ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN

BOYANUP PICTON ROAD
IMPROVE AND WIDEN
10.03 – 13.38 SLK

SHIRE OF DARDANUP

SOUTH WEST REGION

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1. PROJECT SUMMARY

The proposal consists of 2 distinct projects along the Boyanup Picton Road: Section 1 (12.32 – 13.38 SLK) which is the realignment of the existing drain to the east (away from the road) in order for it to realign with the rest of the drain and improving the curve. Section 2 (10.03 – 11.45 SLK) consists of widening of the seal only. This (Section 2) proposal is currently at the project development phase and could be subject to change depending on the final design.

These proposed works occur within the Shire of Dardanup.

2. BACKGROUND

These works are necessary to continue to improve the safety and standard of the Boyanup – Picton Road. There are also some planned improvements at the intersection of Ferguson Road. These improvements to the road will tie in to the improvements to the Boyanup-Picton Road as part of the Bunbury Port Access Stage 2.

As per Main Roads’ Environmental Assessment and Approval process, the Low Impact Environmental Screening Checklist has been completed for the proposal, refer to Appendix A. As the project involves works that are not considered to be of low impact, the preparation of a project specific Preliminary Environmental Impact Assessment (PEIA) and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) are required. This report fulfils this requirement.

3. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

As mentioned above; the project involves the upgrading of two sections on the Boyanup-Picton Road:
Section 1 (12.32 – 13.38 SLK) and
Section 2 (10.03 – 11.45 SLK) – currently proposed to be widening on the east side, however subject to change depending on the final design.

A lateral clearance of 9m is planned to be achieved for these works. The total road formation will be the same for both sections; i.e. 12m = (3.5m seal lane x 2) + (1.5m sealed shoulder) x 2 + (1m unsealed shoulder) x 2.

Regarding horizontal alignments:
Section 1: will be improved from 430m radius near Carinya Road to a 1500m radius; and
Section 2: will be improved near Quadrio Road.

The existing irrigation drain at Section 1 will be moved approximately 10m towards north east (parallel to the road).

The works will also involve upgrading the Taunton Vale intersection (i.e. Section 1)
3.1 Project Location

The location and boundaries of the study area for the project are shown in Figure 1 and include the following features:
Figure 1 – Project Location and Study Area
4. METHODOLOGY

4.1 Preliminary Desktop Study

A preliminary assessment of the project area and review of the potential constraints of the proposal was undertaken by reviewing a number of government agency managed databases and consulting where necessary.

4.1.2 Threatened Flora, Fauna & Communities, Conservation Reserves and ESAs

The Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC) was contacted and their database was searched for known populations of threatened flora, fauna, Threatened Ecological Communities (TECs) and conservation reserves, refer to Appendix B.

4.1.3 Air Quality

The impact to air quality is negligible as the proposal only involves an upgrade of the existing road and realignment of the drain.

4.1.4 Heritage

Non-indigenous heritage was examined utilising the Australian Heritage Places Inventory (http://www.environment.gov.au/heritage/places/wa/index.html) and the Heritage Council of Western Australia Places Database (http://register.heritage.wa.gov.au/), refer to Appendix C.

4.1.5 Aboriginal Heritage

A search of the Department of Indigenous Affairs’ (DIA’s) (http://dia.wa.gov.au/AHIS/) database was undertaken to determine whether the project area contains any sites of Aboriginal Heritage, refer to Appendix D.

4.1.6 Sensitive Water Resources

Department of Water was contacted and a search of the Department of Water’s (DoW’s) database was undertaken (http://www.water.wa.gov.au/idelve/dowdataext/index.jsp) to determine whether the project area contains any sensitive water resources (including Public Drinking Water Source Areas or Water Pollution Control Areas) or was adjacent to any significant lakes, rivers, wetlands or proclaimed areas, refer to Appendix E and Appendix G.

4.1.7 Contaminated Sites

A search of the DEC’s contaminated sites database was undertaken (https://secure.dec.wa.gov.au/idelve/css/) to determine whether the project area contains or is adjacent to any contaminated sites, refer Appendix F.

4.1.8 Wetlands

The location of any wetlands within the project area was determined using the DEC’s web based Geographic Data Atlas mapping tool on http://maps.dec.wa.gov.au/idelve/nv/index.jsp. This site can be used to identify the presence of significant wetlands on the Swan Coastal Plain and ESAs generally, which include a range of significant environmentally valuable wetlands across the State.

As there are no ESA shapes within the project area, this means that there are no significant wetlands present. Refer Appendix G.

4.1.9 Weeds

The DEC’s acid sulphate soils maps were reviewed (https://uat2.landgate.wa.gov.au/bmvf/app/waatlas/) to determine the level of risk the project is exposed to, refer to Appendix K.
Consultation was undertaken with the Department of Agriculture and Food to determine whether there are any known populations of declared plants or significant weeds in or adjacent to the project area, refer to Appendix I.

4.1.10 Dieback

As the project site receives >400 mm of annual rainfall and is located within the vulnerable areas of the south western parts of Western Australia, advice regarding the dieback status and management of the project area was sought from the DEC Phytophthora Coordinator, refer to Appendix L.

4.2 Commonwealth Referral

The decision whether to refer the project to the Commonwealth’s department of SEWPC was based upon whether the project would impact Commonwealth land, or may have a significant impact upon matters of national significance, which are protected under the *EPBC Act (1999)*. These include; World Heritage properties, National Heritage places, wetlands of international importance (listed under the Ramsar convention), Commonwealth Marine Areas, migratory species protected under international agreements, nuclear actions, nationally threatened species and ecological communities. Refer to the Commonwealth webpage: (http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/protect/index.html) for further information.

The DSEWPC protected matters search tool was used to determine if the project will impact upon any matters of national significance: (http://www.environment.gov.au/erin/ert/epbc/index.html) refer to Appendix H for the results of this search and Section 7 for a discussion on the findings.

4.3 State Referral

The decision whether to refer the project to the State’s EPA was based on whether the project would impact on environmental factors significantly enough to require referral under section 38 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (refer to Appendix E of Main Roads’ Environmental Assessment and Approval Guideline).

4.4 Site Investigation

A site visit was carried out by GHD’s Senior Environmental Scientist June 2010 (refer Appendix N) to examine the general features of the area. Also a site visit was undertaken by Main Roads Project Manager Bahaa Kanbour and Environment Officer Jeanette Della-Bona 20th August 2010. The broad vegetation types in the vicinity of the project area were identified as degraded Medium woodland; jarrah, marri & wandoo.

The total area of native vegetation proposed to be cleared is approximately 1.7 ha Site photos were taken and are included in Appendix O.

