



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 8740/2
File Number: DWERVT4521
Duration of Permit: 9 August 2020 to 9 August 2022

PERMIT HOLDER

City of Albany

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Stanley Road road reserve (PIN 11157518, 11195160 and 12424908)

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

The Permit Holder shall not clear more than 0.03 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 8740/2.

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 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 *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. 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.

4. 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);
- (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 *dieback* and *weeds* in accordance with condition 2 of this Permit.

5. Reporting

The Permit Holder must provide to the *CEO* the records required under condition 4 of this Permit, when requested by the *CEO*.

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;

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 Regional Weed Rankings Summary, regardless of ranking; or
- (c) not indigenous to the area concerned.

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MANAGER
NATIVE VEGETATION REGULATION

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

29 September 2020

Plan 8740/2

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Legend


-  CPS areas approved to clear
-  Local Government Authorities
-  Localities - Landgate



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1. Application details

1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 8740/2
Permit type: Area Permit

1.2. Applicant details

Applicant's name: City of Albany
Application received date: 25 August 2020

1.3. Property details

Property: Stanley Road Reserve (PIN 11157518, 11195160 and 12424908)
Local Government Authority: City of Albany
Localities: Youngs Siding

1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)	No. Trees	Method of Clearing	Purpose category:
0.03 ha		Mechanical Removal	Road construction or upgrades

1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application: Granted
Decision Date: 29 September 2020

Reasons for Decision: The clearing permit amendment application was received on 28 August 2020 and has been assessed against the clearing principles, planning instruments and other relevant matters in accordance with section 51O of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*. It has been concluded that the proposed clearing is at variance with Principle (f), and not likely to be at variance with any of the remaining clearing principles.

The purpose of the amendment was to fix an error made in administration from Landgate, whereby, the incorrect PIN was provided for the area to be cleared. The new polygon (PIN) number is 12424908.

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 amendment is for the proposed clearing of 0.03 hectares of native vegetation within Stanley Road road reserve (PIN 11157518, 11195160 and 12424908) for the purpose of road realignment and widening.

Vegetation Description The vegetation within the application area is mapped as 'Jarrah Forest' IBRA of the Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation for Australia (IBRA), and mapped as the Southern Jarrah Forest vegetation complex (Shepherd et al., 2001), described as:

- 969 - Mosaic: Medium forest; jarrah-marri / Low forest; jarrah

Vegetation Condition As indicated by photos supplied by the applicant (City of Albany, 2019), the vegetation within the clearing area is in a degraded to good condition (Keighery, 1994), described as:

- Good: Vegetation structure significantly altered by very obvious signs of multiple disturbances. Retains basic vegetation structure or ability to regenerate it. For example, disturbance to vegetation structure caused by very frequent fires, the presence of some very aggressive weeds at high density, partial clearing, dieback and/or grazing;
To
- Degraded: Basic vegetation structure severely impacted by regeneration but not to a state approaching good condition without disturbance. Scope for regeneration but not to a state approaching good condition without intensive management. For example, disturbance of vegetation structure caused by very frequent fires, the presence of very aggressive weeds, partial clearing, dieback and/or grazing.

Soil Type The soil type within the application area is mapped as Blackwater gleyed duplex phase described as:

- 254BrBWo: Shallow gleyed duplex soils; paperbark woodland. Podzols on dunes; banksia-sheoak woodland (Schoknecht et al., 2004).

Comments

The local area is defined as 10 kilometre (km) radius from the application area. A review of available databases has determined that the local area retains approximately 24.7 per cent of its pre-European clearing extent.



Photo 1 (City of Albany 2019)

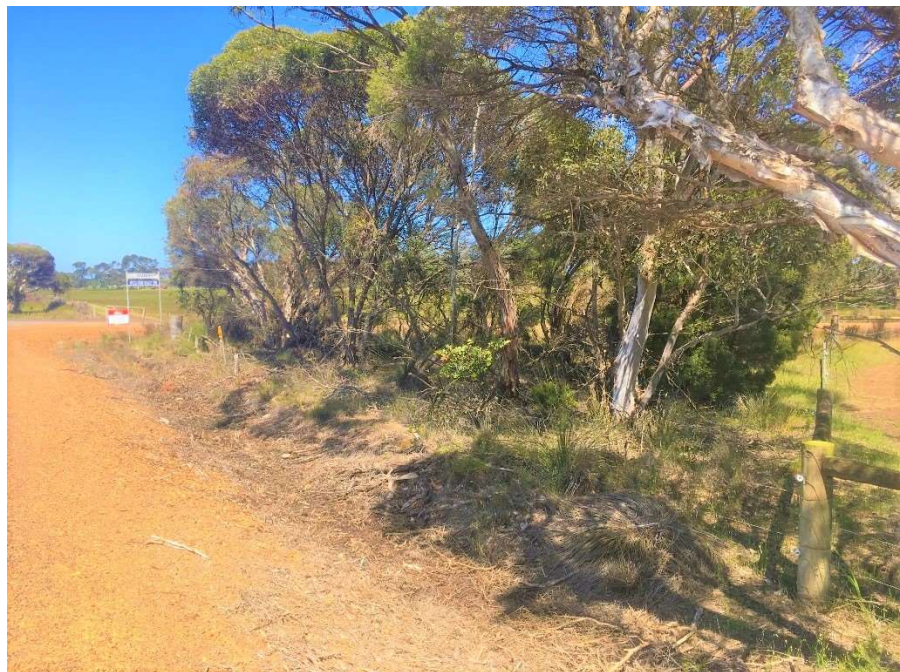


Photo 2 (City of Albany 2019)



Photo 3 (City of Albany 2019)



Photo 4 (City of Albany 2019)

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

The amendment is for the clearing of 0.03 hectares of native vegetation on the property Lot 2858 on Plan 138514, of which a small portion of has been purchased by the City of Albany to be re-zoned to road reserve (City of Albany, 2019). The application area also includes part of Stanley Road road reserves (PIN 11157518 and 11195160). The small portion within Lot 2858 on Plan 138514 was excised on 30 June 2020 and is now a part of Stanley Road road reserve (PIN 12424908).

The amendment application was made to fix an error made in administration whereby Landgate provided the City of Albany with the incorrect PIN number for the area excised from Lot 2858 on Plan 138514. This was notified to the City of Albany who informed DWER on 17 July 2020 (DWER, 2020a). No changes to the clearing area or duration have been made. The assessment of the application remains the same as that granted under CPS 8740/1.

4. References

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) (2020) Email from applicant indicating incorrect PIN number. DWER Ref: A1916156.