

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 5641/4

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 5641/4a, Plan 5641/4b, Plan 5641/4c, Plan 5641/4d, Plan 5641/4e, Plan 5641/4f and Plan 5641/4g.

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; 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.

Jane Clarkson

A/SENIOR MANAGER CLEARING REGULATION

Officer delegated under Section 20

of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

2 October 2014

Plan 5641/4a

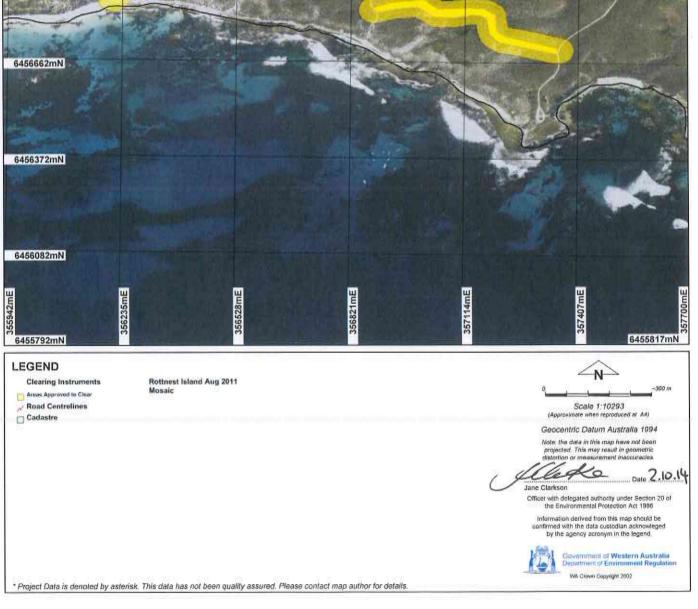




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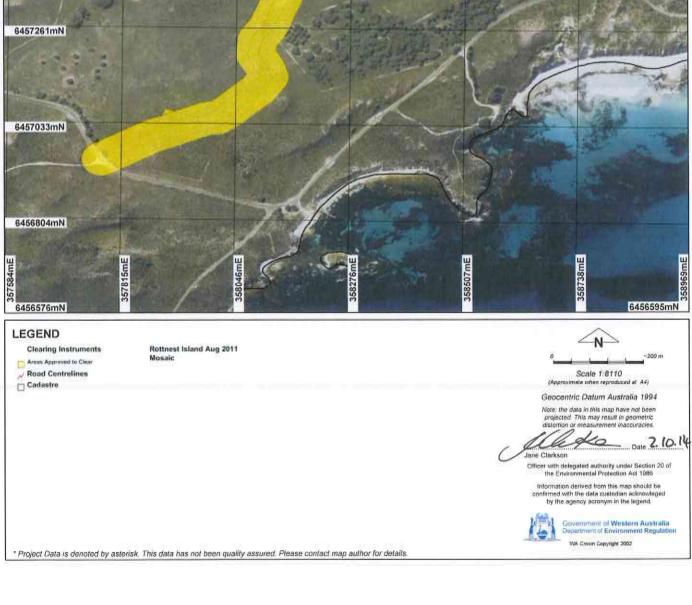
Plan 5641/4b



