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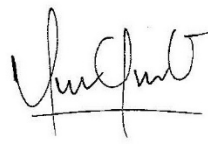

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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The audit assesses compliance of clearing of native vegetation with CPS818/17 for selected MRWA projects. Projects assessed were limited to those where clearing was undertaken between 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2024. Condition 16 (b) of CPS 818/17 requires the lead environmental auditor to select projects to be audited *by using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that:*

- *Uses an appropriate sample size of projects for each region where clearing was undertaken under CPS 818 within the previous two calendar years (2023 and 2024); and*
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- Kimberley;
- Metropolitan;
- Midwest – Gascoyne;
- Pilbara;
- South West; and
- Wheatbelt.

The risk-based selection methodology proposed, accepted and subsequently used, is broadly consistent with the methodology used by MRWA within their internal auditing in 2024. The sampling methodology was approved by DWER after consultation with MRWA in June 2025, via email correspondence provided as Appendix 2.

The risk-based selection process is intended to select project activities that had higher complexity and project activities that had lower complexity. Each MRWA region was assessed separately,



including the projects that conducted clearing in 2023 and 2024. The project activities were then divided into two groups, as follows:

1. Group 1. Those that were assessed as having one or more clearing principles “at variance” or “may be at variance”; and
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A total of 22 projects were selected to be assessed for compliance against the CPS 818/17 conditions, comprising 10 within Group 1 and 12 within Group 2 (Appendix 1). A list of the selected projects is provided in Section 1.4, Table 1 and Table 2.

The audit process was designed to systematically gather objective evidence to evaluate the level of compliance with the CPS 818/17 conditions for each of the MRWA projects selected. The audit methodology included desktop assessment of compliance with audit criteria, reviewing relevant documentation, interviewing and / or communicating with responsible employees or representatives. No field inspections were completed by the auditor.

A total of 1,936 obligations were identified for compliance assessment across the selected projects against the CPS 818/17 (the number of sub-conditions multiplied by the number of selected projects to be assessed). The compliance assessment of the 22 projects is provided in Appendix 3. A summary of the overall assessment outcomes is provided in Table ES1 below.

Table ES1: Compliance Summary

Outcomes	Quantity	Percentage
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The audit reveals that 864 items (98%) of the 880 evaluated applicable obligations were assessed as compliant (Table ES1). Five non-compliances (1%) were identified. A total of 1,056 (55%) of the obligations were not applicable due to the low complexity of the clearing activities, timing of the revegetation, rehabilitation or monitoring actions, or because offset exemptions were granted by DWER.

Observations were made for MRWA to consider in 11 (1%) items. Many of these are related to the same condition on multiple projects. All of these items were noted as observations because evidence of clean on entry practices was provided but no evidence of clean on exit practices.

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 BACKGROUND

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The MRWA regions form the basis of the selection of projects that have utilised the provisions of CPS 818/17 to ensure lawful clearing of native vegetation. Combined with a risk-based approach





that is explained in Section 2.1, the selection process was determined by the lead auditor in consultation with MRWA and DWER.

1.2 PURPOSE

This audit report has been prepared to address Condition 16(a) of CPS 818/17, which requires an external audit to be conducted by an accredited lead environmental auditor.

1.3 SCOPE

The scope of this audit is defined by the CPS 818/17 conditions. The compliance assessment includes projects that required native vegetation clearing between 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2024 under the CPS 818. MRWA maintains records of clearing of native vegetation for all regional projects which were used to select the sample of individual projects to be assessed for compliance.

A total of 22 projects across the eight MRWA regions were selected to be assessed for compliance against the CPS 818/17 conditions. The selected projects were divided into two groups reflecting greater or lower complexity (Group 1 (10 projects) and Group 2 (12 projects)). The selection process is described in Section 2.1. A list of the selected projects is provided in Section 1.4, Table 1 and Table 2 below.

1.4 PROJECTS AUDITED

The projects were separated into two groups that represented a range of complexity and potential environmental significance. Group 1 included all projects that were assessed as having one or more clearing principles “at variance” or “may be at variance” (higher complexity). Group 2 included all projects that were assessed as having none of the clearing principles “at variance” or “may be at variance” (i.e., all were “not likely to be at variance” or “not at variance”)(lower complexity). CPS 818 is not used for approval of larger, higher risk native vegetation clearing as these projects are referred for formal assessment under Part IV of the EP Act or utilise the general Native Vegetation Clearing Permit approval framework. The following tables provide a summary of the projects audited for each region within Group 1 (Table 1) and Group 2 (Table 2).



