

# **CLEARING PERMIT**

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

### PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 8722/2

File Number: DWERVT3759

Duration of Permit: From 30 April 2020 to 30 April 2027

# PERMIT HOLDER

City of Armadale

### LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Road Reserve - 11358155, Haynes
Road Reserve - 12127256, Haynes
Road Reserve - 11857491, Armadale
Road Reserve - 12127234, Haynes
Road Reserve - 12256355, Haynes
Road Reserve - 11477678, Hilbert
Road Reserve - 12222449, Haynes
Road Reserve - 11857474, Armadale
Road Reserve - 11880603, Armadale
Road Reserve - 11880604, Brookdale
Lot 502 on Deposited Plan 416910, Hilbert

#### **AUTHORISED ACTIVITY**

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 1.08 hectares of native vegetation within the area hatched yellow on the attached Plan 8722/2a.

## **CONDITIONS**

# 1. Period during which clearing is authorised

The permit holder must not clear any native vegetation after 30 April 2022.

### 2. Avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing

- (a) 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:
  - i. avoid the clearing of native vegetation;
  - ii. minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and
  - iii. reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.
- (b) The Permit Holder must avoid and retain the sixteen habitat trees identified in the table below:

Northing	Tree #	Species
6441473	4	Eucalyptus rudis
6441450	11	Corymbia calophylla
6441476	13	Eucalyptus rudis
6441522	22	Eucalyptus rudis
6441523	27	Eucalyptus rudis
6441518	56	Eucalyptus rudis
6441447	61	Corymbia calophylla
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Easting	Northing	Tree #	Species
405185	6441447	67	Corymbia calophylla
405171	6441438	68	Corymbia calophylla
405771	6441535	69	Corymbia calophylla
405333	6441486	71	Corymbia calophylla
405361	6441494	72	Eucalyptus rudis
405324	6441485	73	Eucalyptus rudis
405310	6441540	75	Eucalyptus ?wandoo
405279	6441470	77	Eucalyptus rudis
405349	6441486	78	Eucalyptus rudis

## 3. Revegetation and rehabilitation

The Permit Holder must within 12 months of undertaking clearing authorised under this Permit:

- (a) undertake deliberate *planting* of at least twenty-seven native tree species suitable for black cockatoo roosting, breeding or feeding habitat within the area cross-hatched red on attached Plan 8722/2b;
- (b) ensure at least eight Eucalyptus rudis (Flooded Gum) are planted;
- (c) ensure only *local provenance* propagating material is used;
- (d) ensure planting is undertaken at the optimal time;
- (e) ensure plantings are of a suitable size of at least one metre in height;
- (f) undertake weed control and watering of plantings for at least three years post planting;
- (g) the Permit Holder must within 24 months of planting the twenty-seven appropriate native tree species in accordance with condition 3(a) of this Permit:
  - i. engage an *environmental specialist* to make a determination that the twenty-seven native trees will survive.
  - ii. If the determination made by the *environmental specialist* under condition 3(g)(i) that the twenty-seven native trees will not survive, the Permit Holder must plant additional native trees that will result in twenty-seven appropriate native trees persisting within the area cross hatched red on attached Plan 8722/3b.
- (h) where additional planting of native trees is undertaken in accordance with condition 3(g), the Permit Holder must repeat the activities required by conditions 3(b), 3(c), 3(d) and 3(e) of this Permit.

# 4. Dieback and 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* 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 known *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.

#### 5. Record keeping

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records 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(s) that the area was cleared;
- (c) the size of the area cleared (in hectares);
- (d) actions taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing in accordance with condition 2(a) and condition 2(b) of this Permit;
- (e) revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken in accordance with condition 3 of this Permit; and
- (f) actions taken to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of *dieback* and *weeds* in accordance with condition 4 of this Permit.

## 6. Reporting

- (a) The Permit Holder must provide to the *CEO*, on or before 31 December of each calendar year, a report containing:
  - i. The records required to be kept under condition 5; and
  - ii. Records of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 July of the preceding calendar year and 30 June of the current calendar year.
- (b) If no clearing authorised under this permit has been undertaken, a written report confirming that no clearing under this Permit has been undertaken, must be provided to the *CEO* on or before 31 December of each calendar year.
- (c) The Permit Holder must provide to the *CEO*, no later than 90 calendar days prior to expiry date of the Permit, a written report of records required under condition 5, where these records have not already been provided under condition 6(a).

#### **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* 

dieback means the effect of Phytophthora species on native vegetation;

*environmental specialist* means a person who holds a tertiary qualification in environmental science or equivalent, and has experience relevant to the type of environmental advice that an environmental specialist is required to provide under this Permit, or who is approved by the CEO as a suitable environmental specialist.

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;

*local provenance* means native vegetation seeds and propagating material from natural sources within 10 and 50 kilometres and the same Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation for Australia (IBRA) subregion of the area cleared.

optimal time means the period from May to June for undertaking planting;

*planting* means the re-establishment of vegetation by creating favourable soil conditions and planting seedlings of the desired species;

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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NATIVE VEGETATION REGULATION

Officer delegated under Section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

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