

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Purpose Permit number: 9095/1

Duration of Permit: From 18 March 2021 to 18 March 2022

Permit Holder: APT Parmelia Pty Ltd

ADVICE NOTE

The funds referred to in Condition 7 of this permit are intended for contributing towards the purchase of 3.91 hectares of native vegetation with similar environmental values containing habitat for Carnaby's Black cockatoo (*Calyptorhynchus latirostris*) within the Jarrah Forest Bioregion.

The Permit Holder is authorised to clear native vegetation subject to the following conditions of this Permit.

PART I - CLEARING AUTHORISED

1. Land on which clearing is to be done

PL 1

Lot 9 on Plan 16075 Volume 2042 Folio 647 (Easement A 372674)

Lot 19 on Plan 13244 Volume 2063 Folio 340 (Easement A 329551)

Lot 20 on Plan 13244 Volume 1612 Folio 196 (Easement A 329551)

Lot 30 on Plan 10295 Volume 1607 Folio 94 (Easement D 273352)

Lot 60 on Diagram 60697 Volume 1596 Folio 393 (Easement A 372674)

Lot 149 on Deposited Plan 48843 Volume LR3138 Folio 169 (Easement A 372674)

Lot 301 on Deposited Plan 30748 Volume 1521 Folio 521 (Easement A 372674)

Lot 302 on Deposited Plan 30748 Volume 1521 Folio 518 (Easement A 372674)

Lot 303 on Deposited Plan 30748 Volume 1704 Folio 235 (Easement A 372674)

Lot 369 on Deposited Plan 59341 Volume LR3151 Folio 581 (Easement E 450641)

Lot 788 on Deposited Plan 195513 Volume LR3120 Folio 621 (Easement E 450641)

2. Purpose for which clearing may be done

Clearing for the purpose of relocating a gas pipeline.

3. Area of Clearing

The Permit Holder must not clear more than 1.985 hectares of native vegetation. All clearing must be within the areas cross-hatched yellow on attached Plans 9095/1A and 9095/1B.

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.

PART II - MANAGEMENT CONDITIONS

5. 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.

6. Dieback and weed control

- (a) 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*:
 - clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared:
 - (ii) ensure that no *dieback* or *weed*-affected soil, *mulch*, *fill* or other material is brought into the area to be cleared:
 - (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared;
 - (iv) only move soils in dry conditions; and
 - (v) where *dieback* or *weed*-affected soil, *mulch*, *fill* or other material is to be removed from the area to be cleared, ensure it is transferred to areas of comparable *soil disease status*.

7. Monetary contributions to a fund maintained for the purpose of establishing or maintaining vegetation (offset)

Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder shall provide documentary evidence to the *CEO* that funding of \$95,025 has been transferred to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation for the purpose of establishing or maintaining native vegetation.

PART III - RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING

8. Records to be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit:

- (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation authorised under this Permit:
 - (i) 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;
 - (ii) the date that the area was cleared;
 - (iii) the size of the area cleared (in hectares); and
 - (iv) purpose for which clearing was undertaken.
- (b) actions taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and the extent of clearing in accordance with Condition 5 of this Permit; and
- (c) actions taken to minimise the introduction and spread of *weeds* and *dieback* in accordance with Condition 6 of this Permit.
- (d) actions taken in accordance with Condition 7 of this Permit.

9. Reporting

Prior to 18 March 2022, the Permit Holder must provide to the *CEO* a written report of records required under Condition 8 of this Permit.

DEFINITIONS

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

CEO means the Chief Executive Officer of the Department responsible for administering the clearing provisions contained within the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* or an Officer with delegated authority under Section 20 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*;

dieback means the effect of Phytophthora species on native vegetation;

dry conditions means when soils (not dust) do not freely adhere to rubber tyres, tracks, vehicle chassis or wheel arches;

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;

soil disease status means soil types either infested, not infested, uninterpretable or not interpreted with a pathogen;

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