



GOVERNMENT OF  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## CLEARING PERMIT

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

<b>Purpose Permit number:</b>	CPS 7344/1
<b>Permit Holder:</b>	Minister for Transport
<b>Duration of Permit:</b>	18 February 2017 to 18 February 2022

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

### PART I – CLEARING AUTHORISED

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

Clearing for the purpose of constructing the Burswood Public Jetty.

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

Lot 1001 on Deposited Plan 403881, Burswood

**3. Area of Clearing**

The Permit Holder must not clear more than 0.06 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7344/1.

**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.

### PART II – MANAGEMENT CONDITIONS

**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.

Emma Bramwell  
A/ MANAGER  
CLEARING REGULATION



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

19 January 2017

# Plan 7344/1



## Legend

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



1:2,256

(Approximate when reproduced at A4)

GDA 94 (Lat/Long)

Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994

 Date 19/01/17

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## 1. Application details

### 1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 7344/1  
Permit type: Purpose Permit

### 1.2. Applicant details

Applicant's name: Minister for Transport

### 1.3. Property details

Property: LOT 1001 ON PLAN 403881, BURSWOOD  
Local Government Authority: VICTORIA PARK, TOWN OF  
DER Region: Greater Swan  
DPaW District: SWAN COASTAL  
Localities: BURSWOOD

### 1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)	No. Trees	Method of Clearing	For the purpose of:
0.06		Mechanical Removal	Building or structure

### 1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application: Grant  
Decision Date: 19 January 2017  
Reasons for Decision: The clearing permit application was received on 28 October 2016 and has been assessed against the clearing principles, planning instruments and other matters in accordance with section 51O of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*. It has been concluded that the proposed clearing is at variance to principle (f) and is not likely to be at variance to any of the remaining clearing principles.

The Delegated Officer determined that the clearing is unlikely to have any significant environmental impacts.

## 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 application area has been mapped as Beard vegetation association 1009 which is described as medium woodland; marri and river gum (Shepherd et al., 2001).	The Minister for Transport proposes to clear 0.06 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 1001 on Deposited Plan 403881, Burswood, for the purpose of constructing the Burswood Public Jetty.	Very Good; Vegetation structure altered; obvious signs of disturbance (Keighery, 1994).	The application area consists of <i>Juncus krausii</i> sedgeland with patches of <i>Tecticornia</i> sp. over <i>Sporobolus virginicus</i> closed grassland. Other species include ? <i>Wilsonia backhousei</i> , an epiphytic green alga growing on or entangled in the roots and stems of the <i>Juncus krausii</i> at the water's edge and isolated individual <i>Casuarina obesa</i> (RPS, 2016)  The condition and description of the application area was determined via supporting documentation provided by the applicant (RPS, 2016).

## 3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

**Comments** The Minister for Transport proposes to clear 0.06 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 1001 on Deposited Plan 403881, Burswood, for the purpose of constructing the Burswood Public Jetty.

The application area consists of *Juncus krausii* sedgeland with patches of *Tecticornia* sp. over *Sporobolus virginicus* closed grassland. No rare or priority flora were recorded within the application area (RPS, 2016).

The floristic composition of the foreshore vegetation within the application area is consistent with that of the Commonwealth listed threatened ecological community, and State listed priority ecological community, 'Subtropical and Temperate Coastal Saltmarsh' (RPS, 2016). The minimal threshold size for this community is 0.1 hectares, and the extent of the proposed clearing is below this minimal threshold.

Given the extent of the proposed clearing and the linear shape of the application area, the application area is not likely to provide significant fauna habitat, and the proposed clearing is not likely to significantly impact on the environmental values of conservation areas, or cause or exacerbate flooding.

The vegetation within the application area is growing on the bank of the Swan River. The proposed clearing of this vegetation is likely to result in water erosion causing an increased sediment load entering the Swan River, however this impact is likely to be minor and short term during the clearing process.

The Town of Victoria Park retains one per cent of its pre-European vegetation extent (Government of Western Australia, 2015) and therefore the application area is located within a highly cleared area. However given the extent of the proposed clearing and the linear shape of the application area, the application area is not likely to comprise a significant remnant in this highly cleared area.

Given the above, the proposed clearing is at variance to principle (f) and is not likely to be at variance to any of the remaining clearing principles.

**Methodology**    References:  
Government of Western Australia (2015)  
RPS (2016)

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

**Comments**      The application was advertised in *The West Australian* newspaper on 21 November 2016 by the Department of Environment Regulation inviting submissions from the public within a 21 day period. No submissions were received in relation to this application.

The Department of Parks and Wildlife, under Part 5 of the *Swan and Canning Rivers Management Act 2006*, has issued draft approval with conditions for this project. Section 2.8 of the draft approval states that the Town of Victoria Park Council recommends approval of the development (Department of Parks and Wildlife, 2016).

**Methodology**    References:  
Department of Parks and Wildlife (2016)

#### **4. References**

- Department of Parks and Wildlife (2016) Draft approval with conditions for the construction of a public floating jetty (DER Ref: A1357067).
- Government of Western Australia (2015). 2015 Statewide Vegetation Statistics incorporating the CAR Reserve Analysis (Full Report). Current as of June 2015. WA Department of Parks and Wildlife, Perth.
- Keighery, B.J. (1994) Bushland Plant Survey: A Guide to Plant Community Survey for the Community. Wildflower Society of WA (Inc). Nedlands, Western Australia.
- RPS Australia West Pty Ltd (2016) Supporting information provided with the application. Memorandum: Purpose Permit Clearing Applicatio - Burswood Public Jetty (DER Ref: A1187638).
- 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.