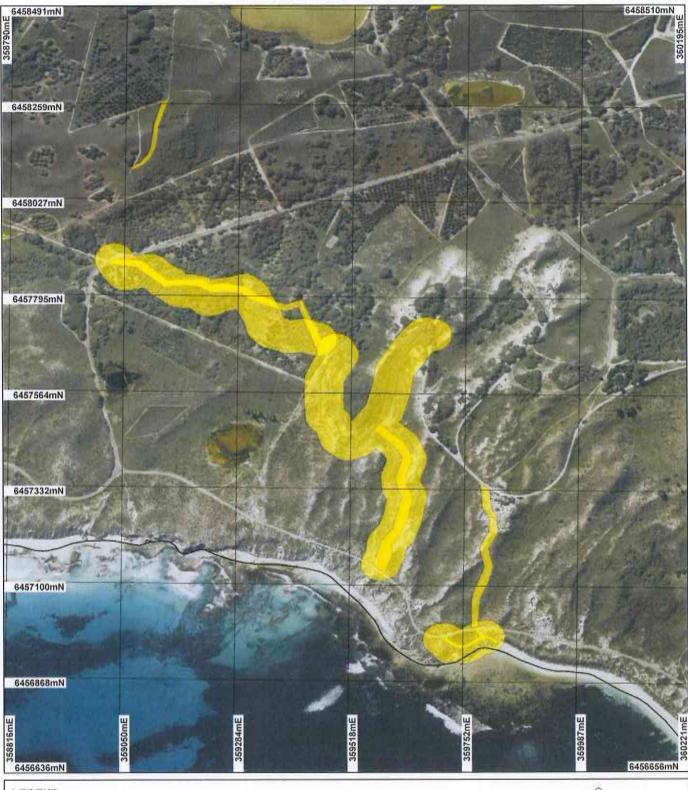


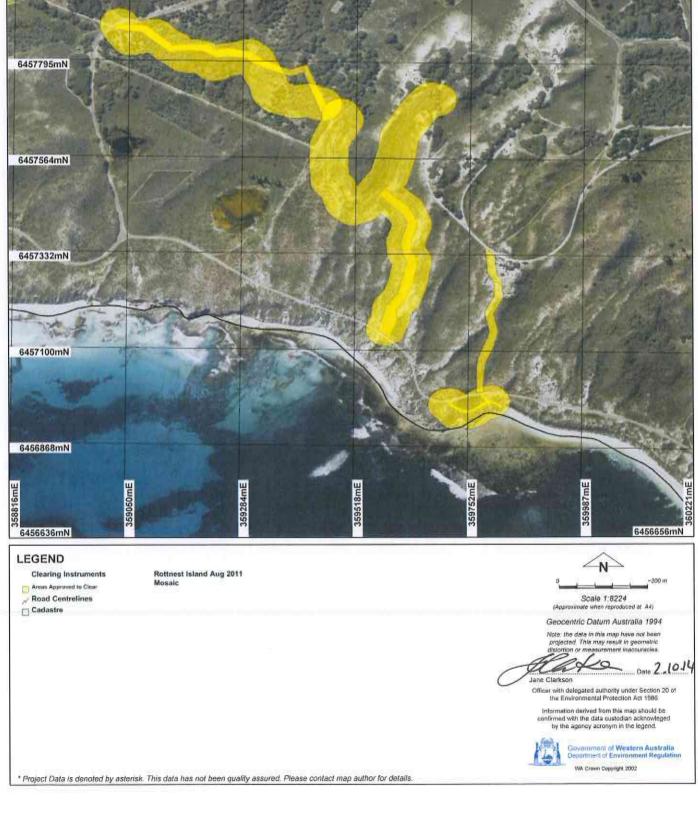
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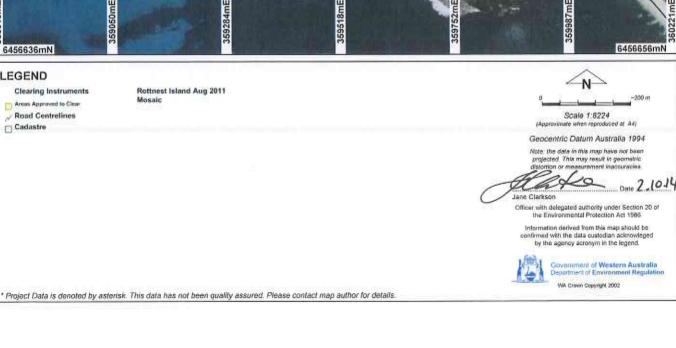




