



## CLEARING PERMIT

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

<b>Purpose Permit number:</b>	CPS 7108/1
<b>Permit Holder:</b>	Shire of Cunderdin
<b>Duration of Permit:</b>	From 27 August 2016 to 27 August 2021

The Permit Holder is authorised to clear native vegetation subject to the following conditions of this Permit.

### CLEARING AUTHORISED

**1. Purpose for which clearing may be done**

Clearing for the purpose of road construction.

**2. Land on which clearing is to be done**

Lot 444 on Deposited Plan 406482, Cunderdin

Lot 50 on Plan 6113, Cunderdin

Olympic Avenue road reserve (PIN 1295253), Cunderdin

Carter Road reserve (PIN 12225625), Cunderdin

**3. Area of Clearing**

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 0.23 hectares of native vegetation within the area hatched yellow on attached Plan 7108/1.

**4. Application**

This Permit allows the Permit Holder to authorise persons, including employees, contractors and agents of the Permit Holder, to clear native vegetation for the purposes of this Permit subject to compliance with the conditions of this Permit and approval from the Permit Holder.

**5. Avoid, minimise etc clearing**

In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder must have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference:

- avoid the clearing of native vegetation;
- minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and
- reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.

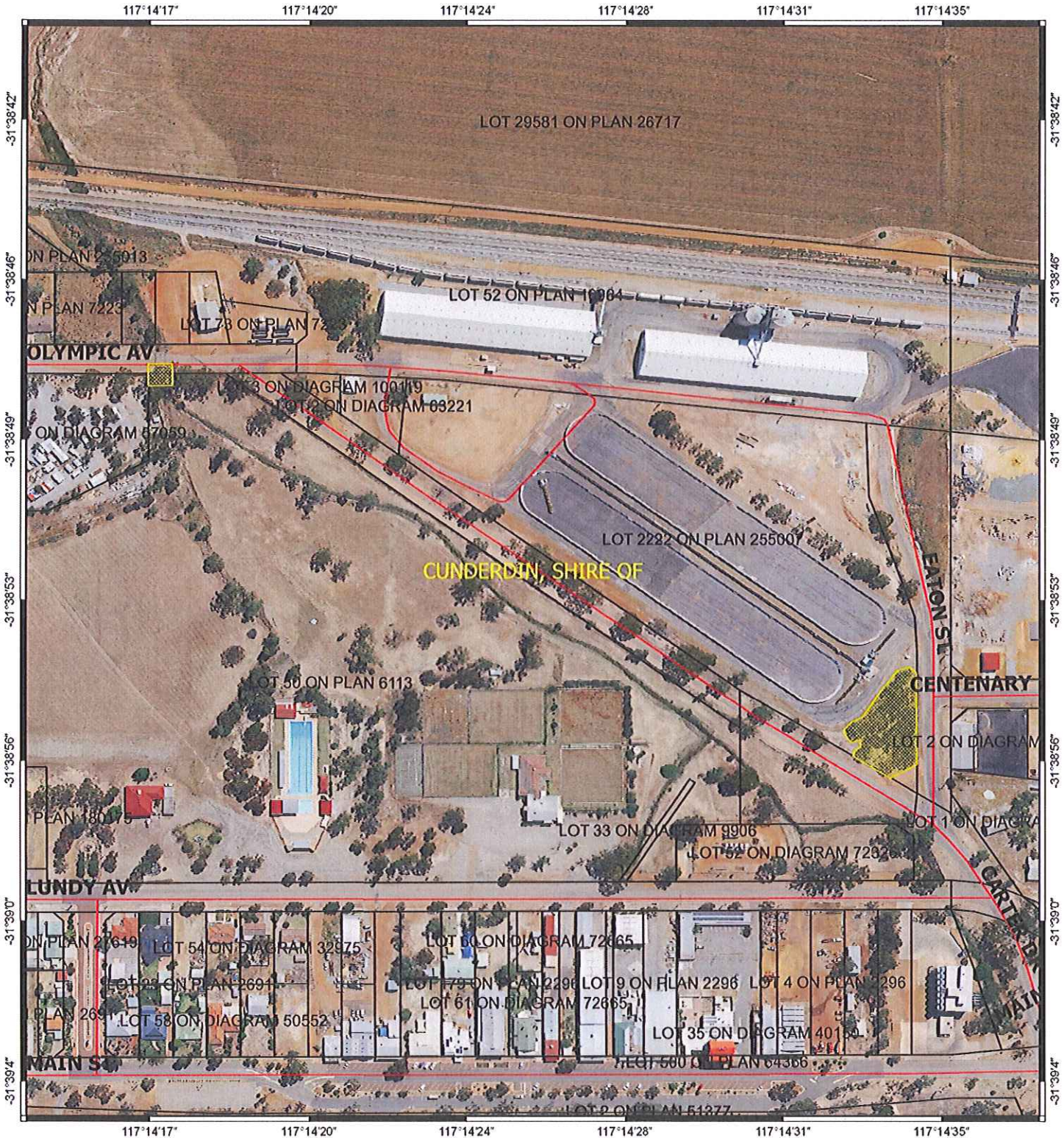
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Emma Bramwell  
A/MANAGER  
CLEARING REGULATION