The vegetation to be cleared in Section 1 is in a degraded condition with minimal understorey, mostly weeds eg Kikuyu, Watsonia, Couch, and Blackberry (for complete list refer to Appendix N). This section will result in approximately 1 ha of native vegetation to be cleared, generally *E. calophylla*, Melaleucas, *E. rudis*. Section 2 is in a Completely Degraded condition with vegetation consisting mainly of planted non-local eucalypts (with an understory of grasses and Watsonia). The clearing along the east side of the road for the proposed Section 2 widening of the seal totals approximately 0.76 Ha, almost all of this vegetation being non-local.

Adjacent land use for Section 1 is farming/ agricultural and for Section 2, railway reserve.
5. EXISTING ENVIRONMENT

5.1 Description

According to the botanical survey by GHD, the vegetation in Section 1 (12.32 – 13.38 SLK) (i.e. adjacent Carinya Road) was considered to have the understorey largely dominated by weeds and no conservation significant species were found to be present (Refer Appendix N).

A detailed vegetation assessment of the area was also undertaken by DEC dieback staff when undertaking the dieback survey and is provided below. (refer Appendix L):

Section 1 is approximately 1km in length. The small pocket of remnant vegetation in the northern part of this section reveals a vegetation structure that has been severely impacted by clearing and grazing. At present the area is grazed by horses. A healthy overstorey of Peppermint (Agonis flexuosa), Flooded Gum (Eucalyptus rudis), Paperbark (Melaleuca raphiophylla) and scattered Marri (Corymbia calophylla) trees are present with an understorey devoid of native species and dominated by Watsonia sp. The remainder of section one is represented by a narrow band of scattered Flooded Gum and Paperbark trees with an understorey of grasses and Watsonia sp. This section has been rated as Degraded (5) as the native overstorey species remains reasonably intact.

Section 2 (site of road widening) starts at the Dardanup town site and heads north towards Picton for 1.3 km. This section has very little native vegetation remaining. On the east side of this section, situated between the old railway and Boyanup Picton Road, are rows of planted trees. This site has previously been cleared and rehabilitated with exotic tree species. Section two has been rated as Completely Degraded (6) as a result of the area being largely without native species and rehabilitation with non native tree species.

The broad vegetation types in the vicinity of the project area were identified as according to the SLIP database (Shared Land Information Platform) as Medium woodland; jarrah, marri and wandoo.

The current extent for this vegetation type, compared with pre-European extent is 33.57%

DEC have concluded that the area, due to its greatly degraded state and the general lack of native vegetation, is “excluded” from P.c mapping i.e. no hygiene management is required for work activities in the study area.

5.2 Site Investigation

Site identification details are summarised in the table below:

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<td>Total area (ha) of native vegetation to be cleared</td>
<td>1.7 ha</td>
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<td>Total area (ha) of other vegetation, including regrowth, landscape areas, to be cleared</td>
<td>1.76 ha</td>
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<td>Condition of vegetation</td>
<td>Section 1 (12.32 – 13.38 SLK) – Degraded (5); Section 2 (10.03 – 11.45 SLK) – Degraded to Completely Degraded</td>
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<td>Weeds present</td>
<td>Understorey is almost entirely dominated by weeds: grasses, couch, Watsonia, blackberry</td>
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<td><strong>Drainage areas or wetlands present</strong></td>
<td>The project area is encompassed by a palusplain wetland (Refer Appendix G); however it is completely degraded as most of the area is cleared for farming/grazing. The Ferguson River crosses into Section 1 i.e. the existing drain flows into the River. The drainage will not be altered as a result of the works.</td>
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<td><strong>Adjacent/sensitive land uses</strong></td>
<td>Section 1 – farming; Section 2 – Railway reserve</td>
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Vegetation Association

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<td>296,877.84</td>
<td>99,673.45</td>
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Figure 2 SLIP NRM database & Main Roads file “Native Vegetation in Western Australia - Extent, Type and Status” (car_reserve_analysis_2007.xls) extracts.
6. CLEARING OF NATIVE VEGETATION

Native vegetation describes all indigenous aquatic and terrestrial vegetation (living or dead). The term does not include vegetation that was intentionally sown, planted or propagated unless it was required under a statutory condition.

Apart from activities that are exempt under the clearing regulations, such as clearing vegetation that is less than 10 years old for maintenance, typically all Main Roads clearing will be undertaken using a permit.

Therefore clearing of native vegetation for this project will be undertaken using the CPS818/5.

6.1 Assessment against Clearing Principles

In assessing whether the project is likely to have a significant impact on the environment, the project has been assessed against the ten clearing principles, refer to Appendix M.

The project is not likely to be at variance with the 10 clearing principles.

The following table summarizes what further assessment and management is required in accordance with Main Roads State-wide vegetation Clearing Permit (CPS 818/5).

Table 2: Summary of Additional Management Actions

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<td>Does the assessment indicate that the clearing may be at variance with one or more of the 10 clearing principles?</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No further action required</td>
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<td>Will the project involve clearing a temporary area?</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No further action required.</td>
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7. ASSESSMENT OF ASPECTS AND IMPACTS

Table 3: Aspects and Impacts – BOYANUP PICTON ROAD 10.03 – 13.38 SLK IMPROVE AND WIDEN

