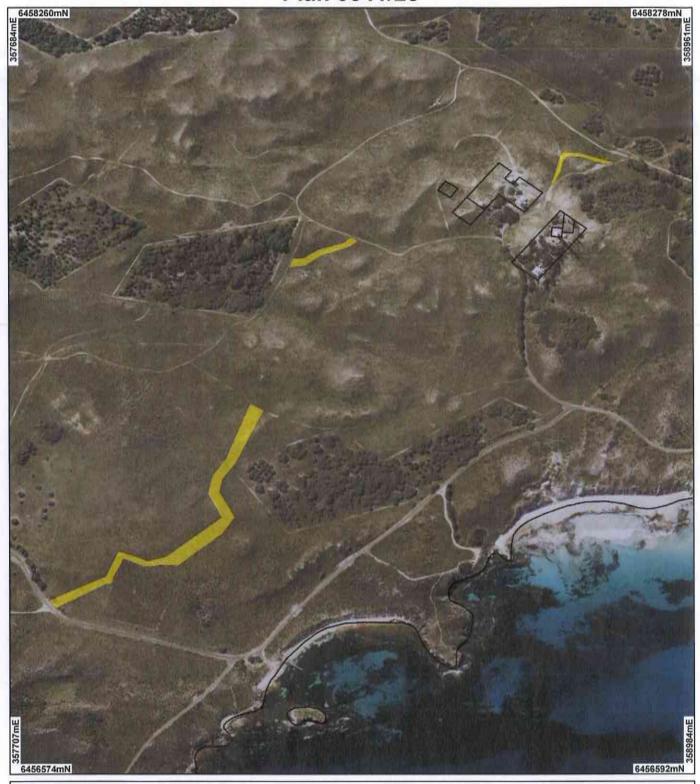




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# Plan 5641/2c





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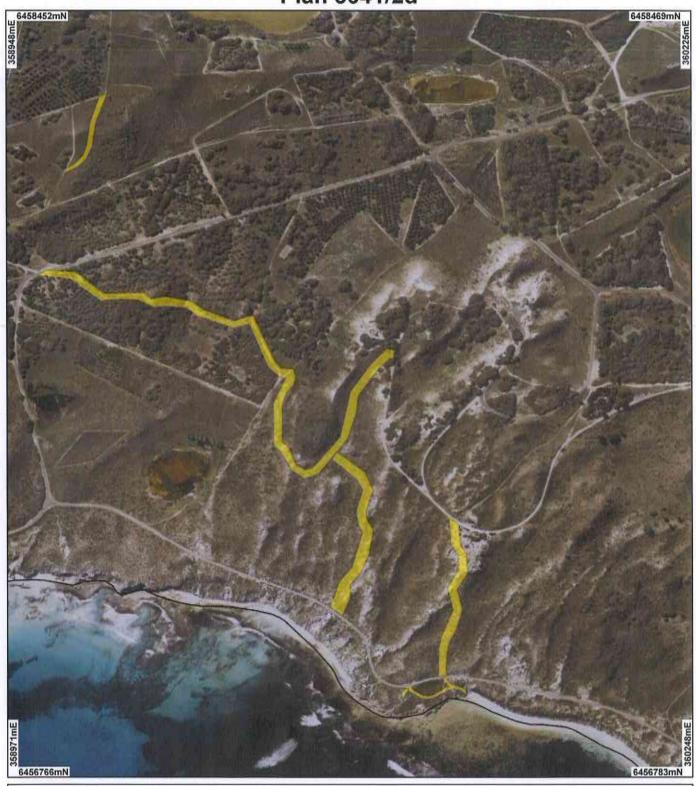
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# Plan 5641/2d



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## Plan 5641/2e







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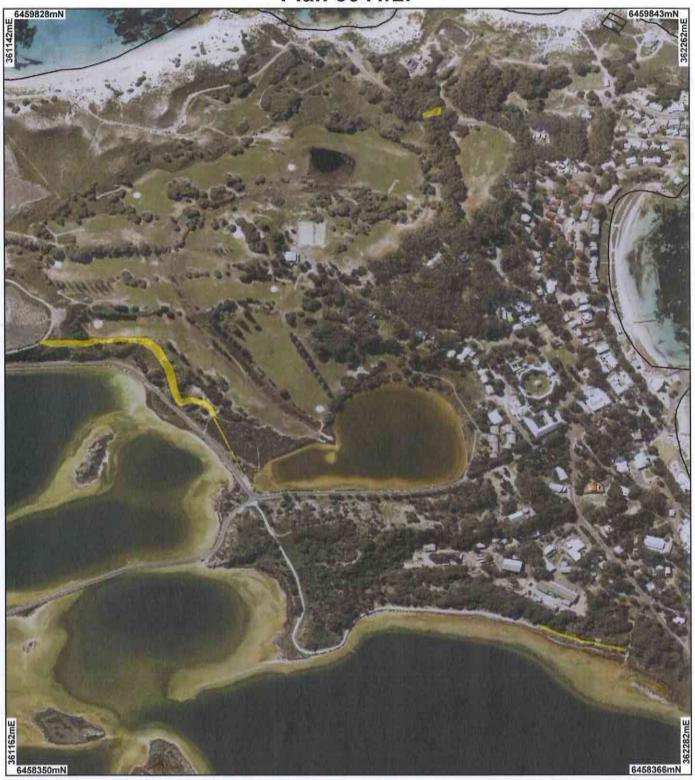
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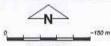