Table 1: Group 1 (higher complexity) Projects

Number	Region	Project Name	Approved Clearing (ha)	Cleared Area (ha)	Year Clearing Occurred	Project Description
1.	Goldfields / Esperance	South Coast Highway shoulder widening SLK 468.85 to 469.51	0.75	0.6055	2024	Clearing of native vegetation to widen the road shoulder to 2 m at intersections, construction of additional 3.5 m wide traffic lane at the Bukenerup Road and Collier Road intersections and sealing a section of the South Coast Highway from Straight Line Kilometre (SLK) 468.85 to SLK 469.51. Clearing not to exceed 0.75 ha within a 2.60 ha Development Envelope.
2.	Great Southern	Albany Ring Road Stage 2 and 3	5.65	0.05	2023	Stage 3 of the Albany Ring Road is the western link of the ring road and is located between the Menang Road (SLK 6.66) and Lower Denmark Road (SLK 4.46) (comprised into three separate Sections). 5.56 ha clearing applies to one section only (Stage 3a Section 2) from Patricia Close to South Coast Highway.
3.	Kimberley (1)	Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1 Road Upgrade SLK 0-40	228	91.3318	2024	Upgrades to a 41 km stretch of the existing Tanami Road between SLK 0 and SLLK 41. The upgrade activities comprise groundworks and surfacing of gravel road with bitumen, realignment of high-risk sections, upgrade of drains and install material laydown and turn around areas.
4.	Kimberley (2)	Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1 SLK 20-40 Material Areas	80	31.0924	2024	Upgrades to a 41km stretch of the existing Tanami Road between SLK 0 and SLLK 41. The upgrade activities comprised groundworks and surfacing of gravel road with bitumen, realignment of high-risk sections, upgrade of drains and install material laydown and turn around areas.
5.	Metropolitan	Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening and Smart Freeway Hester to Warwick	0.34	0.054	2023	Installation of Smart Freeway infrastructure at the Hodges Drive On ramp requiring civil works and clearing for CCTV sight lines.
6.	Mid West / Gascoyne	Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 Widening	73.64	72.37	2024	Widening and upgrades of Indian Ocean Drive between 219.85 and 253.18 SLK comprised of clearing for construction, road widening, installation of audible edge lines, various intersection upgrades, re-alignment of several sections and addition of passing lanes.
7.	Pilbara	Perdaman - Burrup Peninsula Rd	8.53	3.61	2023	Perdaman Chemical and Fertilisers (Perdaman) are proposing to construct a urea plant with a conveyor facility connecting to Dampier Port. The works required access to the

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		Upgrade and Hearson Cove Rd Realignment				Burrup Peninsula Road which is under Main Roads' jurisdiction. The works include realignment, access ways, relocation and protection of existing services, box culvert upgrades, culvert extension, road widening and other ancillary works.
8.	South West	Forrest Highway and Binningup Road Northbound Acceleration Lane	0.17	0.17	2023	Construction of a 670 m long northbound acceleration lane at the intersection of Forrest Highway and Binningup Road – as well as raised islands and improved street lighting.
9.	Wheatbelt (1)	GEH Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 3	5.43	0.66	2024	Construction of a 670 m long northbound acceleration lane at the intersection of Forrest Highway and Binningup Road – as well as raised islands and improved street lighting.
10.	Wheatbelt (2)	GEH Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 6	8.48	4.28	2024	Upgrades to a 4.45 km section of Great Eastern Highway between the town sites of Carrabin and Bodallin. The upgrades comprise road widening, pavement overlay, rehabilitation or reconstruction, new road delineation, signage and line marking, upgrades to drainage infrastructure, intersection improvements and improved safety features.

