



## CLEARING PERMIT

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

<b>Purpose Permit number:</b>	CPS 8339/1
<b>Permit Holder:</b>	City of Busselton
<b>Duration of Permit:</b>	29 March 2019 – 29 March 2024

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 road reconstruction.

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

Road Reserve PIN 11906235 and 11906236, West Busselton.

**3. Area of Clearing**

The Permit Holder must not clear more than 0.002 hectares of native vegetation within the area hatched yellow on attached Plan 8339/1.

**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.

### PART II – MANAGEMENT CONDITIONS

**6. Weed control**

When undertaking any clearing or other activity authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of *weeds*:

- clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
- ensure that no *weed*-affected soil, *mulch*, *fill* or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and
- restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.

## DEFINITIONS

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

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

**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 Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions species-led ecological impact and invasiveness ranking summary, regardless of ranking; or
- (c) not indigenous to the area concerned.

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6 March 2019

# Plan 8339/1

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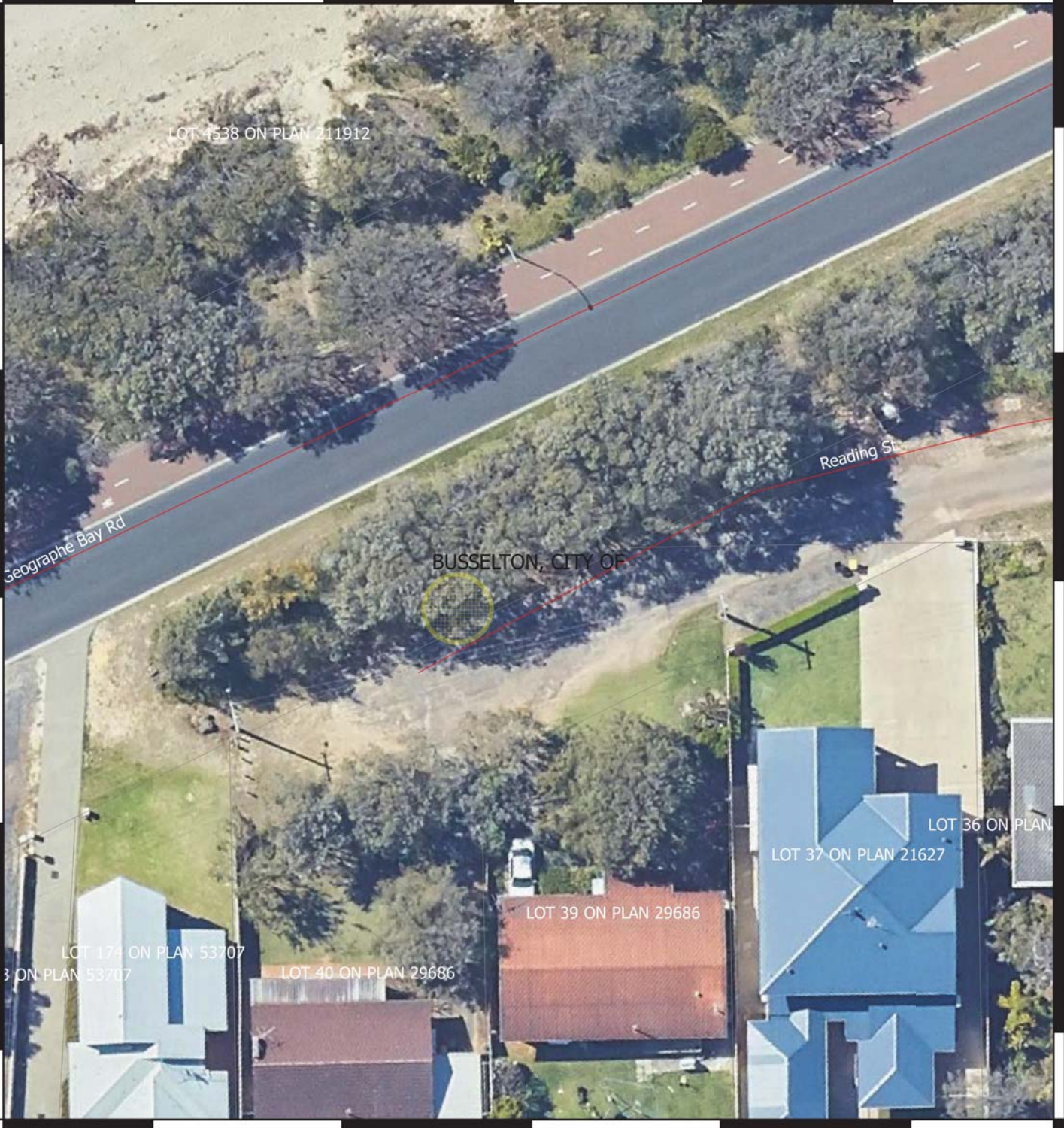
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## 1. Application details