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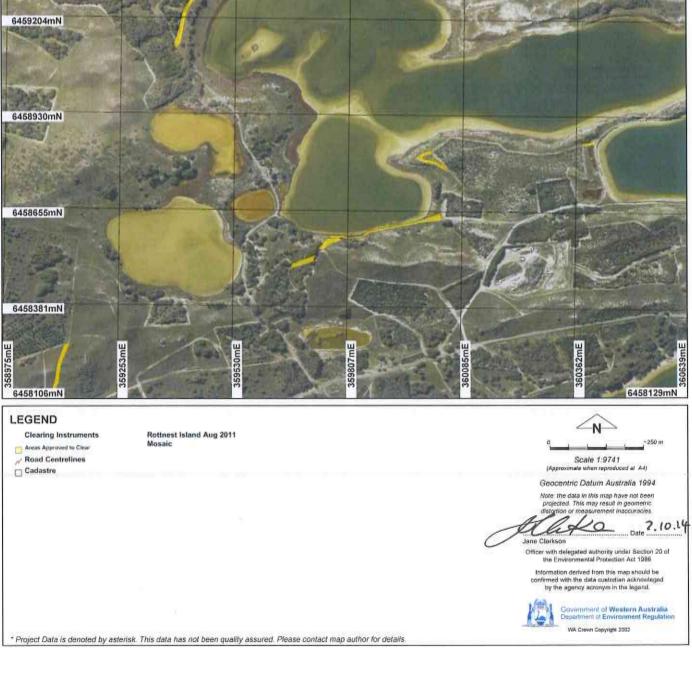






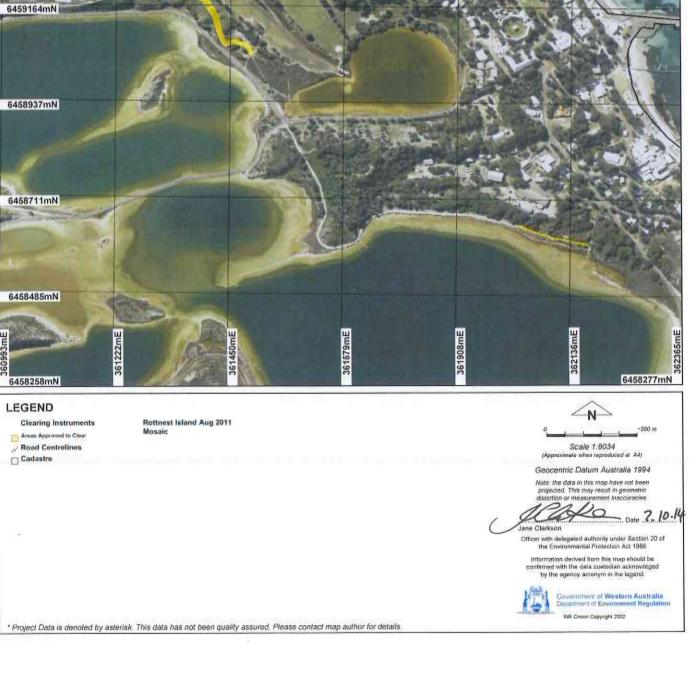
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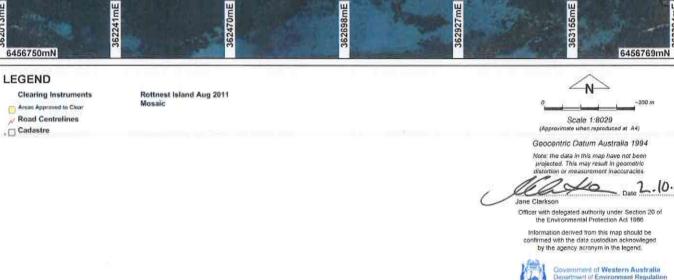
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Clearing Permit Decision Report

Government of Western Australia
Department of Environment Regulation

1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.:

5641/4

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 VINCENT ROTTNEST ISLAND 6161)

Local Government Area:

Colloquial name:

City of Cockburn

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:

Grant

2 October 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 associations:

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

125; Bare areas; salt lakes (Shepherd et al, 2001).

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 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

3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments

The proponent has changed the footprint of several areas of the walk trail to allow for a 40 metre buffer around the previous granted areas shown on Plan 5641/3a, Plan 5641/3b, Plan 5641/3c and Plan 5641/3d.

The assessment against the clearing principles has not changed and can be found in Decision Report CPS 5641/1.

Planning instrument, Native Title, RIWI Act Licence, EP Act Licence, Works Approval, Previous EPA decision or other matter.

Comments

The assessment against Planning and Other Matters has not changed and can be found in Decision Report CPS 5641/1.

4. References

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