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<td>Fauna</td>
<td>With the very degraded and exposed nature of the works areas (refer Vegetation – clearing section), no significant impacts would be expected on native fauna as a result of the proposed works. No Matters of National Environmental Significance as protected under the EPBC Act (1999) will be significantly impacted. There are a number of fauna species listed on the department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities (SEWPAC) website (refer Appendix H) that are threatened species; however given the degraded and minor nature of the clearing involved, and the location of the project area – along the Boyanup Picton Road in a mostly cleared agricultural area, the area is considered to be unsuitable habitat for these species, and therefore the proposal not considered to be at variance to this principle. As the vegetation is mainly regrowth, and not part of a woodland stand, this clearing is not considered to significantly impact black cockatoos.</td>
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<td>Vegetation – clearing</td>
<td>1.7 Ha of native vegetation is proposed to be cleared. The Vegetation Association within the project area is Medium woodland: jarrah, marri and wandoo of which 33 % of the pre-cleared extent of the vegetation is remaining. Section 1 of the project area has a vegetation condition rating scale of Degraded (5) (Keighery, 1994.) Section 2 of the project area has a vegetation condition rating scale of Degraded (6) (Keighery, 1994.) The native vegetation proposed to be cleared is represented regionally as it possesses more than 30% of its pre-European extent. The vegetation clearing will assist to improve the clear zone.</td>
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<td>Vegetation – TECs/DRF</td>
<td>There are no TEC’s, DRF species present within the project area. As no significant vegetation types or threatened flora have been recorded within in road reserve (GHD’s Senior Environmental Scientist checked Section 1, June 2010, Appendix N) and Section 2 does not have any understorey, just non-local eucalypts planted on the east side of the road, no Carex fasicularis (P1 flora) will be impacted by the proposed works. (Appendix B). No Matters of National Environmental Significance as protected under EPBC Act (1999) will be impacted (see Appendix H).</td>
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<td>Vegetation – weeds</td>
<td>Consultation with the Department of Agriculture and Food confirms that there is no significant declared weed infestation in the area, apart from some minor Patterson’s Curse plants detected on the road verge occasionally, but no specific precaution required. (Refer Appendix I) There are numerous common weed species occur throughout the proposed works areas. These species are likely to be widespread within the reserve and general area. The risk of spreading these weeds species as part of the proposed work should be minimised. (Refer Appendix N).</td>
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<tr>
<td>Vegetation – dieback</td>
<td>Advice from DEC/Dieback survey indicates that the area should be treated as dieback “excluded” (Refer Appendix L). DEC recommend that no hygiene management is required for work activities in the project area.</td>
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<td>Reserves / Conservation areas</td>
<td>There are no conservation areas or reserves adjacent to the project area (include Bush Forever sites if the project is within the Metropolitan Regional Scheme).</td>
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| Heritage (non-indigenous) | A search of the Australian Heritage Places Inventory and Heritage Council of Western Australia indicated that there are no known sites of heritage significance within the vicinity of the project area. (refer Appendix C). No Matters of National Environmental Significance as protected under EPBC Act (1999) will be impacted (see Appendix H).  
Main Roads South West Region has completed Aboriginal Heritage Surveys for the Boyanup – Picton Road, "Ethnographic Survey of the Boyanup – Picton Road (M52) and the Boyanup – Capel Road (M61), South West Western Australia", November 2002, Brad Goode Consulting Anthropologist and "Report of the Archaeological Survey of the Boyanup-Picton Road (M52) and Boyanup – Capel Road (M61), South West Australia," September 2002, prepared by Paul Greenfields and Wayne Webb. The ethnographic survey noted the registered Aboriginal Heritage site, the Ferguson River (Site ID 16713) which occurs adjacent to the project area, and recommended that a Section 18 under the Aboriginal Heritage Act (1972) be required should Main Roads disrupt the river, particularly the flow of water. As the project area does not impact this site, (although adjacent to) and there will be no direct impact to the Ferguson river, this will not be necessary. No archaeological material was found in the project area.  
There has been no further response from the Department of Water. |
| Groundwater             | No dewatering for this project is required. The existing drainage will be moved by approximately 15m to be realigned with the rest of the drain, this will not change groundwater level or quality.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Surface water/drainage  | The project area does not occur within a Public Drinking Water Supply Area (refer Appendix G). The local Department of Water office has been consulted and supplied with detailed information regarding the proposal from Main Roads SW Region 11/02/11 (from their original request – Refer Appendix E) that:  
"The drain will be realigned parallel to the road, east by 15 m (in line with the rest of the drain) and then be going back to the original alignment as it connects to the Ferguson River. So there will essentially be no change to the function and operation of the drain. Water Corporation has been contacted and they have no issues with the realignment - as it ties in with the previous realignment of the drain that was done, which this ties in to."  
There has been no further response from the Department of Water.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Wetlands                | The project area occurs within a palusplain wetland, however it is essentially degraded (ie cleared and used as farm land) Refer Appendix G. No Matters of National Environmental Significance as protected under EPBC Act (1999) will be impacted (see Appendix H).                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Air quality             | Not relevant to the proposed works, i.e. as the proposal is for the widening of the existing road and realignment of the drain.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Dust                    | Likely to be a minor issue during earthworks. No major sensitive receivers adjacent to the proposed works, but excessive dust could impact vegetation. This is likely to be easily managed by standard construction dust management techniques.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Noise and vibration     | No major sensitive local receivers. Construction works is not expected to significantly contribute to noise levels at the nearest sensitive receivers, provided works are limited to normal working hours. The requirements of Shire of Dardanup must be met in respect of noise management and construction working hours.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
Shire of Dardanup suggest consulting with the Dardanup Community with respect to the removal of the non-local eucalypts (planted by the Lions club) at Section 2 with a view to undertaking some off-set planting/landscaping in place of the removal of this line of trees. (Refer Appendix J)

The proposed works will result in minor visual impact during and after construction.

Provided traffic management and signage to Main Roads standards is employed, none of the proposed works present any significant hazards to public safety. The proposed works will serve to enhance public safety by improving local road and pedestrian conditions.

Not relevant to the proposed works, the project requires no hazardous substances to be used.

There is no known previous land use activity on or adjacent the project area that has had the potential to create contamination, e.g. petrol station (refer Appendix F).

Given the nature and scale of salinity observed in the project area.

No further investigations are necessary as there is no dewatering (Dr Steve Appleyard, DEC, 24/03/2011 – refer Section 9).

Also the project area is within a Class 2 - low to moderate risk area, and excavation (approximately 874m³) will be less than 3 m below the surface.

As the proposed works require some land excision (Lot 186) and the area is subject to the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme, an amendment to the Scheme is required.

The proposed works will result in minor visual impact during and after construction.

The project will not impact any Commonwealth marine area or marine protected area i.e. Ningaloo Marine Park

Not relevant to the proposed works.
8. DECISION TO REFER

8.1 Referral to the Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities

As the project will not impact on matters of National Environmental Significance or impact Commonwealth land, the project does not require referral to the Commonwealth Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities.

8.2 Referral to the Environmental Protection Authority

Due to the scale of the project, the low significance of its impacts to the surrounding environment and the environmental management measures proposed, the project does not require referral to the WA Environmental Protection Authority.

9. STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

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<td>Andrew Webb</td>
<td>Dept of Environment &amp; Conservation</td>
<td>14/12/2010</td>
<td>Carex tereticaulis (P1) occurs in close vicinity to the project area.</td>
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<td>Carol Anderson</td>
<td>Dept of Water</td>
<td>11/01/2011</td>
<td>Refer Appendix E</td>
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<td>Brett Vukelic</td>
<td>Dept of Agriculture &amp; Food</td>
<td>25/01/2011</td>
<td>No significant declared weed infestations to address.</td>
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<td>Luke Botica</td>
<td>Shire of Dardanup</td>
<td>28/01/2011</td>
<td>Refer Appendix J</td>
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<td>Julie Cox</td>
<td>Dept of Environment &amp; Conservation – dieback</td>
<td>18/01/2011</td>
<td>Refer Appendix L</td>
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<td>Dr Steve Appleyard</td>
<td>Dept of Environment &amp; Conservation – Contaminated sites branch</td>
<td>24/03/2011</td>
<td>“As long as you are not dewatering, and all the material you are digging is above the permanent water table, there should be no issue.”</td>
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10. REFERENCES


Keighery Vegetation Condition Scale - Bush Forever, Volume 2, Keighery (1994)

Ethnographic Survey of the Boyanup – Picton Road (M52) and the Boyanup – Capel Road (M61), South West Western Australia, November 2002, Brad Goode Consulting Anthropologist

Report of the Archaeological Survey of the Boyanup-Picton Road (M52) and Boyanup – Capel Road (M61), South West Australia,” September 2002, prepared by Paul Greenfields and Wayne Webb
Appendix A

Low Impact Environmental Screening Checklist
Checklist - Low Impact Screening Checklist

The Low Impact Screening Checklist is part of the environmental assessment and approval process. All projects are to be screened to identify those that are Low Impact.