Table 2: Group 2 (lower complexity) Projects

Number	Region	Project Name	Approved Clearing (ha)	Cleared Area (ha)	Year Clearing Occurred	Project Description
11.	Goldfields / Esperance	Bromus Material Pit	53.3	28.01	2023	Progressively clear vegetation, stockpile topsoil material and gravel materials and extract material via the access haul road for future road construction projects in the Goldfields Esperance region, as needed.
12.	Great Southern	Bridge Replacement. Bridge 5023A, Jerramungup River	0.89	0.14	2023	Bridge 5023A is nearing the end of its design life and required replacement. Construction of a replacement bridge (5023B).
13.	Kimberley	New Fitzroy River Bridge	38.23	12.43	2023	Replace the Fitzroy River bridge (bridge no. 1131) located on the Great Northern Highway SLK 2523.47 to 2526.10, east of Fitzroy Crossing townsite, Kimberley Region WA. The bridge and approaches were severely damaged during the December 2022/January 2023 flooding events and required urgent replacement.
14.	Metropolitan	Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening and Smart Freeway Hester to Warwick	2.4	0.294	2024	Upgrade the Mitchell Freeway southbound on-ramp at Hepburn Avenue.
15.	Midwest – Gascoyne (1)	Geraldton Mt Magnet Rd - Materials Pit 154 SLK LHS	100	10	2024	Investigation and stockpiling of suitable road building materials for maintenance and construction purposes within one pit location along Geraldton-Mt Magnet Road. Suitable materials will be extracted and stockpiled in cells to supply maintenance or construction projects when required. Each cell will be rehabilitated following the completion of extraction activities, which involves respreading topsoil and vegetation and ripping the surface.
16.	Midwest – Gascoyne (2)	Mt Magnet Leinster 138.3 SLK Material Pit	154	6	2024	Investigate leased pastoral land to identify any potentially naturally occurring road building materials for borrow/basecourse for future construction and maintenance activities. If suitable material is located during the investigation, stockpiling will be staged as per project requirements.
17.	Pilbara	Great Northern Highway Overtaking Lanes 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6	149	26.2306	2024	Construction of passing lanes along Great Northern Highway Overtaking Lanes 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 (Newman to Auski).

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		(Newman to Auski) Construction				
18.	South West	Goodwood Road Upgrades 34.5 - 36.5 SLK	0.13	0.13	2023	Pavement widening to achieve a nine metre seal including additional pavement widening at curve locations in order to provide guard rail. Selective clearing of up to approximately 19 trees (canopy area of 0.13 ha) required, mostly within the existing road reserve.
19.	Wheatbelt (1)	Great Eastern Highway - Walgoolan to Southern Cross	0.08	0.06	2023	Pavement reconstruction and widening of Great Eastern Highway, new road delineation, signage and line marking, including a 1 m wide centre line and upgrades to drainage infrastructure and improve road drainage.
20.	Wheatbelt (2)	Toodyay Road Upgrade - Western Power Relocations	0.052	0.052	2023	Widen and seal the shoulders adjacent to the intersection, extend the drainage pipe outside of the clear zone at the intersection, and widen the carriageway through the intersection and increase the radius to ensure that all vehicles can turn lane correct through the intersection.
21.	Wheatbelt (3)	GEH-Parker Range Road Intersection Upgrade	2.59	2.2737	2024	Upgrades to the intersection of Great Eastern Highway and Parker Range Road between SLK 343 and 344.33, including auxiliary right hand turn treatment from GEH east-bound into Parker Range Road (i.e., separate right-turn turning pocket), basic left hand turn treatment from GEH West-bound into Parker Range Road, acceleration lane, widening of the intersection to accommodate truck movements, upgrades to drainage infrastructure, reconstruction of GEH, audible edge and centreline markings and Telstra relocation works.
22.	Wheatbelt (4)	H052 Brookton Hwy 315 SLK Intersection Upgrade	0.41	0.41	2024	Widen and seal the shoulders adjacent to the intersection, extend the drainage pipe outside of the clear zone at the intersection, and widen the carriageway through the intersection and increase the radius to ensure that all vehicles can turn lane correct through the intersection.

2 AUDIT METHODOLOGY

The audit was managed by Preston Consulting's independent certified lead environmental auditor Marilyn Quintero. Marilyn was assisted in preparation and reviewing of documentation by Preston Consulting personnel as required to complete the documentation assembly and review work at an appropriate level. The audit progress, key matters and report was tracked, reviewed and checked by Preston Consulting Directors, Phil Scott and/or Gavin Edwards.

The audit generally proceeded according to the following sequence of activities:

- Review the list of MRWA projects involving clearing of native vegetation under CPS 818 during the period of 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2024 (list provided by MRWA);
- Review of each project's Clearing Desktop Report (CDR) or Clearing Assessment Report (CAR) to identify which projects were assessed as having one or more clearing principles "at variance" or "may be at variance" to place them into Group 1 or Group 2 (see Appendix 1. Project Selection Table).
- Select the projects to be audited based on the "risk-based selection framework" outlined in CPS818/17 Condition 15(c) in consultation with MRWA and DWER (see Appendix 2. correspondence Ref D24# 829000);
- Prepare an audit table of CPS 818/17 conditions for each of the 22 projects selected to capture the relevant audit information (Appendix 3. Audit Tables);
- Complete an initial assessment of compliance within the audit table utilising project's CDRs or CARs and publicly available information from the MRWA website;
- Gather information for selected projects with MRWA personnel through meetings and correspondence;
- Preparation of a series of Requests for Evidence (RFEs) to address information gaps;
- Review of documentation provided by MRWA to close out gaps in information required to assess compliance;
- Provision of a first draft report to MRWA;
- Provision of further information required to assess compliance by MRWA;
- Review and address MRWA further information and comments; and
- Preparation of final audit report.

