



GOVERNMENT OF  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## **CLEARING PERMIT**

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

### **PERMIT DETAILS**

Area Permit Number: 5694/1

File Number: 2013/000089-1

Duration of Permit: From 12 October 2013 to 12 October 2015

### **PERMIT HOLDER**

Christine Fiona Schilling

Paul Scott Schilling

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

Lot 1 on Plan 11696, Westdale.

### **AUTHORISED ACTIVITY**

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 0.4 hectares of native vegetation within the areas hatched yellow on attached Plan 5694/1.

### **CONDITIONS**

Nil.

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M Warnock  
MANAGER  
NATIVE VEGETATION CONSERVATION BRANCH

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

12 September 2013

# Plan 5694/1



## LEGEND

- Road Centrelines
- Local Government Authorities
- Clearing Instruments
- Areas Approved to Clear

Beverley 50cm Orthomosaic - Landgate 2006



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(Approximate when reproduced at A4)

Geocentric Datum Australia 1994

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*M Warnock* Date 12/9/13

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# Clearing Permit Decision Report

## 1. Application details

### 1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 5694/1  
Permit type: Area Permit

### 1.2. Proponent details

Proponent's name: Paul Scott and Christine Fiona Schilling

### 1.3. Property details

Property: LOT 1 ON PLAN 11696 (House No. 375 COLLINS WESTDALE 6304)  
Local Government Area: Shire of Beverley  
Colloquial name:

### 1.4. Application

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

### 1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application: Grant  
Decision Date: 12 September 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 3 is described as medium forest; jarrah-marri (Shepherd et al 2001)	The application is to clear up to 0.4 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 1 on Plan 11696, Westdale, for the purpose of improving run off into an existing dam.	Completely Degraded: No longer intact; completely/almost completely without native species (Keighery 1994)	The vegetation condition was established by an inspection of the application area on the 6 September 2013 by Department of Environment Regulation (2013) staff.
Mattiske vegetation complex Yalanbee (Y6) described as woodland of Eucalyptus wandoo-Eucalyptus accedens, less consistently open forest of Eucalyptus marginata fs24 subsp. thalassica-Corymbia calophylla on lateritic uplands and breakaway landscapes in arid and perarid zones (Mattiske et al 1998).			The vegetation under application consists of Wandoo and Marri trees over pasture species in a completely degraded (Keighery 1994) condition.

## 3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

The application is to clear up to 0.4 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 1 on Plan 11696, Westdale, for the purpose of improving run off into an existing dam.

The vegetation under application consists of scattered Wandoo (*Eucalyptus wandoo*) and Marri (*Corymbia calophylla*) trees over pasture weeds in a completely degraded (Keighery 1994) condition.

Given the completely degraded condition of the vegetation it is not likely to provided habitat for priority flora or be representative of a threatened ecological community. As no watercourses are present within the application area the proposed clearing is not likely to lead to land degradation, deteriorate the quality of surface or ground water or increase the likelihood of flooding. The vegetation is not adjacent to a conservation reserve and the vegetation associations mapped within the application area all retain above the recommended level of 30 percent.

A site inspection of the application area undertaken by Department of Environment Regulation staff (DER 2013) did not reveal any hollows suitable for endangered Cockatoo breeding. Given the completely degraded condition of the application area and extent of similar vegetation in a good or better condition in the local area (10 kilometre radius), the application is not likely to contain significant fauna habitat.

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

**Methodology** References  
Keighery (1994)  
DER (2013)

GIS databases:  
- Hydrography, linear  
- Matisse Vegetation Complexes  
- Pre-European vegetation  
- SAC Biodatasets (September 2013)  
- DEC Managed Lands  
- Beverley 50cm Orthomosaic - Landgate 2006

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

#### Comments

No submissions from the public have been received.

No Aboriginal Sites of Significance have been mapped within the application area.

The application area is zoned farming under the Local Town Planning Scheme.

The Department of Water had no comment on the clearing application.

**Methodology** GIS Databases  
-Town Planning Scheme Zones  
- Aboriginal Sites of Significance

## 4. References

- DER (2013) Site Inspection Report for Clearing Permit Application CPS 5694/1 and 5700/1, Lot 1 on Plan 11696. Site inspection undertaken 6/09 /2013. Department of Environment Regulation, Western Australia (DER Ref A672127).
- Government of Western Australia. (2013). 2012 Statewide Vegetation Statistics incorporating the CAR Reserve Analysis (Full Report). Current as of October 2012. WA Department of Environment and Conservation, Perth.
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- Matisse, E.M. and Havel, J.J. (1998) Vegetation Complexes of the South-west Forest Region of Western Australia. Maps and report prepared as part of the Regional Forest Agreement, Western Australia for the Department of Conservation and Land Management and Environment Australia.
- 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)