

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Purpose Permit number:

CPS 7363/1

Permit Holder:

Shire of Pingelly

Duration of Permit:

18 February 2017 – 18 February 2022

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

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 3092 ON DEPOSITED PLAN 102157, EAST PINGELLY LOT 19927 ON DEPOSITED PLAN 255478, EAST PINGELLY WICKEPIN-PINGELLY ROAD RESERVE - 11530640, EAST PINGELLY WICKEPIN-PINGELLY ROAD RESERVE - 11553884, EAST PINGELLY WICKEPIN-PINGELLY ROAD RESERVE - 11553883, EAST PINGELLY

3. Area of Clearing

The Permit Holder must not clear more than 0.78 hectares of native vegetation within the area hatched yellow on attached Plan 7363/1.

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. Type of clearing authorised

This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the activities described in condition 1 of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those activities under the *Local Government Act 1995* or any other written law.

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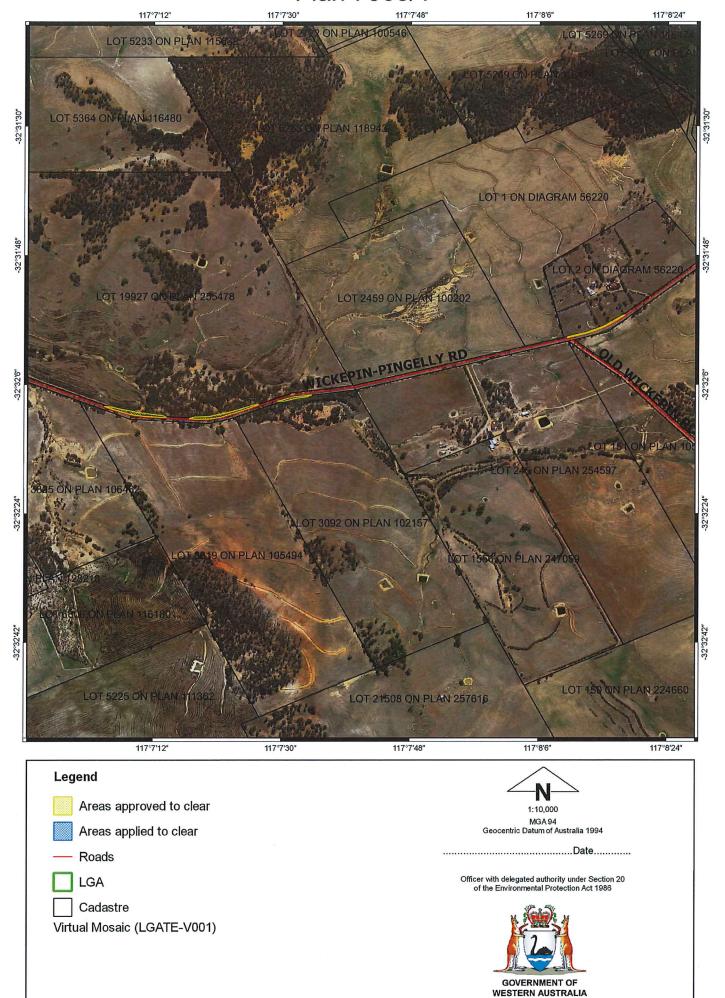
MANAGER

CLEARING REGULATION

Officer delegated under Section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

19 January 2017

Plan 7363/1





Clearing Permit Decision Report

1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.:

7363/1

Permit type:

Purpose Permit

Applicant details 1.2.

Applicant's name:

Shire of Pingelly

1.3. Property details

Property:

LOT 3092 ON DEPOSITED PLAN 102157, EAST PINGELLY LOT 19927 ON DEPOSITED PLAN 255478, EAST PINGELLY

ROAD RESERVE - 11530640, EAST PINGELLY ROAD RESERVE - 11553884, EAST PINGELLY ROAD RESERVE - 11553883, EAST PINGELLY

Local Government

Authority: **DER Region:**

Greater Swan

DPaW District: Localities:

GREAT SOUTHERN EAST PINGELLY

PINGELLY, SHIRE OF

1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)

No. Trees

Method of Clearing

For the purpose of:

Road construction or upgrades

0.78 Mechanical Removal

1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit

Granted

Application:

Decision Date:

19 January 2017

Reasons for Decision:

The clearing permit application received on 14 November 2016 has been assessed against the clearing principles, planning instruments and other matters in accordance with section 510 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.

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

environmental impacts.

2. Site Information

Existing environment and information

2.1.1. Description of the native vegetation under application

Vegetation Description

Mapped Beard vegetation association is described as Medium woodland; York gum, wandoo and salmon gum (Shepherd et al., 2001).

Environment Department of Regulation (DER) site inspection recorded the vegetation within the application area as sparse Acacia Eucalyptus loxophleba acuminata, subsp. loxophleba open woodland in a completely degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition. No understory was observed within the application area (DER, 2017).

Clearing Description

Clearing 0.78 hectares of native vegetation within Wickepin-Pingelly Road reserve (PINs 11553883, 11553884 11530640), Lot 3092 on Deposited Plan 102157 19927 and Lot Deposited Plan 255478, East Pingelly, for the purpose of road widening and realignment.

Vegetation Condition

Completely Degraded; No longer intact, completely/almost completely without native species (Keighery, 1994).

Comment

The condition and description the vegetation within the application area was determined by a site inspection undertaken by officers DER on January 2017.

3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

Comments

The application is to clear 0.78 hectares of native vegetation within Wickepin-Pingelly Road reserve (PINs 11553883, 11553884 and 11530640), Lot 3092 on Deposited Plan 102157 and Lot 19927 on Deposited Plan 255478, East Pingelly, for the purpose of road widening and realignment. A DER site inspection recorded the vegetation within the application area as sparse Acacia acuminata, Eucalyptus loxophleba subsp. loxophleba open woodland in a completely degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition. No understory was observed within the

application area (DER, 2017).

Given the completely degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition of the vegetation, lack of understorey species, lack of hollow bearing trees and relatively small size of the application area; 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 located within the application area and given its linear nature, 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.

Given the above, clearing the vegetation within the application area is not likely to be at variance to the clearing principles.

Methodology

References:

DER (2017) Keighery (1994)

GIS Datasets:

SAC bio-data sets, accessed January 2017

Hydrography linear
Parks and Wildlife tenure

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 5 December 2017 with a 21 day submission period. No public submissions have been received in relation to this application.

4. References

Department of Environment Regulation (DER) (2017) Site Inspection Report for Clearing Permit Application CPS 7363/1. Site inspection undertaken 5 January 2017. Department of Environment Regulation, Western Australia (DER ref: A135265). 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.