It should be noted that the checklist does not address Aboriginal heritage issues. Please refer to Main Roads guideline Aboriginal Heritage for the heritage assessment process.

Projects that have “No” to all items are classified as Low Impact and should be implemented using standard contract clauses in the Tender Document Process.

Projects that have “Yes” to any item will require further environmental assessment and will be implemented using an Environmental Management Plan.

Tick “Yes” or “No” for every item.

**Project Name:** Upgrade of Boyanup – Picton Road, shire of Dardanup

**Project Description:**

*Section 1: Widening seal: 10.03 – 11.45 SLK &

Section 2: Widening seal, improving curve & drain relocating 12.32 – 13.38 SLK

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<td>New road or road reserve to be created or expansion of existing road reserve.</td>
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<td>Works require clearing of native vegetation outside the maintenance zone.</td>
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<td>Passes over, adjoins or drains directly into a wetland or sensitive watercourse.</td>
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<td>Local natural drainage regime / hydrology will be changed.</td>
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<td>Dewatering, or a new water bore required.</td>
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<td>Known potential source of hazardous materials within or adjoining project area, e.g. Add Sulphate Soils, existing petrol station, industrial site or waste disposal site (landfill)</td>
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<td>Buildings will require demolition.</td>
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Completed By: Signature [Signature] Date 20/08/2010 Name Bahau Kambour Title Project/Contract Manager

To be reviewed by Signature [Signature] Date 13/12/2010 Name Jeanette Della-Bona Title Environment Officer

Comments: As this proposal involves clearing, a PEIA will need to be prepared.
Appendix B

DEC’s Threatened Flora and Fauna Database Searches
Hi Andrew,

All I was asking to confirm is that there is nothing in your database that will be of concern to us (ie rare flora and fauna). We always use our Clearing Permit on all projects we have that involve the clearing of native vegetation. As a step in our clearing permit process we need to consult with you guys concerning flora and fauna issues. It does not mean you need to do a survey as such, but just check your exiting databases (and if possible, recommend to us if there is a need to undertake a flora/fauna survey).

Thanks again,
Kind regards
Jeanette

From: Webb, Andrew [mailto:Andrew.Webb@dec.wa.gov.au]
Sent: Tuesday, 14 December 2010 10:15 AM
To: Webb, Andrew
Subject: RE: Boyanup - Picton Road upgrade

Hi Jeanette,

Unfortunately I cannot answer this. I imagine this is something that MRD will have to assess themselves under whatever clearing permits/exceptions they have or may need to apply for. I don't know the particular area you are looking at that well.

Thank you,
Andrew Webb

From: Della Bona, Jeanette [mailto:jeanette.delabona@maristoads.wa.gov.au]
Sent: Monday, 13 December 2010 4:51 PM
To: Webb, Andrew
Subject: Boyanup - Picton Road upgrade

Hi Andrew,

How are you? Will there be any flora/fauna issues with this one? We are planning to upgrade the Boyanup Picton Road at 2 sections:

1. Section 1: Relocating the drain (on the east side of the Boyanup Picton Road) so it lines up with the rest of the drain. It will move eastwards.
2. Section 2: The Boyanup Picton Road will be widened – have not decided conclusively which side of the road to do this as yet (the west side contains a thin row of native vegetation, the east side where the railway is contains a row of plantings, not native, but I think act as some kind of entry statement into Cardanup, probably planted by the rotary club...)

Your comments are much appreciated,
Kind regards.
Carex tereticaulis (Carex fascicularis on the right)
Planted at Capel Wetlands Centre
Photo: Richard Clark, 3rd October 2007
Appendix C

Australian Heritage Places Inventory, Heritage Council of Western Australia Database Searches
Appendix D
Department of Indigenous Affairs Database Search
### Registry of Aboriginal Heritage Sites

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Appendix E

Department of Water’s Geographic Data Atlas
Database Search
Hi Jeanette

The Department requires details on the proposed drain realignment. Such as, location, interface with the waterway, drainage infrastructure and water sensitive features proposed outside of, or within the foreshore protection area (30m).

Will the catchment of the drain be increased which will in turn increase the volume and/or velocity to the River.

What water quality treatment features are proposed.

It is a Water Corp drain that enters the Ferguson River. It is the DoW's role and responsibility to protect the State's water resources plus this River is also a proclaimed waterway under the Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1925, supporting licensed users. Surrounding rural land uses produce high levels of nutrients which requires treatment prior to entering the River. The Ferguson River is also an Aboriginal Site of Significance.

The design should include controlled release and disbursement of stormwater into the vegetated foreshore protection area to enable treatment prior to entering the River.

Has WC approved the realignment?

Thank you.

Regards

Carol Anderson
S W Region
Dept of Water
Appendix F

DEC’s Contaminated Sites Database Search
Appendix G

DEC & Main Roads ArcGIS Wetland & ESA Search
Appendix H

Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities Database Search
EPBC Act Protected Matters Report: Coordinates

This report provides general guidance on matters of national environmental significance and other matters protected by the EPBC Act in the area you have selected.

Information on the coverage of this report and qualifications on data supporting this report are contained in the caveat at the end of the report.

You may wish to print this report for reference before moving to other pages or websites. Information about the EPBC Act including significance guidelines, forms and application process details can be found at


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Coordinates
Buffer: 5Km

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Summary

Details
Matters of NES
Other matters protected by the EPBC Act
Extra Information

Caveat

Acknowledgements
Protected Matters Search Tool

Summary

Matters of National Environmental Significance
This part of the report summarises the matters of national environmental significance that may occur in, or may relate to, the area you nominated. Further information is available in the detail part of the report, which can be accessed by scrolling or following the links below. If you are proposing to undertake an activity that may have a significant impact on one or more matters of national environmental significance then you should consider the Administrative Guidelines on Significance - see http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/assessmentsapprovals/guidelines/index.html.