A preliminary copy of the draft report (Rev B) was provided to MRWA on 15 September 2025. A copy of the final draft report was provided to MRWA on 17 November 2025 for review and provision of comments.

The provision of the final version of this report (Rev 0) formally concludes the 818/17 External Audit 2025 (audit period: 2023 – 2024).

2.1 RISK-BASED PROJECT SELECTION

The risk-based selection methodology proposed, accepted and subsequently used, is broadly consistent with the methodology used by MRWA within their internal auditing in 2024, as described in the letter from Ms Martine Scheltema (MRWA – Director Environment and Heritage) to the Director General of DWER on 31 January 2024 (Ref CPS 818/17; Appendix 2). The sampling



methodology was approved by DWER after consultation with MRWA in June 2025, via email correspondence provided as Appendix 4.

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To ensure an adequate sample size and risk representation, a minimum of 20% of project activities from Group 1 and a minimum of 10% of project activities from Group 2 for each region were chosen, based on the criteria below:

- Number of clearing principles that were “at variance” or “may be at variance”;
- Total size of the clearing area;
- Requirement for management plans (number of management plans triggered);
- Whether the clearing triggered a requirement for offsets or revegetation; and
- Whether the project was internally audited last year (2024) by MRWA (to limit the number of repeat audits).

A total of 22 projects were selected to be assessed for compliance against the CPS 818/17 conditions, comprising 10 within Group 1 and 12 within Group 2, as shown on Table 1 below and Appendix 1. A list of the selected projects is provided in Section 1.4, Table 1 and Table 2 above.

Table 3: Number of projects selected per region

Region	Group 1		Group 2	
	Total number of projects 2023 - 2024	Number of projects selected	Total number of projects 2023-2024	Number of projects selected
Goldfields - Esperance	1	1	8	1
Great Southern	2	1	4	1
Kimberley	11	2	9	1
Metropolitan	4	1	10	1
Mid West- Gascoyne	3	1	17	2
Pilbara	3	1	5	1
South West	6	1	5	1
Wheatbelt	10	2	39	4
TOTAL	40	10	97	12



2.2 COLLECTION OF INFORMATION

The audit process was designed to systematically gather objective evidence to evaluate the level of compliance with the CPS 818/17 conditions for each of the MRWA projects selected. Information gathering utilised a standard three points of evidence approach – using the following information sources:

1. Desktop assessment of documented evidence of compliance with audit criteria;
2. Review of relevant additional documents to determine compliance; and
3. Interviews/correspondence with responsible employees or representatives where required for clarification.

It should be noted that the audit is retrospective and relies on the provision of written evidence by MRWA – there is not field inspection component.

All information remained confidential with access restricted to those personnel actively working on the audit.

The information collection commenced with the project's CDRs and CARs provided by MRWA and publicly available information which was provided to Preston Consulting by MRWA at the beginning of the audit process (throughout July-August 2025). An iterative process of information gathering continued with MRWA personnel based on meetings and a series of RFEs over a period of weeks between July and September 2025.

The audit process, inclusive of meetings, information gathering and RFE requests were managed by Lead Environmental Auditor (Marilyn Quintero) with assistance from Preston Consulting environmental personnel: Tyler Falkous, Madeline Tindale, Aimee Smithers, Penjor Wangdi, Siena West, Krishna Gorasia, Michael Poggioli and Brad Sterling. Direction and oversight were provided by Preston Consulting Directors Gavin Edwards and Phil Scott.

The principal representative personnel from MRWA were Tiffaney George (Environment and Heritage – Planning and Technical Services Directorate), Anna Sutherland (Principal Environment Officer (Policy)) and Kavi Alwis Manchanayake (Environment Officer – Environment and Heritage).

2.3 AUDIT CRITERIA

The audit criteria to be applied to each of the conditions defined within the CPS 818/17 (Conditions 1 – 16) were provided by MRWA and are shown in Table 4. The audit criteria as applied to each condition was assessed based on the evidence provided by MRWA.