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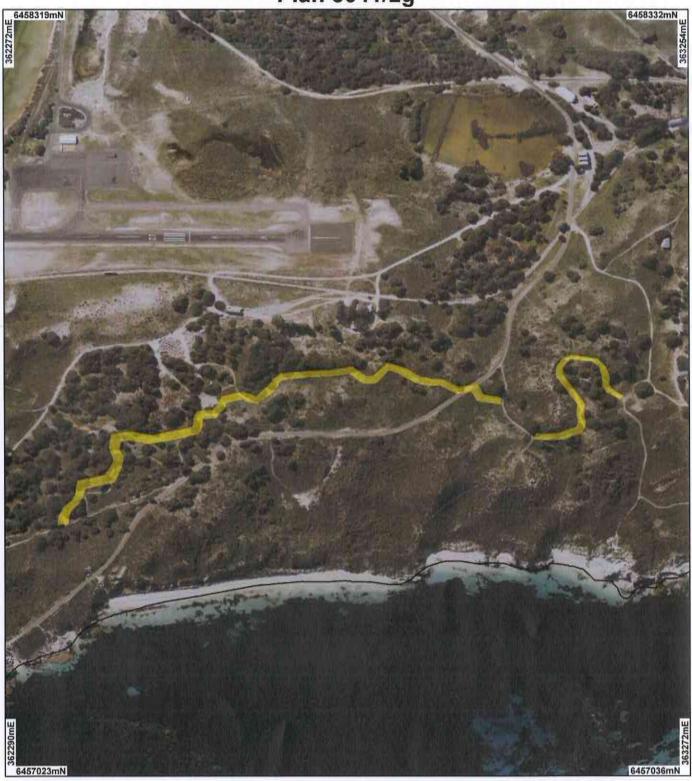
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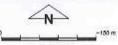


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Clearing Instruments

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## **Clearing Permit Decision Report**

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### 1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.:

5641/2

Permit type:

Area Permit

1.2. Proponent details

Proponent's name:

**Rottnest Island Authority** 

1.3. Property details

Property:

1.76

LOT 10976 ON PLAN 216860 (House No. 1 SOMERVILLE ROTTNEST ISLAND 6161)

LOT 11022 ON PLAN 216932 (Lot No. 11022 HENDERSON ROTTNEST ISLAND 6161)

Local Government Area:

City of Cockburn

Colloquial name:

Rottnest Island

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:** 

Grant

**Decision Date:** 

30 January 2014

### 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 15: Low forest; cypress pine (Shepherd et al, 2001).

Mapped Beard vegetation association 125: Bare areas; salt lakes (Shepherd et al, 2001).

Mapped Beard vegetation association 1007: Mosaic: Shrublands; Acacia lasiocarpa and Melaleuca acerosa heath / Shrublands; Acacia rostellifera & Acacia cyclops thicket (Shepherd et al, 2001).

Heddle vegetation complex Quindalup complex: Coastal dune complex consisting mainly of two alliance, the strand and fore-dune alliance and the mobile and stable dune alliance. Local variations include the low closed forest of M. lanceolata - Callitris preissii and the closed scrub of Acacia rostellifera (Heddle et al., 1980).

Clearing Description

The application is to clear 1.76 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 10976 on Deposited Plan 216860, Rottnest Island, for the purpose of constructing a walking trail

Vegetation Condition Degraded: Structure

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 clearing will be undertaken over an 8.8 kilometre linear length with the maximum clearing width being two metres. The average clearing width is expected to be 1.2 meters wide.

The vegetation under application is considered to be in a degraded to very good (Keighery, 1994) condition.

The condition of the vegetation under application was obtained via aerial imagery (Rottnest Island Aug 2011 - Mosaic).

### 3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

### Comments

The proponent has applied to relocate a section of the application area further away from a seasonally inundated area. A review of current environmental information reveals no new additional information. Therefore the assessment against the clearing principles has not changed and can be found in the Clearing Permit Decision Report CPS 5641/1.

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

Comments

The areas under application are within Aboriginal sites of significance.

The Rottnest Island Authority administers the management of the Island under the provisions of the Rottnest Island Authority Act 1987 and Rottnest Island Regulations.

Methodology

GIS Data sets

- Aboriginal sites of significance

### 4. References

Heddle, E. M., Loneragan, O. W., and Havel, J. J. (1980) Vegetation Complexes of the Darling System, Western Australia. In Department of Conservation and Environment, Atlas of Natural Resources, Darling System, Western Australia.

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.

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