- World Heritage Properties: None
- National Heritage Places: None
- Wetlands of International Significance (Ramsar Wetlands): None
- Great Barrier Reef Marine Park: None
- Commonwealth Marine Areas: None
- Threatened Ecological Communities: None
- Threatened Species: 13
- Migratory Species: 7

Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act
This part of the report summarises other matters protected under the Act that may relate to the area you nominated. Approval may be required for a proposed activity that significantly affects the environment on Commonwealth land, when the action is outside the Commonwealth land, or the environment anywhere when the action is taken on Commonwealth land. Approval may also be required for the Commonwealth or Commonwealth agencies proposing to take an action that is likely to have a significant impact on the environment anywhere.

The EPBC Act protects the environment on Commonwealth land, the environment from the actions taken on Commonwealth land, and the environment from actions taken by Commonwealth agencies. As heritage values of a place are part of the 'environment', these aspects of the EPBC Act protect the Commonwealth Heritage values of a Commonwealth Heritage place and the heritage values of a place on the Register of the National Estate. Information on the new heritage laws can be found at http://www.environment.gov.au/heritage/index.html.
Please note that the current dataset on Commonwealth land is not complete. Further information on Commonwealth land would need to be obtained from relevant sources including Commonwealth agencies, local agencies, and land tenure maps.

A permit may be required for activities in or on a Commonwealth area that may affect a member of a listed threatened species or ecological community, a member of a listed migratory species, whales and other cetaceans, or a member of a listed marine species. Information on EPBC Act permit requirements and application forms can be found at [http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/permits/index.html](http://www.environment.gov.au/epbc/permits/index.html).

Commonwealth Lands: 1
Commonwealth Heritage
Places:
None
Listed Marine Species: 5
Whales and Other Cetaceans: None
Critical Habitats: None
Commonwealth Reserves: None

**Report Summary for Extra Information**

This part of the report provides information that may also be relevant to the area you have nominated.

- **Place on the RNE:** 2
- **State and Territory Reserves:** 1
- **Regional Forest Agreements:** 1
- **Invasive Species:** 16
- **Nationally Important Wetlands:** None

**Details**

**Matters of National Environmental Significance**

**Threatened Species [Resource Information]**

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Chuditch, Western Quoll [330] Vulnerable Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
*Pseudocheirus occidentalis*
Western Ringtail Possum
[25911]
Vulnerable Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
*Setonix brachyurus*
Quokka [229] Vulnerable Species or species habitat may occur within area

**PLANTS**
*Andersonia gracilis*
Slender Andersonia [14470] Endangered Species or species habitat may occur within area
*Brachyscias verecundus*
Ironstone Brachyscias [81321] Critically Endangered
Species or species habitat may occur within area
*Centrolepis caespitosa*
[6393] Endangered Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
*Darwinia foetida*
Murchea Bell [83190] Critically Endangered
Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
*Drakaea micrantha*
Dwarf Hammer-orchid [56755] Vulnerable Species or species habitat likely to occur within area
*Synaphea stenoloba*
Dwellingup Synaphea [66311] Endangered Species or species habitat may occur within area
*Verticordia fimbrilepis subsp. fimbrilepis*
Shy Featherflower [24631] Endangered Species or species habitat may occur within area

**Migratory Species [Resource Information]**

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**Migratory Terrestrial Species**

**Migratory Wetlands Species**
*Ardea alba* | | Great Egret, White Egret [59541] |
| Species or species habitat likely to occur within area |
| Cattle Egret [59542] Species or species habitat may occur within area |
Other Matters Protected by the EPBC Act
Commonwealth Lands [Resource Information]
The Commonwealth area listed below may indicate the presence of Commonwealth land in this vicinity.
Due to the unreliability of the data source, all proposals should be checked as to whether it impacts on a
Commonwealth area, before making a definitive decision. Contact the State or Territory government land
department for further information.
Commonwealth Land -
Listed Marine Species [Resource Information]
Name Status Type of Presence
**Birds**
*Apus pacificus*
Fork-tailed Swift [678] Species or species habitat may occur within area
*Ardea alba*
Great Egret, White Egret [59541]
Species or species habitat may occur within area
*Ardea ibis*
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*Merops ornatus*
Rainbow Bee-eater [670] Species or species habitat may occur within area
**Extra Information**
**Places on the RNE [Resource Information]**
Note that not all Indigenous sites may be listed.
Name Status
*Natural*
South West Irrigation Area WA Indicative Place
*Historic*
Dardanup Park Homestead WA Indicative Place
**State and Territory Reserves [Resource Information]**
Unnamed WA40552, WA
**Regional Forest Agreements [Resource Information]**
Note that all areas with completed RFAs have been included.
South West WA RFA, Western Australia
**Invasive Species [Resource Information]**
Weeds reported here are the 20 species of national significance (WoNS), along with other introduced
plants that are considered by the States and Territories to pose a particularly significant threat to
biodiversity. The following feral animals are reported: Goat, Red Fox, Cat, Rabbit, Pig, Water Buffalo
Name Status Type of Presence
**Mammals**
Felis catus  
Cat, House Cat, Domestic Cat 
[19]  
Species or species habitat likely to occur within area  
Oryctolagus cuniculus  
Rabbit, European Rabbit [128] Species or species habitat likely to occur within area  
Sus scrofa  
Pig [6] Species or species habitat may occur within area  
Vulpes vulpes  
Red Fox, Fox [18] Species or species habitat likely to occur within area  

**Plants**  
**Asparagus asparagoides**  
Bridal Creeper, Bridal Veil  
Creeper, Smilax, Florist's  
Smilax, Smilax Asparagus [22473]  
Species or species habitat likely to occur within area  
**Brahiaria mutica**  
Para Grass [5879] Species or species habitat may occur within area  
**Cenchrus ciliaris**  
Buffel-grass, Black Buffel-grass [20213]  
Species or species habitat may occur within area  
**Chrysanthemoides monilifera**  
Bitou Bush, Boneseed [18983] Species or species habitat may occur within area  
**Genista sp. X Genista monspessulana**  
Broom [67538] Species or species habitat may occur within area  
**Lantana camara**  
Lantana, Common Lantana,  
Kamara Lantana, Large-leaf  
Lantana, Pink Flowered  
Lantana, Red Flowered Lantana,  
Red-Flowered Sage, White  
Sage, Wild Sage [10892]  
Species or species habitat may occur within area  
**Lycium ferocissimum**  
African Boxthorn, Boxthorn [19235]  
Species or species habitat may occur within area  
**Olea europaea**  
Olive, Common Olive [9160] Species or species habitat may occur within area  
**Pinus radiata**  
Radiata Pine Monterey Pine,  
Insignis Pine, Wilding Pine [20780]  
Species or species habitat may occur within area  
**Rubus fruticosus aggregate**  
Blackberry, European  
Blackberry [68406]  
Species or species habitat may occur within area  
**Salix spp. except S.babylonica, S.x calodendron & S.x reichardtii**
Willows except Weeping Willow, Pussy Willow and Sterile Pussy Willow [68497]
Species or species habitat may occur within area
**Salvinia molesta**
Salvinia, Giant Salvinia, Aquarium Watermoss, Kariba Weed [13665]
Species or species habitat may occur within area