Table 4: Audit Findings - Categories

Category	Acronym	Meaning
Compliance	C	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.
Opportunity for Improvement	OFI	Enough evidence to demonstrate compliance, with an improved way to achieve compliance.
Observation	OB	Not strictly related to compliance or non-compliance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-compliance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).
Non-Compliance	NC	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.
Not Applicable	N/A	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required as per the CPS 818/17 conditions.



3 AUDIT FINDINGS

3.1 COMPLIANCE SUMMARY

The audit has confirmed a high level of compliance with CPS 818/17 native vegetation clearing conditions for projects undertaken in 2023 and 2024 under CPS 818 by MRWA. Most of the applicable conditions in CPS 818/17 relate to preparation work – consisting of a CDR or CAR (that provides an assessment of the potential environmental impacts against the 10 Clearing Principles documented under the EP Act), management actions/plans, retention of records and evidence to demonstrate that ground-disturbance activities have been undertaken consistently with CPS 818/17 obligations.

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No specific opportunities for improvement were identified. However, general observations are noted in Section 3.5.

The large number of conditions assessed as not applicable has led the auditor to present the compliance data in relation to only applicable obligations (i.e. excluding Not Applicable items) to provide a clearer picture of compliance. The large number of conditions assessed as not applicable also indicates that the intention of the CPS 818/17 focusing on the smaller scale and



less complex clearing for MRWA projects is being met – under the permit, more complex environmental settings result in more applicable conditions.

3.2 AUDIT OUTCOMES

To assist in understanding the performance across individual projects in relation to CPS 818/17, a summary of the compliance assessment results for each project is outlined below in Table 6 and Table 7 for Group 1 and Group 2, respectively.

Table 6: Group 1 – Summary of audit findings

Region	Project Activity	C	OFI	OB	NC	N/A	Total
Goldfields – Esperance	South Coast Highway shoulder widening SLK 468.85 to 469.51	58	0	0	0	30	88
Great Southern	Albany Ring Road Stage 2 and	46	0	3	0	39	88
Kimberley (1)	Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1 Road Upgrade SLK 0-40	52	0	0	0	36	88
Kimberley (2)	Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1 SLK 20-40 Material Areas	33	0	0	0	55	88
Metropolitan	Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening and Smart Freeway Hester to Warwick	56	0	1	0	31	88
Midwest - Gascoyne	Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 Widening	52	0	4	0	32	88
Pilbara	Perdaman - Burrup Peninsula Rd Upgrade and Hearson Cove Rd Realignment	52	0	0	0	36	88
South West	Forrest Highway and Binningup Road Northbound Acceleration Lane	53	0	3	0	32	88
Wheatbelt (1)	GEH Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 3	52	0	0	0	36	88
Wheatbelt (2)	GEH Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 6	49	0	0	0	39	88
Total		503	0	11	0	366	880

Table 7: Group 2 – Summary of audit findings

Region	Project Activity	C	OFI	OB	NC	N/A	Total
Goldfields – Esperance	Bromus Material Pit	30	0	0	0	58	88
Great Southern	Bridge Replacement. Bridge 5023A, Jerramungup River	36	0	0	0	52	88
Kimberley	New Fitzroy River Bridge	30	0	0	0	58	88
Metropolitan	Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening and Smart Freeway Hester to Warwick	34	0	0	0	54	88
Midwest – Gascoyne (1)	Geraldton Mt Magnet Rd - Materials Pit 154 SLK LHS	29	0	0	0	59	88



Region	Project Activity	C	OFI	OB	NC	N/A	Total
Midwest – Gascoyne (2)	Mt Magnet Leinster 138.3 SLK Material Pit	26	0	0	0	62	88
Pilbara	Great Northern Highway Overtaking Lanes 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 (Newman to Auski) Construction	29	0	0	0	59	88
South West	Goodwood Road Upgrades 34.5 - 36.5 SLK	30	0	0	4	54	88
Wheatbelt (1)	Great Eastern Highway - Walgoolan to Southern Cross	30	0	0	0	58	88
Wheatbelt (2)	Toodyay Road Upgrade - Western Power Relocations	30	0	0	0	58	88
Wheatbelt (3)	GEH-Parker Range Road Intersection Upgrade	29	0	0	0	59	88
Wheatbelt (4)	H052 Brookton Hwy 315 SLK Intersection Upgrade	28	0	0	1	59	88
Total		361	0	0	5	690	1,056

3.3 NON-COMPLIANCES

A total of five items were assessed to be non-compliant (NC). These items are a non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement. Four of the NCs are part of the same project with complexity in dieback management and the non-compliances are associated with the lack of evidence on clean on entry and on exit. The other NC relates to the timing of publishing the CAR on the website where there is a clear limit on timing which was not met. This relates to an administrative error and did not result in any environmental harm.

