

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: CPS 8076/1 File Number: DER2018/000848

Duration of Permit: From 22 September 2018 to 22 September 2020

PERMIT HOLDER

Shire of Boyup Brook

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Boyup Brook-Arthur Road reserve (PIN: 11594231), Boyup Brook

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than two native trees within the area cross hatched yellow on attached Plan 8076/1.

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. 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 date that the trees were cleared; and
- (b) actions taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing in accordance with condition 1 of this Permit.

3. Reporting

The Permit Holder must provide to the *CEO* the records required under condition 2 of this Permit, when requested by the *CEO*.

DEFINITIONS

CEO: means the Chief Executive Officer of the Department responsible for the administration of the clearing provisions under the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.

Abbie Crawford MANAGER

NATIVE VEGETATION REGULATION

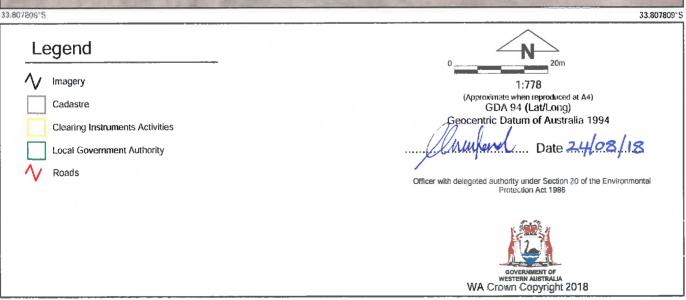
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Clearing Permit Decision Report

Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.:

Permit type:

Area Permit

1.2. Applicant details

Applicant's name:

Shire of Boyup Brook

Application received date:

16 May 2018

1.3. Property details

Property:

Boyup Brook-Arthur Road reserve (PIN: 1159431), Boyup Brook

Local Government Authority:

Shire of Boyup Brook

Localities:

Boyup Brook

1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)

No. Trees

Method of Clearing

Purpose category:

Mechanical Removal

Road construction or upgrades

1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application:

Granted **Decision Date:**

Reasons for Decision:

The clearing permit application has been assessed against the clearing principles, planning

instruments and other matters in accordance with section 510 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (EP Act). It has been concluded that the proposed clearing is not likely

to be at variance to the clearing principles.

In determining to grant a clearing permit subject to conditions, the Delegated Officer found that the proposed clearing is unlikely to lead to an unacceptable risk to the environment.

2. Site Information

Clearing Description

The application is to clear two native trees within Boyup Brook-Arthur Road reserve (PIN: 1425007), Boyup Brook for the purpose of road safety (Figure 1, 2 and 3).

Vegetation Description

The application area is mapped as 'Darling Plateau, which is described as woodland of Eucalyptus rudis, Eucalyptus patens on footslopes on valley slopes in the

subhumid zone'.

Vegetation Condition

Completely degraded; No longer intact, completely/almost completely without native species to Degraded; severely impacted by disturbance, scope for regeneration

(Keighery, 1994).

Soil Type

The application area has been mapped as Newlgalup Footslopes Phase, which is described as gentle slopes running in to the valley floor, relief 5-10 m, slopes 3-10%, soils are often poorly drained, soils are loamy gravels, sandy gravels, sands and



Figure 1: Application area hatched blue



Figure 2: Photograph of Tree 1



Figure 3: Photograph of Tree 2

3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

The application area comprises two native trees and is in a completely degraded condition (Keighery, 1994).

As the application area consists of for two native eucalypt trees it is not likely to contain high biodiversity, significant foraging habitat for fauna species, rare or priority flora, a treatened ecological community or is it likely to be considered to be a significant remnant.

A review of photos provided by the applicant (Figures 2 and 3 above) did not identify any hollows that would be suitable for conservation significant fauna.

Due to the completely degraded (Keighery, 1994) condition of the application area and its relatively small size, the proposed clearing is not likely to; cause appreciable land degradedation, impact on the quality of groundwater or impact on the environmental values of any conservation areas.

There are no wetlands or watercourses mapped within the application area and therefore surface water quality will not be imacted.

Given the above, the proposed clearing, 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 clearing permit application was advertised on the DWER website on 11 June 2018 with a 10 day submission period. No public submissions have been received in relation to this application.

4. References

Keighery, B.J. (1994) Bushland Plant Survey: A Guide to Plant Community Survey for the Community. Wildflower Society of WA (Inc). Nedlands, Western Australia.

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