



## CLEARING PERMIT

*Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986*

<b>Purpose permit number:</b>	CPS 2710/4
<b>Permit holder:</b>	Electricity Generation and Retail Corporation T/A Synergy
<b>Duration of permit:</b>	20 December 2008 – 20 December 2023

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

### PART I – CLEARING AUTHORISED

**1. Purpose for which clearing may be done**

Clearing for the purpose of installation of a saline booster pump station.

**2. Land on which clearing is to be done**

Lot 3501 on Deposited Plan 56282, Worsley

**3. Area of Clearing**

The permit holder must not clear more than 0.23 hectares of native vegetation within the area shaded yellow on attached Plan 2710/4.

**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.

**5. Type of clearing authorised**

This Permit authorises the permit holder to clear native vegetation for activities to the extent that the permit holder has the power to clear native vegetation for those activities under the *Energy Operators (Powers) Act 1979* or any other written law.

### PART II – ASSESSMENT SEQUENCE AND MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES

**6. 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:

- avoid the clearing of native vegetation;
- minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and
- reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.

## 7. 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) shall only move soils in *dry conditions*;
- (c) ensure that no *dieback* or *weed*-affected soil, *mulch*, *fill* or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and
- (d) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.

## 8. 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); and
- (d) actions taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing in accordance with condition 6 of this Permit.
- (e) actions taken to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of *weeds* and *dieback* in accordance with condition 7 of this Permit.

## 9. Reporting

The Permit Holder must provide to the *CEO* the records required under condition 8 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 administering 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;

*weed/s* means any plant -

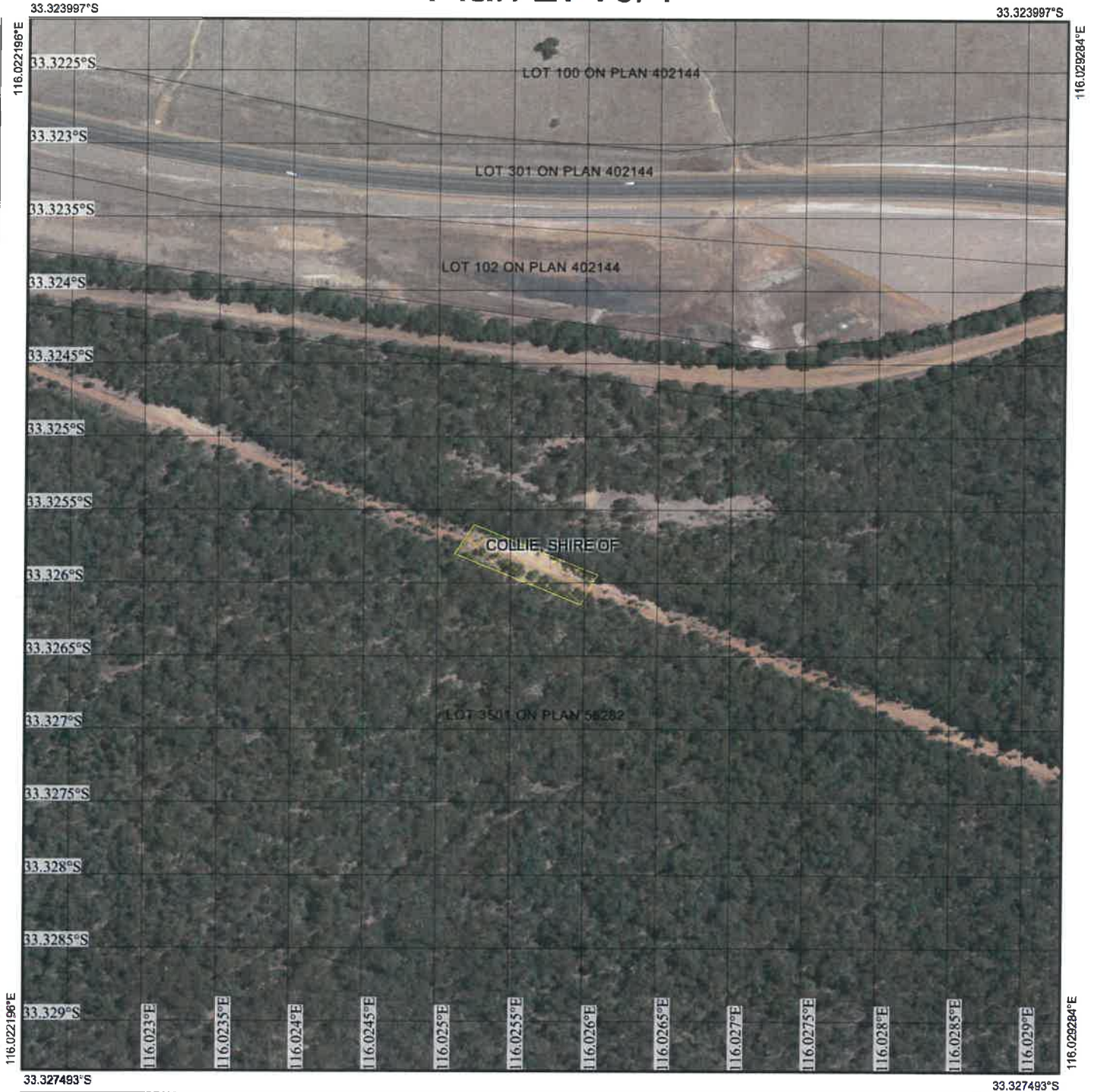
- (a) that is a declared pest under section 22 of the *Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007*; or
- (b) published in a Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions Regional Weed Rankings Summary, regardless of ranking; or
- (c) not indigenous to the area concerned.