The NCs are outlined in Table 8 below.



Table 8: Non-compliances (NC)

Item No.	Region and Project	CPS 818/17 Condition	Comment
1.	South West region - Goodwood Road Upgrades 34.5 - 36.5 SLK	<p>10 When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback:</p> <p>(a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;</p>	<p>Proposal is within a Region that has rainfall greater than 400mm and is South of the 26th parallel. CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8, Table 6 states "Standard Vehicle and Plant management actions from Principal Environmental Management Requirements (PEMRs) and Hygiene Checklists will be applied."</p> <p>MRWA advised "Clean on entry is standard practice for Main Roads, however, unable to provide hygiene checklists from the date of clearing".</p> <p>NC relates to insufficient evidence to demonstrate clean on entry or clean on exit was implemented.</p>
2.	South West region - Goodwood Road Upgrades 34.5 - 36.5 SLK	<p>10 (c) If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.</p>	<p>"Section 8 of the project's CAR (MRWA, 2023) says that the proposed works require clearing within or adjacent to DBCA managed lands in non-dry conditions. It also states: "The Forest Management Branch Bunbury (DBCA) supplied comprehensive level occurrence information and advice that only basic hygiene management is required as the area is infested and excluded unprotectable. Dieback management measures have been developed in consultation with Sustainable Forest Management Coordinator (DBCA Blackwood District) and will be included in the CEMP."</p> <p>MRWA - 2023 - Minor Works Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) - M042 Goodwood Road [34.70 to 36.50 SLK] – Road widening and guard rail installation - 147/16-0159 - 2023 - Fulton Hogan (CEMP (MRWA, 2023)). The CEMP Table 3, Dieback Aspect states Specific Environmental Management Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean on Entry via Vehicle and Plant Hygiene Checklist (records to be kept and provided to Main Roads) • Signage at the road reserve interface with Boyanup State Forest (no access) (evidence to be collected and provided to Main Roads). <p>MRWA advised "Clean on entry is standard practice for Main Roads, however, unable to provide hygiene checklists from the date of clearing".</p> <p>Minutes of a site meeting (Kick off meeting) conducted on 21/03/23 with MRWA and Fulton Hogan stated: "Dieback No Entry signs are set up".</p>

Item No.	Region and Project	CPS 818/17 Condition	Comment
			NC relates to no records of Hygiene Checklists that would demonstrate implementation of DBCA endorsed management actions for minimising the spread of dieback. This NC relates to the same clean on entry and exit requirement as Item No. 1.
3.	South West region - Goodwood Road Upgrades 34.5 - 36.5 SLK	<p>10 (f) When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds:</p> <p>(i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;</p>	NC relates to insufficient evidence to demonstrate clean on entry or clean on exit was implemented, as also noted in condition 10(a) (item 1 of this table). This NC relates to the same clean on entry and exit requirement as Item Nos. 1 and 2.
4.	South West region - Goodwood Road Upgrades 34.5 - 36.5 SLK	<p>13 (d) In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit:</p> <p>(v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.</p>	NC relates to insufficient evidence to demonstrate record keeping of clean on entry or clean on exit, as also noted in condition 10(a) (item 1 of this table). This NC relates to the same clean on entry and exit requirement as Item Nos. 1, 2 and 3.
5.	Wheatbelt - H052 Brookton Hwy 315 SLK Intersection Upgrade	14 (e) For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	<p>CDR is currently (July 2025) published on MRWA website (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/4ab580/globalassets/community-environment/environment/clearing-intext/2024/wheatbelt/3201-h052-brookton-hwy-315-slk-intersection-upgrade-clearing-asesment-report.pdf).</p> <p>MRWA internal correspondence emails indicated that CDR (MRWA, 2024) was published on 30/10/2024, which is not within the three months of clearing start 3/04/2024.</p> <p>NC relates to timing as the CAR was not published within three months after clearing commenced.</p>

3.4 OBSERVATIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPROVEMENT

Items judged as “Observations” are observations of the auditor that are not strictly related to compliance or non-compliance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-compliance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. often related to maintenance, weather, timing or a documentation matter). “Opportunities for improvement” are noted where there was enough evidence to demonstrate compliance, but the auditor believes there may be an improved way to achieve compliance.

