



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 6879/1

File Number: DER2015/002905-1

Duration of Permit: From 26 March 2016 – 26 March 2018

PERMIT HOLDER

Department of Corrective Services

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Lot 11750 on Deposited Plan 217028 (Crown Reserve 39544), Narngulu.

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 0.77 hectares of native vegetation within the areas cross hatched yellow on the attached Plan 6879/1.

CONDITIONS

Nil.

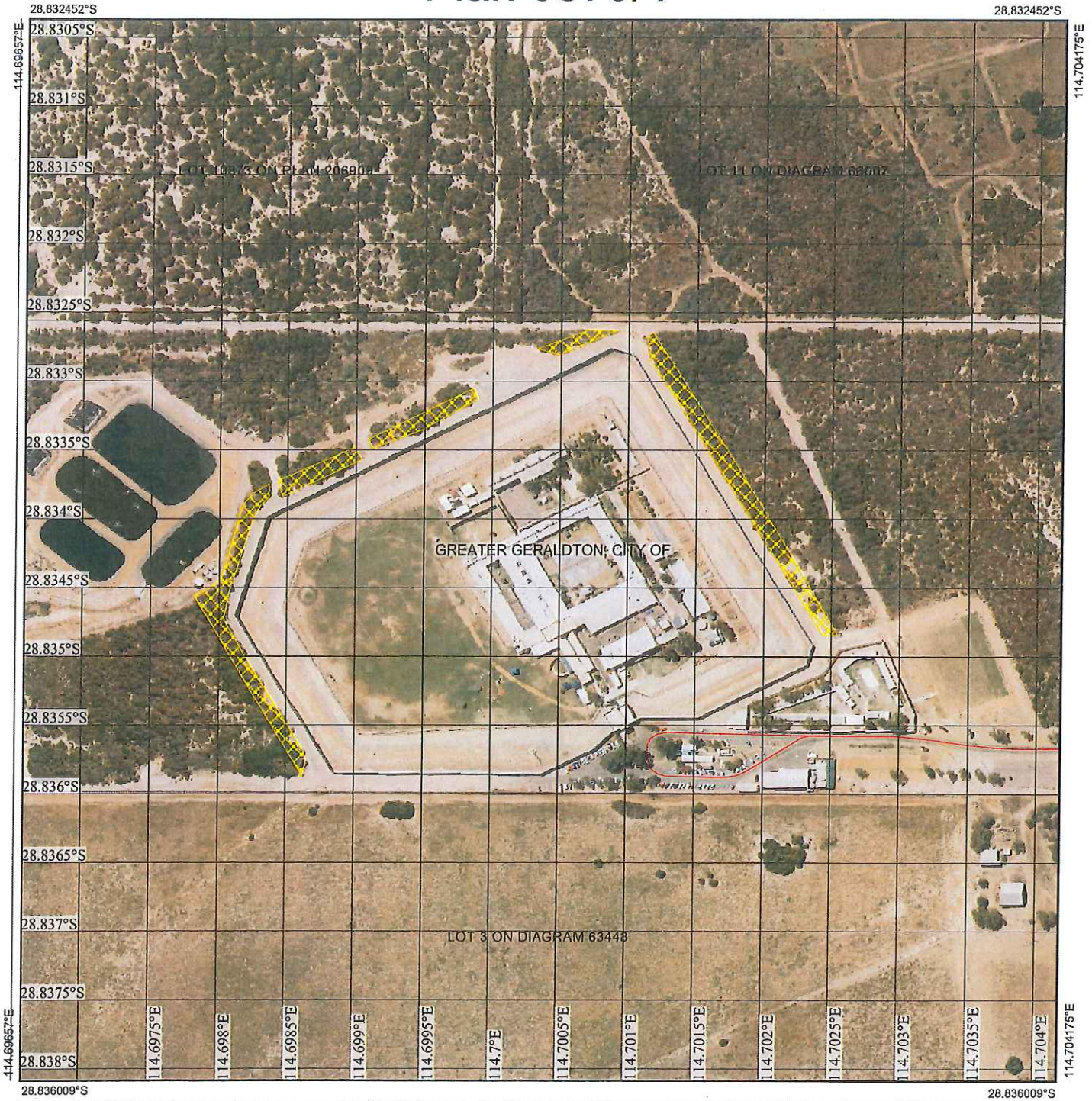
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Simon Weighell
A/MANAGER
CLEARING REGULATION

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

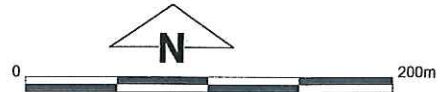
25 February 2016

Plan 6879/1



Legend

-  Roads
-  Imagery
-  Clearing Instruments Activities
-  Local Government Authority
-  Cadastre



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 (Approximate when reproduced at A4)
 GDA 94 (Lat/Long)
 Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994

S. Weighell Date 25/2/16
 Simon Weighell

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1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 6879/1
Permit type: Area Permit

1.2. Applicant details

Applicant's name: Department of Corrective Services

1.3. Property details

Property: LOT 11750 ON PLAN 217028, NARNGULU
Local Government Authority: GREATER GERALDTON, CITY OF
DER Region: Midwest
DPaW District: GERALDTON
Localities: NARNGULU

1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)	No. Trees	Method of Clearing	For the purpose of:
0.77		Mechanical Removal	Improving Prison Security

1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application: Grant
Decision Date: 25 February 2016
Reasons for Decision: The clearing application has been assessed against the clearing principles, planning instruments and other matters in accordance with s51O of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, and has concluded that the proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance to any of the clearing principles.

Through assessment it has been determined that the clearing of 0.77 hectares of native vegetation is unlikely to have any significant environmental impacts. Relevant 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

Beard Vegetation Association 359 is described as 'Shrublands; acacia & banksia scrub' (Shepherd et al., 2001).

Vegetation Condition

Good; Structure significantly altered by multiple disturbance; retains basic structure/ability to regenerate (Keighery, 1994).

To

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

3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments The applicant proposes to clear 0.77 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 11750 on Deposited Plan 217028 (Crown Reserve 39544), Narngulu, for the purpose of improving the security of Greenough Regional Prison.

Consideration has been given to impacts to biodiversity, significant fauna habitat, rare flora, threatened ecological communities, remnant vegetation values, watercourses, land degradation, conservation areas, surface water quality, groundwater quality, and flooding. The assessment has found that the clearing under application is not likely to be at variance to any of the clearing principles.

Methodology

- GIS Databases:
- Hydrography, linear
 - Hydrography, heirachery
 - IBRA Australia
 - Groundwater salinity, statewide
 - Pre-European Vegetation
 - SAC Bio datasets (Accessed February 2016)

Planning instruments and other relevant matters.

Comments The City of Greater Geraldton (2016) recommends that if a clearing permit is granted, the applicant should limit further disturbance to surrounding native vegetation and continue with weed management practices along the edge of the tracks. The City requests that vegetation cleared from the site is to be used for brushing in bushland with similar plant communities to encourage rehabilitation (City of Greater Geraldton, 2016).

The application was advertised on Monday 1 February 2016 for a 21 day submission period. No submissions relating to this application have been received.

Methodology References:
City of Greater Geraldton (2016)

4. References

- City of Greater Geraldton (2016) Direct Interest Submission for Clearing Permit Application CPS 6879/1. DER Ref A1053158
- 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.