**Caveat**

The information presented in this report has been provided by a range of data sources as acknowledged at the end of the report. This report is designed to assist in identifying the locations of places which may be relevant in determining obligations under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999. It holds mapped locations of World Heritage and Register of National Estate properties, Wetlands of International Importance, Commonwealth and State/Territory reserves, listed threatened, migratory and marine species and listed threatened ecological communities. Mapping of Commonwealth land is not complete at this stage. Maps have been collated from a range of sources at various resolutions. Not all species listed under the EPBC Act have been mapped (see below) and therefore a report is a general guide only. Where available data supports mapping, the type of presence that can be determined from the data is indicated in general terms. People using this information in making a referral may need to consider the qualifications below and may need to seek and consider other information sources. For threatened ecological communities where the distribution is well known, maps are derived from recovery plans, State vegetation maps, remote sensing imagery and other sources. Where threatened ecological community distributions are less well known, existing vegetation maps and point location data are used to produce indicative distribution maps.

For species where the distributions are well known, maps are digitised from sources such as recovery plans and detailed habitat studies. Where appropriate, core breeding, foraging and roosting areas are indicated under 'type of presence'. For species whose distributions are less well known, point locations are collated from government wildlife authorities, museums, and non-government organisations; bioclimatic distribution models are generated and these validated by experts. In some cases, the distribution maps are based solely on expert knowledge. Only selected species covered by the following provisions of the EPBC Act have been mapped:
- migratory and
- marine

The following species and ecological communities have not been mapped and do not appear in reports produced from this database:
- threatened species listed as extinct or considered as vagrants
- some species and ecological communities that have only recently been listed
- some terrestrial species that overfly the Commonwealth marine area
- migratory species that are very widespread, vagrant, or only occur in small numbers.

The following groups have been mapped, but may not cover the complete distribution of the species:
- non-threatened seabirds which have only been mapped for recorded breeding sites;
- seals which have only been mapped for breeding sites near the Australian continent.
Such breeding sites may be important for the protection of the Commonwealth Marine environment.

**Coordinates**

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**Acknowledgements**

This database has been compiled from a range of data sources. The department acknowledges the following custodians who have contributed valuable data and advice:

- Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water, New South Wales
- Department of Sustainability and Environment, Victoria
- Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment, Tasmania
- Department of Environment and Natural Resources, South Australia
- Parks and Wildlife Service NT, NT Dept of Natural Resources, Environment and the Arts
- Environmental and Resource Management, Queensland
- Department of Environment and Conservation, Western Australia
- Department of the Environment, Climate Change, Energy and Water
- Birds Australia
- Australian Bird and Bat Banding Scheme
- Australian National Wildlife Collection
- Natural history museums of Australia
- Museum Victoria
- Australian Museum
- SA Museum
- Queensland Museum
- Online Zoological Collections of Australian Museums
- Queensland Herbarium
- National Herbarium of NSW
- Royal Botanic Gardens and National Herbarium of Victoria
- Tasmanian Herbarium
- State Herbarium of South Australia
- Northern Territory Herbarium
- Western Australian Herbarium
- Australian National Herbarium, Atherton and Canberra
- University of New England
- Ocean Biogeographic Information System
- Australian Government, Department of Defence
- State Forests of NSW
- Other groups and individuals

Environment Australia is extremely grateful to the many organisations and individuals who provided expert advice and information on numerous draft distributions. Please feel free to provide feedback via the Contact Us page.
Appendix I

Department of Agriculture and Food Advice on Declared Weeds
RE: proposed road widening operations Boyanup - Picton sector

Thank you for your notice of roadworks and enquiry about weeds.

No significant weed infestations to address. Some minor Parkinsonia caragana plants are detected on road verge occasionally but no specific precaution required.

Brian Trulluck
Roads User Officer
Department of Agriculture & Food
Bordenry Rd (Q20)
Appendix J

Comment from the Shire of Dardanup
Hi Jeanette,

I refer to your email below regarding the proposed improvements on Boyanup-Fitzton Road.

Comments as follows:

Section 1 - No comments.

Section 2 - I have looked into the origin of the trees along the railway. My understanding is that the trees were planted some time ago (around 1985) by the Lions Club to shield the rail line and headlights. It was a Lions Project that was approved by the Shire, Railways and MRWA.

Due to the history involved with the planting of the trees and the general objection usually received from the public when removing trees, it would be prudent to consult the Dardanup community on the proposal.

Further to this, the Shire’s Roadside Committee has previously highlighted the need to upgrade the road and the risk associated with the close proximity of some of the trees. Taking into consideration the accident history on the road, the public may possibly be accepting of removing the trees if there could be a demonstrated safety benefit and perhaps some offset planting/landscaping for the community.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss this further.

Regards,

Luke

LUKE BOTICA
Civil Works Officer
Manager Technical Services

Tel: 08 9724 0655 Fax: 08 9724 0656 Mob: 0427 447 560 Email: luke bots@shiredardanup.wa.gov.au

Shire of Dardanup
Appendix K

WAPC’s Acid Sulphate Soils Mapping
Appendix L

DEC Advice on Dieback
Dear Janette,

Subject: Phytophthora cinnamomi occurrence assessment for the Boyanup Picton Road upgrade

A Phytophthora cinnamomi (P.c) occurrence assessment of land associated with the proposed upgrade along the Boyanup Picton Road was recently conducted by the Department of Environment and Conservation. The assessment included two sections of the road between Dardanup and Picton. Initial inspection of those areas by enlarged, digital photographs revealed both sites to be largely degraded and disturbed. A field check was required to determine P.c. interpretability and extent of disturbance.

The assessment was completed on 17 January 2011 by Disease Hygiene Officer Julie Cox. Assessment methods were as described in Department of Environment and Conservation manual “Phytophthora cinnamomi and disease caused by it, volume 2, detection, diagnosis and mapping.”

The assessed areas have been rated as being Degraded (5) and Completely Degraded (6) on the Vegetation Condition Scale (Bush Forever, Vol. 2, Kelghey 1994). The high level of disturbance has removed all reliable indicator species and as a result no P.c. infested areas could be identified. The entire study area is excluded from P.c. occurrence mapping.

