



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 6970/1
File Number: DER2015/002697-1
Duration of Permit: From 21 May 2016 to 21 May 2018

PERMIT HOLDER

City of Albany

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Lot 7562 on Deposited Plan 186463, Wellstead
Unnamed road reserve (Pin 1093781), Wellstead

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 0.25 hectares of native vegetation within the areas cross hatched yellow on the attached Plan 6970/1.

CONDITIONS

1. Dieback and 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* and *dieback*:

- (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
- (b) ensure that no *dieback* or *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:

dieback means the effect of *Phytophthora* species on native vegetation;

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.

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James Widenbar
MANAGER
CLEARING REGULATION

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

21 April 2016

Plan 6970/1



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

James Widenbar Date *21/24/2016*
 James Widenbar

Officer with delegated authority under Section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986



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1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 6970/1
Permit type: Area Permit

1.2. Applicant details

Applicant's name: City of Albany

1.3. Property details

Property: Lot 7562 on Deposited Plan 186463
Unnamed road reserve (PIN 1093781)
Local Government Authority: City of Albany
Localities: Wellstead

1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)	No. Trees	Method of Clearing	For the purpose of:
0.25		Mechanical Removal	Creating a firebreak and fire protection areas

1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application: Granted
Decision Date: 21 April 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 a small degraded (Keighery, 1994) area 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 980 is described as shrublands comprising jarrah mallee-heath (Shepherd et al, 2001).	Vegetation Condition	Degraded: Structure severely disturbed; regeneration to good condition requires intensive management (Keighery 1994)
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3. Assessment of application against clearing principles, planning instruments and other relevant matters

Comments The City of Albany has applied to clear up to 0.25 hectares of native vegetation for the purpose of creating a firebreak and fire protection areas within Lot 7562 on Deposited Plan 186463 and an unnamed road reserve.

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:
- DPaW Tenure
- Hydrography, linear
- Hydrography, heirachery
- IBRA Australia
- Groundwater salinity, statewide
- Pre-European Vegetation
- SAC Biodatasets (Accessed April 2016)

4. References

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.