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# Plan 2710/4



## Legend

-  Imagery
-  Cadastre
-  Clearing Instruments Activities
-  Local Government Authority
-  Roads



1:3,496

(Approximate when reproduced at A4)

GDA 94 (Lat/Long)

Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994

*Matthew Gannaway* Date 25/07/2018

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## 1. Application details

### 1.1. Permit application details

Permit application No.: 2710/4  
Permit type: Purpose Permit

### 1.2. Applicant details

Applicant's name: Electricity Generation Corporation TA Verve Energy  
Application received date: 31 May 2018

### 1.3. Property details

Property: Lot 3501 on Deposited Plan 56282, Worsley  
Local Government Authority: Shire of Collie  
Localities: Worsley

### 1.4. Application

Clearing Area (ha)	No. Trees	Method of Clearing	Purpose category:
0.23		Mechanical Removal	Building or structure

### 1.5. Decision on application

Decision on Permit Application: Grant  
Decision Date: 25 July 2018  
Reasons for Decision: The clearing permit application has been assessed against the clearing principles, planning instruments and other matters in accordance with section 51O of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*, and has concluded that the findings from the previous assessment for CPS 2710/3 are still relevant.

The Delegated Officer decided to grant clearing permit CPS 2710/4 subject to avoid and minimise, record keeping and reporting conditions, in line with current permitting practices.

## 2. Site Information

**Clearing Description** The amended application is for the clearing of 0.23ha of native vegetation for the construction of a saline booster pump within Lot 3501 on Deposited Plan 56282, Worsley.

**Vegetation Description** The vegetation within the application area is mapped as Matiske South West Forest vegetation complex Dwellingup: Open forest of *Eucalyptus marginata* subsp. *marginata*-*Corymbia calophylla* on lateritic uplands in mainly humid and subhumid zones. (Matiske and Havel, 1998).

**Vegetation Condition** Completely Degraded: No longer intact; completely/almost completely without native species (Keighery, 1994).

## 3. Assessment of application against clearing principles

The applicant applied to extend the permit duration until 20 December 2023.

An avoid and minimise condition (condition 6), record keeping (condition 8) and reporting condition (condition 9) have been placed on the permit to bring it in line with current vegetation clearing permitting practices.

The assessment against the clearing principles has not changed and can be found in Decision Report CPS 2710/1, CPS 2710/2 and CPS 2710/3.

### Planning instruments and other relevant matters.

The assessment against Planning and Other Matters has not changed and can be found in Decision Report CPS 2710/1, CPS 2710/2 and CPS 2710/3.

No Aboriginal sites of significance have been mapped within the application area.

The clearing permit request to amend application was advertised on the DWER website on 28 June 2018 with a 14 day submission period. No public submissions have been received in relation to this application.

#### 4. References

- Keighery, B.J. (1994) Bushland Plant Survey: A Guide to Plant Community Survey for the Community. Wildflower Society of WA (Inc). Nedlands, Western Australia.
- Mattiske, E.M. and Havel, J.J. (1998) Vegetation Complexes of the South-west Forest Region of Western Australia. Maps and report prepared as part of the Regional Forest Agreement, Western Australia for the Department of Conservation and Land Management and Environment Australia.