Section one (site of drain realignment) is approximately one kilometre in length. The small pocket of remnant vegetation in the northern part of this section reveals a vegetation structure that has been severely impacted by clearing and grazing. At present the area is grazed by horses. A healthy overstorey of Peppermint (Agonis flexuosa), Flooded Gum (Eucalyptus rupestris), Paperbark (Melaleuca raphophylla) and scattered Man (Corymbe calophylla) trees are present with an understorey void of native species and dominated by Watsonia sp. The remainder of section one is represented by a narrow band of scattered Flooded Gum and Paperbark trees with an understorey of grasses and Watsonia sp. This section has been rated as Degraded (5) as the native overstorey species remains reasonably intact.

Section two (site of road widening) starts at the Dardanup townsite and heads north towards Picton for 1.3 kilometres. This section has very little native vegetation remaining. On the east side of this section, situated between the old railway and Boyanup Picton Road, are rows of planted trees. This site has previously been cleared and rehabilitated with exotic tree species. Section two has been rated as Completely Degraded (6) as a result of the area being largely without native species and rehabilitated with non native tree species.

No P.c. hygiene management is required for work activities within the study area. As the area is already greatly degraded and lacking in native vegetation the introduction and/or spread of the pathogen would have little impact. A P.c. occurrence map has not been produced as no P.c. occurrence categories were identified during assessment.
Thank you for your interest in Phytophthora management.

Julie Cox
Disease Hygiene Officer
Forest Management Branch
Department of Environment and Conservation
18 January 2011
Appendix M

Vegetation Clearing Assessment Report
MRWA Vegetation Clearing Assessment Report

This report has been prepared to assist MRWA in addressing condition 7 “Assessment of Clearing Impacts” under Clearing Permit CPS 818.

For guidance on how to complete the form, refer to DEC completed reports (active permits) at https://secure.dec.wa.gov.au/cps_reports/.

1. **AREA UNDER ASSESSMENT DETAILS**

   **Proponent (Main Roads) details**
   
   Contacts:
   
   Project Manager: Bahaa Kanbour  
   Phone: 9725 5650  
   Environment Officer: Jeanette Della-Bona  
   Phone: 9725 5661

   **Property details**
   
   Property/Road:  
   Colloquial name: Boyanup – Picton Road, Shire of Dardanup

   **Area under assessment**
   
   Clearing Area (ha) 1.76 ha  
   Method of Clearing: mechanical  
   For the purpose of: improvement and widening

   **Avoidance/Minimise clearing**
   
   How have the clearing impacts been minimised?
   
   Clearing will take place on the east side of the road to minimise impact to native vegetation on the west side (ie for Section 2: clearing of non-local eucalypts instead of native vegetation on the western side of the road)

2. **BACKGROUND**

   **Existing environment and information**
   
   Description of the native vegetation under application
   

   **Methodology**
   
   Site inspection (Section 1) June 2010, GHD Senior Environmental Scientist (Appendix N)  
   Site inspection Main Roads Environment Officer, August 2010.

3. **ASSESSMENT OF APPLICATION AGAINST CLEARING PRINCIPLES**

   **(a) Native vegetation should not be cleared if it comprises a high level of biological diversity.**
   
   **Comments**
   
   Proposal is not at variance to this Principle.
   
   Approximately 1.7 ha of native vegetation is proposed to be cleared. The vegetation under application does not comprise a high level of biodiversity as it is classified as mostly Degraded (Section 1) and Completely Degraded (Section2) (Keighery, 1994). All of the vegetation contains an understorey that is comprised almost entirely of weed species.

   **Methodology**
   
   Site inspection (Section 1) June 2010, GHD Senior Environmental Scientist (Appendix N)  
   Site inspection Main Roads Environment Officer, August 2010.

   **(b) Native vegetation should not be cleared if it comprises the whole or a part of, or is necessary for the maintenance of, a significant habitat for fauna indigenous to Western Australia.**
   
   **Comments**
   
   Proposal is not at variance to this Principle.
   
   As the vegetation is mainly regrowth, the trees are not old enough to provide suitable habitat for nesting fauna. Also the vegetation is also not part of a woodland stand.
There are a number of fauna species listed on the department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities website (refer Appendix H) that are threatened species; however given the degraded and minor nature of the clearing involved, and the location of the project area – along the Boyanup Picton Road in a mostly cleared agricultural area, the area is considered to be unsuitable habitat for these species, and therefore the proposal not considered to be at variance to this principle.

**Methodology**
Site inspection Environmental Officer, 20/08/2010.
Black Cockatoo advice from ecologist Greg Harewood, March, 2011.

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Native vegetation should not be cleared if the clearing of the vegetation is likely to have an impact on the environmental values of any adjacent or nearby conservation area.

Comments
Proposal is not at variance to this Principle

Methodology
Main Roads ArcGIS database search (CALM areas mga 50)

Native vegetation should not be cleared if the clearing of the vegetation is likely to cause deterioration in the quality of surface or underground water.

Comments
Proposal is not at variance to this Principle

Methodology
Site inspection, Environment Officer, August 2010

Native vegetation should not be cleared if clearing the vegetation is likely to cause, or exacerbate, the incidence or intensity of flooding.

Comments
Proposal is not at variance to this Principle

Methodology
Site inspection, Environment Officer, August 2010

Atlas of Natural Resources Darling System of Western Australia, CALM-WA, 1980
SLIP NRM database – Soil landscape degradation hazards

Planning instrument, Native Title, RIWI Act Licence, EP Act Licence, Works Approval, Previous EPA decision or other matter.

Comments
Not applicable

Methodology

4. SUBMISSIONS

If required have submissions been requested and addressed

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5. ASSESSOR’S RECOMMENDATIONS

List of Principles seriously at variance, at variance or maybe at variance

Recommendation
The proposal is not at variance to the Clearing Principles; therefore the clearing can be undertaken using the Purpose Permit CPS 818/5.

6. REFERENCES

OFFICER PREPARING REPORT

Jeanette Della-Bona
Environment Officer – South West Region
25/03/2011
Ph (08) 9724 5661
Appendix N

Section 1 Raw flora data & comment from GHD botanist
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Comment from GHD Senior Environmental Scientist on flora in project area (Section 1 - Carinya Road section)

From: Meranda Toner/Perth/GHD/AU on 28/06/2010 01:14:35 PM
Repository: 6125688 Boyanup Picton Rd (12.3-13.4) PEIA
To: Christopher M Lane/Bunbury/GHD/AU
cc: Neil McCarthy/Bunbury/GHD/AU
Subject: Re: Fw: Boyanup Picton Rd, SLK 12.32 - 13.38

Hi Chris and Neil,

documents relating to the Boyanup - Picton Rd are saved at:
N:\AU\Bunbury\Projects\61\25572\Boyanup_Picton_Rd

At this stage I have created a species list. The understorey was largely dominated by weeds. No conservation significant species were present.