### 1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 8339/1  
Permit type: Purpose permit

### 1.2. Applicant details

Applicant's name: City of Busselton  
Application received date: 23 January 2019

### 1.3. Property details

Property: Road Reserve PIN 11906235  
Road Reserve PIN 11906236  
Local Government Authority: City of Busselton  
Localities: West Busselton

### 1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)	No. Trees	Method of Clearing	Purpose category:
0.002		Mechanical Removal	Road reconstruction

### 1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application: Granted  
Decision Date: 6 March 2019  
Reasons for Decision:

The clearing permit application was received on 23 January 2019 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 not likely to be at variance to any of the clearing principles.

In determining to grant a clearing permit subject to conditions, the Delegated Officer considered that the proposed clearing is not likely to lead to an unacceptable risk to the environment.

## 2. Site Information

**Clearing Description** The application is for the proposed clearing of 0.002 hectares of native vegetation within Road Reserve PIN 11906235 and 11906236, West Busselton, for the purpose of road reconstruction.

**Vegetation Description** The vegetation within the application area is mapped as Quindalup Coastal Dune Complex- low closed forest and closed scrub, described as coastal dune complex consisting mainly of two alliances - the strand and fore-dune alliance and the mobile and stable dune alliance. Local variations include the low closed forest of *Melaleuca lanceolata* (Rottnest Teatree) - *Callitris preissii* (Rottnest Island Pine), the closed scrub of *Acacia rostellifera* (Summer-scented Wattle) and the low closed *Agonis flexuosa* (Peppermint) forest of Geographe Bay (Hedde et al., 1980).

**Vegetation Condition** The condition of the vegetation within the application area is considered to be Very Good: Vegetation structure altered, obvious signs of disturbance (Keighery, 1994).

**Soil Type** The soil type within the application area is mapped as Quindalup South Qf2 Phase, described as relict foredunes and gently undulation beach ridge plain with deep uniform calcareous sands.

**Comments** A review of available databases has determined that the local government area retains approximately 24 per cent of its pre-European vegetation extent (Government of Western Australia, 2018).

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

Given the small size of the application area, it is not considered to comprise a high level of biological diversity.

No threatened or priority ecological communities or conservation areas are recorded within close proximity to the application area and the proposed clearing is unlikely to impact on any such areas. On that basis, the application area is unlikely to comprise the whole or a part of, or be necessary for the maintenance of a priority ecological community or threatened ecological community.

While the local government area retains less than 30 per cent of its pre-European clearing extent, the proposed clearing is limited to seven sedges, therefore the proposed clearing is not likely to be considered a significant remnant within an extensively cleared area.

The application area does not intersect any watercourses or wetlands. Noting the extent of the proposed clearing, the proposed clearing is not likely to exacerbate or contribute to further land degradation, deteriorate the quality of ground water, or cause or exacerbate flooding to an extent greater than that currently present.

Given the above, the proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance to the clearing principles.

The clearing permit application was advertised on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's website on 14 February 2019, inviting submissions from the public within a seven day period. No submissions were received in relation to this application.

No registered Aboriginal sites of significance have been mapped within the application area, however, it intersects one lodged site. It is the applicant's responsibility to comply with the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972* and ensure that no Sites of Aboriginal Significance are damaged through the clearing process.

#### **4. References**

Government of Western Australia (2018) 2017 South West Vegetation Complex Statistics. Current as of October 2017. WA Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions, Perth.

Hedde, E. M., Loneragan, O. W., and Havel, J. J. (1980) Vegetation Complexes of the Darling System, Western Australia. In Department of Conservation and Environment, Atlas of Natural Resources, Darling System, Western Australia.

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

#### GIS Databases:

- Aboriginal Sites of Significance
- DBCA Managed Estate
- Hydrography, hierarchy
- Hydrography, linear
- SAC Bio Datasets