

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: CPS 7051/1

File Number:

DER2016/000648-1

Duration of Permit: From 23 July 2016 to 23 July 2018

PERMIT HOLDER

Claire Nicola Poole Michael David Poole

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Lot 7440 on Deposited Plan 206367, Napier

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 0.984 hectares of native vegetation within the area crosshatched yellow on attached Plan 7051/1.

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;
- (c) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared; and
- (d) only move soils in dry conditions.

DEFINITIONS

The following meanings are given to terms used in this Permit:

dieback means the effect of Phytophthora species on native vegetation;

dry conditions means when soils (not dust) do not freely adhere to rubber tyres, tracks, vehicle chassis or wheel arches;

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.

James Widenbar

MANAGER

CLEARING REGULATION

Officer delegated under Section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

23 June 2016





34.849069°S Legend Imagery 1:2,000 (Approximate when reproduced at A4)
GDA 94 (Lat/Long)
Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 Clearing Instruments Activities Roads Swm Date 23/96/2016 Local Government Authority James Widenbar Cadastre Officer with delegated authority under Section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 WESTERN AUSTRALIA
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Clearing Permit Decision Report

1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.:

Permit type:

7051/1

Area Permit

1.2. Applicant details

Applicant's name:

Mr Michael David Poole Mrs Claire Nicola Poole

1.3. Property details

Property:

LOT 7440 ON PLAN 206367, NAPIER

Local Government Authority:

ALBANY, CITY OF

DER Region: DPaW District: SOUTH COAST

Localities:

0.984

ALBANY NAPIER

1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)

No. Trees

Method of Clearing

For the purpose of: Grazing & pasture

Mechanical Removal

1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application:

Decision Date:

Granted

Reasons for Decision:

23 June 2016
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 not likely to be at variance to any of the clearing principles.

Through assessment it has been determined that the proposed clearing may impact the environmental values of adjacent vegetation through the introduction or spread of weeds and dieback. Weed and dieback management measures will minimise impacts to this vegetation.

The Delegated Officer 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

Vegetation Description Mapped Beard vegetation association 3 is described as medium forest; jarrah-marri

(Shepherd et al. 2001).

Clearing Description

Clearing of 0.984 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 7440 on Deposited Plan 206367, Napier, for the purpose of pasture. Vegetation Condition

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

Comment

The condition of the vegetation was determined via aerial imagery.

3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments

The applicant proposes to clear 0.984 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 7440 on Deposited Plan 206367, Napier, for the purpose of pasture. The application area is comprised of vegetation which has been historically cleared and appears to lack the condition and density of adjacent vegetation on the same property.

Given the condition of the vegetation and the presence of vegetation in better condition nearby, the proposed clearing is not likely to impact on rare or priority flora, a priority or threatened ecological community, conservation reserves within the local area or significant fauna habitat and is not likely to be classified as clearing a significant remnant within a highly cleared landscape.

As no wetlands or watercourses are mapped within the application area and given there will be vegetation remaining adjacent to the application area, the proposed clearing is not likely to impact on riparian vegetation, contribute to or cause land degradation, deteriorate the quality of ground water or surface water and is not likely to cause or exacerbate flooding.

The disturbance caused by the proposed clearing may increase the risk of weeds and dieback spreading into the adjacent vegetation. Weed and dieback management conditions will assist in mitigating the impacts of the proposed clearing.

Given the above, the proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance to any of the clearing principles.

Methodology

GIS Databases:

- Hydrography, linearHydrography, hierarchy
- Parks and Wildlife tenure
- SAC bio datasets accessed June 2016
- Virtual mosaic

Planning instruments and other relevant matters.

Comments

The applicant proposes to clear 0.984 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 7440 on Deposited Plan 206367, Napier, for the purpose of pasture for a small quantity of sheep.

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

No public submissions have been received in relation to this application.

Methodology

GIS Databases:

- Aboriginal sites register system

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.