A total of 11 items were assessed with an observation (Table 9). Many of these are related to the same condition on multiple projects. The *Comments* column in Table 9 identifies the particular information relevant to the Observation outcome, with a summary statement marked in bold. Where the observations are repeated across several projects the relevant projects are listed.

Observations generally relate to the following:

- Clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to leaving the area to be cleared for dieback or weed control; and
- Establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to exiting dieback infested and uninterpretable areas.

No specific opportunities for improvement were identified. However, general observations that may require actions were noted in following Section (3.5).

Table 9: Observations (OB)

Item No.	Region and Project	CPS 818/17 Condition	Comment	Outcome
1.	The following 4 projects were identified with an OB for this condition: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Great Southern – Albany Ring Road Stage 2 and 3 (3a only) 2. Metropolitan - Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening and Smart Freeway Hester to Warwick (2023) 3. Midwest – Gascoyne - Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 Widening 4. South West - Forrest Highway and Binningup Road Northbound Acceleration Lane 	10 (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	OB relates to lack of evidence of clean on exit. Clean on exit requires provision of washdown equipment on site where washdown may be best completed off-site.	OB
2.	Midwest – Gascoyne - Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 Widening	10 (d) (v) establishing clean on exist (exit) points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing (exiting) dieback infested and uninterpretable areas;	Clean on exit points were not included in dieback MP. No evidence of implementation provided.	OB
3.	The following 3 projects were identified with an OB for this condition: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Great Southern – Albany Ring Road Stage 2 and 3 (3a only) 2. Midwest – Gascoyne - Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 Widening 3. South West - Forrest Highway and Binningup Road Northbound Acceleration Lane 	10 (f) When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	OB relates to lack of evidence of clean on exit as per condition 10(a) (item 1 of this table). Same clean machinery requirement as is required for dieback control. Clean on exit requires provision of washdown equipment on site where washdown may be best completed off-site.	OB
4.	The following 3 projects were identified with an OB for this condition:	13 (d) (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	Controls under condition 10(f) were marked as OB due to no clean on exit, as also noted in	OB





Item No.	Region and Project	CPS 818/17 Condition	Comment	Outcome
	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Great Southern – Albany Ring Road Stage 2 and 3 (3a only)2. Midwest – Gascoyne - Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 Widening3. South West - Forrest Highway and Binningup Road Northbound Acceleration Lane		conditions 10(a) and 10(f) (items 1 and 3 of this table).	



3.5 OTHER OBSERVATIONS

In relation to Condition 5:

The rigour of documenting the avoidance and minimisation considerations that are required under Condition 5 is variable. Generally, the newer CARs cover these requirements more comprehensively than the older ones.

It is suggested that MRWA consider a more standardised approach to ensuring that the CAR documents explicit consideration of the principles, alternatives and why alternatives are not viable - as defined in the condition.

In relation to Condition 6 (b):

Condition 6 (b) requires that applicable policies and planning instruments are considered. The CAR document contains a list of the potentially applicable policies and planning instruments but lacks explicit documentation as to consideration given the application of any particular policy or planning instrument or whether they are not applicable.

It is suggested that MRWA consider a more structured approach in CAR documentation to identify if any of policies and planning instruments apply and in what way.

In relation to Condition 10:

Condition 10 is detailed (provisions (a) to (g)) and addresses the risk of spreading dieback, other soil pathogens and weeds. It differentiates the requirements for land managed for conservation purposes from other land uses. In implementation, the reports and plans do not necessarily use standardised terminology and approach to apply controls to reduce the risk of introducing dieback or weeds to protectable areas.

The condition includes a typographic error – “exist” should be “exit”. Review and simplification of condition 10 may assist in the next iteration of CPS818. Consideration could be given to outcome based provisions.

In relation to Condition 10 (f):

Weed is defined in CPS 818/17 in a definition that is broad and may lead to confusion as to the precise obligations that should apply in the field – depending on weeds present at the site vs “the area concerned”. Generally, road works do not have provision for cleaning machinery on arrival and rely on delivery of clean equipment. The definition and planning of requirements for internal movements of machinery on sections that may be protectable from those that have “weeds” are not clear.

Consideration should be given to a more detailed review and simplification of Condition 10 in the next iteration of CPS818. Either specific wording to ensure the requirement of the condition is clear, or moving to a more outcome-based regulatory approach may be considered.

