



## CLEARING PERMIT

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

### PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 7450/2  
File Number: 2011/006844-1  
Duration of Permit: 15 March 2018 to 15 March 2020

### PERMIT HOLDER

Shire of Esperance

### LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Ridglands Road Reserve (PIN: 11645177), Condingup

### AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 0.982 hectares of native vegetation within the area hatched yellow on attached Plan 7450/2.

### CONDITIONS

#### 1. Avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of 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:

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

#### 2. Dieback and weed control

When undertaking any clearing 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.

#### 3. Records must be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit, in relation to the clearing of native vegetation authorised under this Permit:

- (a) the location where the clearing occurred, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 1994 (GDA94), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees;
- (b) the date that the area was cleared;
- (c) the size of the area cleared (in hectares); and
- (d) actions taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing in accordance with condition 1 of this Permit; and
- (e) actions taken to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of *weeds* and *dieback* in accordance with condition 2 of this Permit.

#### 4. Reporting

At the completion of clearing activities, the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, a written report of records required under condition 3 of this Permit.

## DEFINITIONS

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

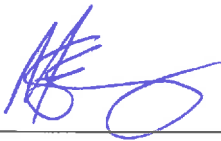
**dieback** means the effect of *Phytophthora* species on native vegetation;

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

15 March 2018

# Plan 7450/2



## Legend

-  Areas approved to clear
-  Roads
-  Cadastre

300



300 m

MGA 94  
Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994

 Date: 15/3/2018

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## 1. Application details

### 1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 7450/2  
Permit type: Area Permit

### 1.2. Proponent details

Applicant's name: Shire of Esperance

### 1.3. Property details

Property: Ridgeland Road Reserve (PIN: 11645177), Condingup  
Local Government Authority: Shire of Esperance  
Localities: Condingup

### 1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)	No. Trees	Method of Clearing	For the purpose of:
0.982		Mechanical Removal	Road safety

### 1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application: Final Amendment  
Decision Date: 15 March 2018

Reasons for Decision: This clearing permit amendment gives effect to the determination of the Minister for Environment (Minister) to partly allow appeal C007 of 2017 to the extent that the Minister has requested the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation to amend Clearing Permit CPS 7450/1 in respect to requiring the Permit Holder to record and report on avoid and minimise management measures.

The precise wording of the amendment was determined by the Delegated Officer.

The clearing impact assessment for this clearing permit amendment is consistent with the assessment undertaken for application CPS 7450/1.

## 2. Background

### 2.1. Existing environment and information

**Vegetation Description** The application area is mapped as Beard vegetation association 47 which is described as shrublands; tallerack mallee-heath (Shepherd et al., 2001).

**Clearing Description** The applicant proposes to clear up to 0.982 hectares of native vegetation for the purpose of improving road safety.

**Vegetation Condition** Very Good; Vegetation structure altered; obvious signs of disturbance (Keighery, 1994).

**Comment** The condition of the vegetation in the application area was determined by a former Department of Environment Regulation site inspection on 15 March 2017 (DER, 2017) and a site inspection by the Shire of Esperance (Shire of Esperance, 2017).

## 3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

The clearing permit amendment was assessed against the 10 clearing principles outlined in Schedule 6 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*. The assessment has not changed since the assessment of application CPS 7450/1, and can be found in the Decision Report for application CPS 7450/1.

### Planning instruments and other relevant matters.

The clearing permit amendment was assessed against planning instruments and other relevant matters. The assessment has not changed since the assessment of application CPS 7450/1, and can be found in the Decision Report for application CPS 7450/1.

#### 4. References

- Department of Environment Regulation (DER) (2017) Site Inspection Report for Clearing Permit Application CPS 7450/1. Site inspection undertaken 15 March 2017. Department of Environment Regulation, Western Australia (DER Ref: A1428045).
- 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 Esperance (2017) Supporting Information for clearing permit application CPS 7450/1. Shire of Esperance. DER Ref: A1364272.