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

28 July 2016

# Plan 7108/1



## Legend

-  Areas approved to clear
  -  Roads
  -  LGA
  -  Cadastre
- Virtual Mosaic (LGATE-V001)



1:2,500

MGA 94  
Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994

*Emma Bramwell* Date *28/07/16*  
Emma Bramwell

Officer with delegated authority under Section 20  
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## 1. Application details

### 1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 7108/1  
Permit type: Purpose Permit

### 1.2. Applicant details

Applicant's name: CUNDERDIN, SHIRE OF

### 1.1. Property details

Property: LOT 50 ON PLAN 6113, CUNDERDIN  
ROAD RESERVE - 1295253, CUNDERDIN  
ROAD RESERVE - 12225625, CUNDERDIN  
LOT 444 ON PLAN 406482, CUNDERDIN  
Local Government Authority: CUNDERDIN, SHIRE OF  
DER Region: Greater Swan  
DPaW District: CENTRAL WHEATBELT  
Localities: CUNDERDIN

### 1.2. Application

Clearing Area (ha)	No. Trees	Method of Clearing	For the purpose of:
0.23	0	Mechanical Removal	Road construction or upgrades

### 1.3. Decision on application

Decision on Permit: Granted  
Application:  
Decision Date: 28 July 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 it has been concluded that the proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance to the clearing principles.  
  
State 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	Clearing Description	Vegetation Condition	Comment
The vegetation under application is mapped as Beard vegetation association 1049 which is described as a medium woodland, wandoo, York gum, salmon gum, morrel and gimlet (Shepherd et al., 2001).	The application is to clear 0.23 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 50 on Plan 6113 and Eaton street road reserve for the purpose of road construction.	Completely Degraded; No longer intact, completely/almost completely without native species (Keighery, 1994).	The condition of the vegetation under application was determined via digital, aerial imagery and photos provided by the applicant (Shire of Cunderdin, 2016).

## 3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

**Comments** The application is to clear 0.23 hectares of native vegetation for road construction. Images of the application area provided by the Shire of Cunderdin (2016) indicate that the vegetation under application contains no native understorey and is not of a sufficient size as to contain significant habitat for conservation significant fauna recorded within the local area (Parks and Wildlife, 2007-). The application area falls within the Cunderdin town site and is bound on all sides by roads or industrial land uses.

Given the completely degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition of the vegetation, lack of understorey, limited size and isolation from other remnants, 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.

A minor non-perennial water course is mapped crossing through the application area. A review of aerial imagery and images provided by applicant (Shire of Cunderdin, 2016) confirms that the vegetation under application is not growing in association with this watercourse.

Noting that the vegetation under application is in completely degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition, size, the lack of understorey and as no watercourses are present within it, the proposed clearing is not likely to contribute to or cause land degradation, deteriorate the quality of ground water or surface water and is not likely to cause or exacerbate flooding.

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

**Methodology**    References:  
Keighery (1994)  
Parks and Wildlife (2007-)  
Shire of Cunderdin (2016)

GIS datasets:  
SAC Bio datasets accessed July 2016  
Hydrography linear

#### **Planning instruments and other relevant matters.**

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

The clearing permit application was advertised in *The West Australian* newspaper on 27 June 2016 with a 7 day submission period. No public submissions were received in relation to this application.

The application area falls within the Avon River Surface Water Area, proclaimed under the *Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914*. The Department Water (2016) advised that a permit to interfere with the bed and banks of a watercourse is required in this area. As clearing the vegetation under application is not likely to require the interference of the bed or banks of a watercourse, this permit may not be required.

**Methodology**    References:  
Department Water (2016)

GIS datasets:  
Aboriginal Sites of Significance

#### **4. References**

- Department of Parks and Wildlife (2007-) NatureMap: Mapping Western Australia's Biodiversity. Department of Environment and Conservation. URL: <http://naturemap.dpaw.wa.gov.au/>. Accessed July 2016.
- Department of Water (2016) Advice received in relation to clearing permit application CPS 7108/1. Received 8 July 2016. DER ref: A1127437.
- 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.
- Shire of Cunderdin (2016) Information submitted in support of clearing permit application CPS 7108/1. DER ref: A1109177.