

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 6841/1

File Number:

2015/002564-1

Duration of Permit: 5 March 2016 to 5 March 2018

PERMIT HOLDER

City of Armadale

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Nicholson Road reserve (PIN 12153762), Piara Waters

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 29 native trees within the area cross hatched yellow on attached Plan 6841/1.

CONDITIONS

Nil.

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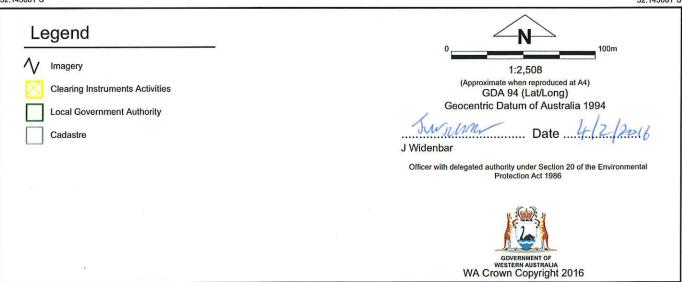
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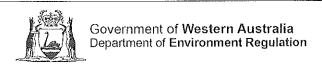
CLEARING REGULATION

Officer delegated under Section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

4 February 2016







Clearing Permit Decision Report

1. Application details

Permit application details

Permit application No.:

6841/1

Permit type:

Area Permit

Applicant details

Applicant's name:

City of Armadale

1.3. Property details

Property:

NICHOLSON ROAD RESERVE (PIN 12153762), PIARA WATERS

Local Government Authority:

ARMADALE, CITY OF Greater Swan

DER Region:

Colloquial name:

1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)

No. Trees

Method of Clearing

For the purpose of:

29

Mechanical Removal

Road construction or upgrades

Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application:

Decision Date:

Granted

4 February 2016

Reasons for Decision:

The clearing application has been assessed against the clearing principles, planning instruments and other matters in accordance with s510 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986, and it has been concluded that the proposed clearing is at varaicne to Principle (f) and

not likely to be at variance to any of the remaining clearing principles.

Through assessment it has been determined that the clearing is unlikely to have any significant environmental impacts. State policies and other relevant policies have been taken into consideration in the decision to grant a clearing permit.

2. Site Information

2.1. Existing environment and information

2.1.1. Description of the native vegetation under application

Vegetation Description Heddle vegetation Southern River Complex is comprised of open woodland (Heddle et al. 1980)

Beard vegetation association 1001 is described as Medium very sparse woodland: jarrah, with low woodland; banksia & casuarina (Shepherd et al., 2001)

Clearing Description The application is to clear to clear 29 native trees within Nicholson Road reserve (PIN 12153762), Piara Waters, for the purpose of road widening

Vegetation Condition Degraded; Structure severely disturbed; regeneration to good condition requires intensive management (Keighery, 1994).

Comment

Vegetation condition determined through aerial imagery.

Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments

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The application area is mapped within a Multiple Use Wetland. These types of wetlands have few important ecological attributes and functions remaining (Water and Rivers Commissions, 2001). Given the application area is located within Nicholson Road reserve and is in a degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition it is unlikely to have significant impact on the environmental values of the wetland. However, as the application area consists of vegetation associated with a wetland, the proposed clearing is at variance to Principle (f).

Consideration has been given to impacts to biodiversity, significant fauna habitat, rare flora, threatened

ecological communities, remnant vegetation values, watercourses, land degradation, surface water quality, groundwater quality, and flooding. The assessment has found that the proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance to any of the remaining clearing principles.

No submissions have been received.

Methodology

References: Keighery (1994)

Water and Rivers Commissions (2001)

GIS Databases:

- Hydrology, linear
- IBRA, Australia
- Aboriginal Sites of Significance
- Parks and Wildlife Tenure
- Geomorphic Wetlands
- Groundwater salinity, statewide
- RIWI Act, Areas
- Pre-European Vegetation
- SAC Biodatasets Accessed December 2015

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, Extent, Type and Status. Resource Management Technical Report 249. Department of Agriculture, Western Australia.

Water and Rivers Commission (2001) Position Statement: Wetlands, Water and Rivers Commission, Perth.