Photos and desktop search of naturebase are also provided in the folder.

Regards

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Senior Environmental Scientist/Ecologist

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Appendix O

Site Photos
Photograph 1: Section 1 RHS verge looking north along the Boyanup-Picton Road drain to be realigned

Photograph 2: Section 1 drain to be realigned to the east approx. 15m
Photograph 3: Section 1 RHS verge looking north along the Boyanup-Picton Road drain proposed for realignment to the east.

Photograph 4: Section 1 looking south along Boyanup Picton Road RHS (east verge),
these marries next to the edge of the road will be removed.

Photograph 5: Section 1 looking north along Boyanup Picton Road RHS (east verge), towards Carinya Road, note degraded nature of verge vegetation.

Photograph 6: Section 1 looking south along Boyanup Picton Road RHS (east verge), drain to be realigned approximately 15m east.
Photograph 7: Section 2 looking south along Boyanup-Picton Road towards Dardanup, RHS verge (east side), proposed for clearing (planted entry statement of non-local eucalypts into Dardanup).

Photograph 8: Section 2 looking north along Boyanup-Picton Road towards Picton, RHS verge (east side), (planted entry statement into Dardanup of non local eucalypts).
Photograph 9: Section 2 Boyanup-Picton Road RHS verge (east side) non-local eucalypts with railway line in the background.

Photograph 10: Section 2 Boyanup-Picton Road LHS verge (east side) looking north, shows row of planted non-local eucalypts and railway line to the right.
Appendix P

Environmental Management Plan
Environmental Management Plan  
BOYANUP PICTON ROAD 10.03 – 13.38 SLK  
IMPROVE AND WIDEN

Introduction
This Environmental Management Plan (EMP) has been developed for the project area following the completion of the Preliminary Environmental Impact Assessment (PEIA) report. The aim of this EMP is to minimise the environmental impacts associated with the proposed works as well as to identify areas of responsibilities required for the implementation of management strategies.

This EMP addresses specific issues that were identified during the PEIA. The project management measures identified within this EMP are in addition to the standard environmental management contract specifications used for Category 2 projects. Main Roads’ standard environmental contract specifications (Specifications 203, 204, 301, 302 and 304) are to be adhered to where appropriate.

The areas that require special management will be addressed in terms of:

- the timing of the various management actions;
- the topic (e.g. vegetation);
- the objectives for each area;
- the actions that are necessary to minimise the impact;
- the responsible party for implementing the action; and
- whether the action arose from external advice or is a Main Roads requirement.

Communication Plan
Environmental issues specific to the project will be communicated as follows

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External Communication and Complaints
A complaints register shall be maintained by the contractor. All complaints received shall be forwarded to the Main Roads’ Project Manager for action. Serious complaints shall be investigated within 24 hours of the complaint being received.
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| All phases of Construction | Vegetation Clearing - Record-keeping          | All projects should maintain the required records relating to clearing native vegetation under the purpose permit. | Clearing:  
- a copy of the PEIA & EMP (Minor projects) for small projects;  
- a map showing the location where the clearing occurred, recorded in an ESRI Shapefile  
- the size of the area cleared (in hectares); and  
- the dates on which the clearing was done. | Project Manager | Main Roads |
<p>| Pre - Construction | Visual Amenity                                | Ensure that road blends into environment.                                 | Develop design documentation to meet project requirements as identified in the visual impact assessment.                                                                                                       | Project Manager | Main Roads |
| Pre - Construction | Revegetation and Landscape planning          | To revegetate site.                                                      | Prepare a Project Revegetation Plan in consultation with the Dardanup Community with respect to the removal of the non-local eucalypts (planted by the Lions club) at Section 2 with a view to undertaking some off-set planting/landscaping in place of the removal of this line of trees. (Refer Appendix J) | Project Manager | Main Roads |
| Pre - Construction | Vegetation Clearing                           | Ensure that the overall objectives of the alignment and construction works are compatible with maintaining and, where possible, enhancing the biological integrity of the surrounding environment and minimising vegetation loss and degradation; and Ensure the retention of as many habitat trees, shrubs and vegetated corridors for fauna as possible. | Selection of designs/locations that minimise adverse impacts on the biological environment. Construction works to be undertaken in summer to reduce the potential for soil erosion and drainage line siltation due to vegetation removal and heavy rains. Any stockpiled vegetation from clearing works shall not be burnt. This vegetation shall be used during any rehabilitation works and either mulched or respread according to the TDP/Revegetation Plan. | Project Manager | Main Roads |
| Pre - Construction | Surface Drainage                             | Maintain the hydrological regime that exists prior to the construction of the proposal. | Stormwater drainage shall be treated and disposed of in accordance with DEC requirements. | Project Manager | DEC        |
| Construction      | Noise, Vibration and Dust                    | Ensure that the construction of the proposal does not become a nuisance to the public. | Access to private property and appropriate traffic management measures should be planned and implemented prior to the construction of works.                                                                 | Contractor        | Main Roads |</p>
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<td>Where it is found that trucks leaving the site are carrying excessive material onto sealed surfaces, these areas will be swept to reduce dust generation and maintain traffic safety.</td>
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<td>Watering, the use of hydromulch or other forms of mulching to protect loose surfaces shall be used as mitigation measures.</td>
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<td>Pollution and Litter</td>
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<td>Emergency cleanup procedures shall be implemented in the case of any spillage. These will include control of spilled material and removal of contaminated soil to an approved site. The contractor shall ensure appropriate equipment is available at all times and shall notify the Superintendent’s Representative of a spill.</td>
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<td>Rehabilitate the project area to meet project commitments.</td>
<td>Implement the contract specifications for rehabilitation of the site.</td>
<td>Contractor</td>
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<td>Construction</td>
<td>Landscaping</td>
<td>Meet project commitments for revegetating and landscaping.</td>
<td>Implement the Project Revegetation Plan.(ie to be developed in consultation with the Dardanup Community)</td>
<td>Contractor</td>
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<td>Monitoring</td>
<td>Meet project revegetation commitments.</td>
<td>Monitor effectiveness of revegetation works.</td>
<td>Contractor/ Project Manager</td>
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Monitoring
After project completion and project handover, the Asset manager should develop a monitoring program to monitor for those aspects that have been identified as requiring monitoring.

Contingency Measures
Due to the scale and nature of the project, no contingency measures are identified as the inherent environmental risks are small.

Auditing
Due to the scale and nature of the project, there is no requirement for auditing the implementation of the EMP as the environmental risks are small.