



CLEARING REFERRAL DETERMINATION NOTICE

Referral details

Referral number:	REF 10178/1
Referral submitted by:	Gnowellen Farms Pty Ltd
Purpose of proposed clearing:	Modern farming
Location of proposed clearing:	Lot 6862 on Deposited Plan 209411
Locality:	Mettler
Clearing size:	12 hectares

Referral determination:

The Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has considered the above referral and determined under section 51DA(3) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (the EP Act) that:

- a clearing permit **is required** for the proposed clearing of the areas cross-hatched orange on the attached map detailed in Schedule.

The reason for this determination is that the proposed clearing does not satisfy all of the criteria specified in s.51DA(4) of the EP Act. Specifically:

- the referral area is not small relative to the total remaining vegetation —
 - within the region in which the area is situated; and/or
 - of the ecological community of which the vegetation proposed to be cleared forms part; and/or
- there are known or likely significant environmental values identified within the referral area; and
- there are issues that would arise as a result of the proposed clearing that are likely to require conditions to manage or mitigate effects on the environment.

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NATIVE VEGETATION REGULATION

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

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Schedule 1: Map

Figure 1: Map of the referral area within which clearing of native vegetation requires a clearing permit.

