



Application for new permit or referral to clear native vegetation

Application Details	
Application number	APP-0025513
Application type	New
Application sub-type	Clearing referral (s.51DA)
Project number	PRJ-0014696
Project name	Bell Rd Coonabidgee
Instrument number (if applicable) CPS number	
Application Status	Submitted
Applicant	SHANE RAY

Submission Details	
Created By	Shane Ray
Submitted By	
Submitted Date	14-07-2024
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Contact Details	
Applicant full name	
Applicant email	
Applicant contact number	
Applicant address	
Multiple applicants	
Third Party full name	
Third Party email	
Third Party contact number	
Third party address	
Organisation name	
Organisation email	
Organisation contact number	
Organisation address	
ABN	



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Land Details	
Property name	Verge
Land description	Verge along Bell Rd, Coonabidgee starting in front (to the South) of the Eastern part of 89 Bell Rd (Lot 17 On Diagram 67754, Volume 1699 Folio 755) and ending near the SW corner of Lot 16 Bell Rd (Lot 16 On Diagram 67754, Volume 1699 Folio 754)
Street address – Line 1	Verge in front of Lot 1 and Lot 17 Bell Rd
Street address – Line 2	
Suburb	Coonabidgee
Postcode	6503
Local government area	Shire of Gingin
State	WA
Land Zoning	Unknown but road verge inside Rural Industrial estate
Relationship to landowner	I will undertake the clearing activities with the landowner's authority and will be the permit holder

Land Details	
Property name	Lot 16 Bell Rd Coonabidgee
Land description	LOT 16 ON DIAGRAM 67754 VOLUME 1699 Applicant confirmed that the clearing FOLIO 754 will only be occurring within Bell Road Reserve (PIN: 1347436)
Street address – Line 1	Lot 16 Bell Rd
Street address – Line 2	
Suburb	Coonabidgee
Postcode	6503
Local government area	Shire of Gingin
State	WA
Land Zoning	Rural Industrial
Relationship to landowner	I am the landowner

Proposed Clearing	
Total area of clearing proposed (hectares)	0.05



Footprint of clearing (hectares)	
Number of trees to be removed	
Purpose for clearing	Water/gas/cable/pipeline/power installation
Specify other	
Final land use after clearing	This area is currently a roadside drain and I presume it will continue to be after clearing and once the electrical cables are installed underground.
Method for proposed clearing	Cutting; Mechanical clearing/bulldozing
Specify other	
Proposed start date	07-10-2024
Proposed end date	28-10-2024
Avoidance details	<p>ALL OTHER CONSTRAINTS HAVE BEEN CONSIDERED AND CLEARING WAS DEEMED THE MOST APPROPRIATE ACTION. METHODS TO AVOID AND MINIMISE CLEARING CONSIDERED DURING THE DESIGN PHASE INCLUDED:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. PLACEMENT OF LAYDOWN AREAS, TURNAROUNDS ETC. IN PREVIOUSLY CLEARED LAND 2. UTILISATION OF EXISTING ACCESS TRACKS WHERE POSSIBLE 3. RESTRICTION OF WORKS TO EXISTING MAINTENANCE ZONE WHERE POSSIBLE 4. UTILISATION OF PRUNING INSTEAD OF CLEARING WHERE POSSIBLE 5. UTILISATION OF FARMER'S PADDOCKS AND PREVIOUSLY CLEARED AREAS WHERE POSSIBLE 6. UNDERGROUNDING OF CABLES AND DRILLING INSTEAD OF TRENCHING (I asked Western Power specifically about whether we could pay more and do the installation using more drilling and without, or with less, clearing and they came back saying that the "Senior Distribution Design Engineer ... states ... that [u]nfortunately, there are no design alternatives that avoid clearing for this project, as there is vegetation on both sides of the road and at the pillar location.") 7. SELECTION OF JOINT AND ENTRY/EXIT HOLE LOCATIONS TO AVOID CLEARING OF (HIGH VALUE) VEGETATION 8. EARLY AND CONTINUAL ENGAGEMENT WITH WESTERN POWER ENVIRONMENT TEAM TO HIGHLIGHT PROPOSED RISKS AND AVOID WHERE POSSIBLE 9. USING LARGER LINE SPANS THAT CAN SPAN OVER VEGETATION 10. USING STRUCTURES WITH SMALLER FOOTPRINTS 11. IMPLEMENTING LOWER IMPACT CLEARING METHODOLOGIES, FOR EXAMPLE HAND CLEARING INSTEAD OF MECHANICAL CLEARING



Mitigation details	The area to be cleared will be cleared using local plant and equipment to avoid introduction of weeds. Given underground energy infrastructure is to be installed below the area, it seems unwise to undertake any replanting in the area as the tree roots could damage the subsurface cables and conduit.
Offset proposal submitted?	False

Pre-application scoping	
Clearing within the Swan Coastal Plain and Avon Wheatbelt bioregions?	True
Any pre-application scoping meetings with DWER?	No, DWER has informed that it is unnecessary
Details of pre-application scoping meetings	

Assessment Bilateral Agreement	
Request the proposed clearing action to be assessed in accordance with, or under, an EPBC Act Accredited Process?	False
Is the proposed clearing a controlled action?	True
EPBC number	
Details of controlled action	

Surveys for assessment (IBSA and IMSA)	
Biodiversity surveys submitted?	Not Applicable
IBSA number(s)	
IBSA submission number(s)	
Marine surveys prepared?	Not Applicable

Other approvals	
Referred to EPA?	False
EPA details	



Intention to refer to EPA?	No - not a significant proposal
Ministerial statement number (if applicable)	
Works approval licence or registration	No - not required
Details of works approval licence or registration	
Water licences and permits?	Not applicable
Details of water licences and permits	
Planning and other approvals required?	No - planning approval is not required
Details of planning and other approvals	
Details of exemption from planning and approvals	This clearing is for an electricity connection. The Shire of Gingin has given permission for us to seek the clearing permit in order to proceed with the connection (details attached) and I believe Western Power are able to install energy infrastructure on public land via their normal regulatory processes without us needing to obtain any planning approvals.

Attached Documents	
Links to the Portal SharePoint location	Links to File folder: Application Folder Link to Confidential folder: Application Confidential Folder
Links to Geospatial information	Links to Shapefiles folder: Application Shapefiles Folder