



GOVERNMENT OF  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## CLEARING PERMIT

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

### PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 7667/1

File Number: 2017/001065-1

Duration of Permit: From 15 January 2018 to 15 January 2020

### PERMIT HOLDER

George Borshoff

### LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Lot 8787 on Deposited Plan 153599, Glenoran

### AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 4.5 hectares of native vegetation within the area hatched yellow on attached Plan 7667/1.

### CONDITIONS

Nil

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Adrian Wiley  
A/SENIOR MANAGER  
CLEARING REGULATION

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

14 December 2017

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## Legend

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



1:2,500

MGA 94

Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994

 Date 14/12/17

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

### 1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 7667/1  
Permit type: Area Permit

### 1.2. Applicant details

Applicant's name: Mr George Borshoff  
Application received date: 27 June 2017

### 1.3. Property details

Property: LOT 8787 ON PLAN 153599, GLENORAN  
Local Government Authority: MANJIMUP, SHIRE OF  
Localities: GLENORAN

### 1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)	No. Trees	Method of Clearing	For the purpose of:
4.5	-	Mechanical Removal	Horticulture

### 1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application: Granted  
Decision Date: 14 December 2017  
Reasons for Decision: The clearing application has been assessed against the clearing principles, planning instruments and other matters in accordance with section 51O 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.  
  
Based on its degraded nature and close proximity to extensive areas of native vegetation in better condition, the Delegated Officer considers that the proposed clearing represents a low risk and is unlikely to result in unacceptable impacts to the environment.  
  
The Delegated Officer has determined to grant the clearing permit with no conditions.

## 2. Site Information

### 2.1. Existing environment and information

#### 2.1.1. Description of the native vegetation under application

**Clearing Description** The clearing of 4.5 hectares of native vegetation within Lot 8787 on Plan 153599, Glenoran, for the purpose of agriculture.

**Vegetation Description** The vegetation under application is mapped within South West Vegetation associations (Government of Western Australia, 2017):

- Yanmah: Mixture of tall open forest of *Eucalyptus diversicolor* and tall open forest of *Corymbia calophylla*-*Eucalyptus patens*-*Eucalyptus marginata* subsp. *marginata* over *Agonis flexuosa* and *Agonis juniperina* on valleys in perhumid and humid zones.
- Bevan 1: Tall open forest of *Corymbia calophylla*-*Eucalyptus marginata* subsp. *marginata* on uplands in perhumid and humid zones.

A site inspection of the application area conducted by Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) officers, described the vegetation as parkland cleared *Eucalyptus diversicolor* with little to no native understorey (DWER, 2017).

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

The condition of the vegetation was determined through the DWER site inspection (DWER, 2017).

## 3. Assessment of application against clearing principles Planning instruments and other relevant matters

### Clearing principles

As assessed under section 2.1, the application is to clear 4.5 hectares of *Eucalyptus diversicolor* with little to no native understorey for the purpose of agriculture.

The Delegated Officer has had regard to the clearing principles in Schedule 5 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* and determined the following:

- Due to the lack of understorey species and based on the observations of the site inspection the area is unlikely to comprise a high level of biological diversity (DWER, 2017);
- Due to the lack of understorey species and suitable hollow bearing tree species, the area is unlikely to represent significant fauna habitat (DWER, 2017);
- Due to the lack of understorey species, and the vegetation and soil types present it is unlikely that the area contains suitable habitat for rare flora (Western Australian Herbarium, 1998-);
- Based on the observations of the site inspection, the vegetation is not part of a threatened ecological community (DWER, 2017);
- The application area is located close to extensively vegetated areas and is not considered to be a significant remnant in a highly cleared landscape;
- The vegetation is isolated from nearby vegetation and does not provide a linkage between areas of vegetation. The proposed clearing is therefore unlikely to have an impact on the environmental values of nearby conservation areas; and
- As no wetlands or watercourses are mapped within the application area and given the amount of vegetation within the local 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.

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

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

No Aboriginal sites of significance have been mapped within the application area.

The application area is zoned priority agriculture under the town planning scheme.

The Shire of Manjimup has advised that they have no objections to the proposed clearing and no planning matters effect this application (Shire of Manjimup, 2017).

The clearing permit application was advertised on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation website on 18 July 2017 with a 21 day submission period. No public submissions have been received in relation to this application.

### **4. References**

- Department of Water and Environment Regulation (DWER) (2017) Site inspection report for clearing permit application CPS 7667/1, undertaken 22 August 2017 (DWER ref: A1556767).
- Government of Western Australia (2017) 2016 Statewide Vegetation Statistics incorporating the CAR Reserve Analysis (Full Report). Current as of December 2017. 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.
- Shire of Manjimup (2017) Advice received in relation to clearing permit application CPS 7724/1. Received 27 September 2017 (DWER ref: A1485377).
- Western Australian Herbarium (1998-) FloraBase - The Western Australian Flora. Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions. <http://florabase.dpaw.wa.gov.au/> (Accessed December 2017).