4 CONCLUSION

4.1 SUMMARY OF KEY FINDINGS

Based on the evidence reviewed as part of the audit process, the environmental management practices applied to the clearing activities undertaken under CPS 818 during 1 January 2023 and 31 December 2024 for the selected projects have generally been well targeted and effective in meeting the implementation requirements of the CPS 818/17 conditions.

The process of self-assessment using the CAR is being adhered to and being applied to projects that only require a CDR. Some variability in the content and quality of CARs was noted (acknowledging that some of them were prepared several years prior to the actual clearing). Ensuring that all CARs provide adequate and clear information to enable assessment of compliance against the conditions of CPS 818/17 is considered a key requirement for quality outcomes and clear audit outcomes.

As a screening tool to assess the application of this clearing permit vs other approval pathways for permitting clearing, the CPS 818/17 defined process appears to be generally well implemented. The CARs reviewed provided evidence that assessment against the clearing principles is occurring and enabling the application of systematic management processes for the MRWA smaller scale road projects.

The requirements of CPS818/17 are complex to read with many cross-references and linkages. A more outcome-based approach to managing and monitoring (as is being used under other parts of the EP Act) may be simpler to understand and implement.

4.2 COMPLIANCE ASSESSMENT

The audit reveals that 864 items (98%) of the 880 evaluated applicable obligations were assessed as compliant (Table 5 above). Five non-compliances (1%) were identified. A total of 1,056 (55%) of the obligations were not applicable due to the low complexity of the clearing activities, timing of the revegetation, rehabilitation or monitoring actions, or because offset exemptions were granted by DWER.

Observations were made for MRWA to consider in 11 (1%) items. Many of these are related to the same condition on multiple projects. All of these items were noted as observations because evidence of clean on entry practices was provided but no evidence of clean on exit practices.

No specific opportunities for improvement were identified. However, general observations are noted in Section 3.5.



GLOSSARY

Term	Definition
C	Compliance
CAR	Compliance Assessment Report
CDR	Clearing Desktop Report
CEMP	Construction Environmental Management Plan
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CPS 818	Clearing Permit CPS 818
CPS 818/17	Version 17 of Clearing Permit CPS 818
DBCA	Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions
DMP	Dieback Management Plan
DWER	Department of Water and Environmental Regulation
EP Act	<i>Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)</i>
GEH	Great Eastern Highway
ha	Hectare
MRWA	Main Roads Western Australia
N/A	Not applicable
NC	Non-Compliance
OB	Observation
OFI	Opportunity for Improvement
PEMRs	Principal Environmental Management Requirements
Preston Consulting	Preston Consulting Pty Ltd
RFE	Request for Evidence
SLK	Straight Line Kilometre
VMP	Vegetation Management Plan
WA	Western Australia





APPENDICES

Appendix 1: Project Selection Tables

Appendix 2: MRWA letter with risk-based selection methodology

Appendix 3: Audit Tables

Appendix 4: DWER / MRWA email confirming risk-based methodologies





APPENDIX 1: PROJECT SELECTION TABLES

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APPENDIX 2: MRWA LETTER WITH RISK-BASED SELECTION METHODOLOGY

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APPENDIX 4: DWER / MRWA EMAIL CONFIRMING RISK-BASED METHODOLOGYS

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Region name: Goldfields - Esperance

Year Clearing Was Conducted	EOS Project Number	Project Name	Clearing Area Approved (ha)	Actual Area Cleared (ha)	Variance To Clearing Principles	Was clearing included in MRWA internal audit?	Assessment Report (CDR or CAR)	Revegetation Records Required	Vegetation Management Plan Required	Dieback Management Plan Required	Offset Records Required
2024	2249	South Coast Highway Shoulder Widening SLK 468.85 to 469.51	0.75	0.6055	Yes (a, b, d, f)	N/A	CAR D24#833203	N/R	Y	Y	Y
2023	1188	Bromus material Pit	53.3	28.01	Not Likely (a, b, c, e, g, h, I, j)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	577	Goldfields Highway Wiluna to Meekatharra PortLink Project	2.18	1.77	Not Likely (g)	Y	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	3293	Pacific Energy Wind Turbine Blade Transport	0.129	0.129	Not Likely (g)	N/A	CDR D24#379883	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	1041	Ghooli Realignment and Reconstruction Stage 2	7.52	7.19	Not Likely (a, b, g, I, j)	N/A	CAR D25#192408	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2507	Leonora Laverton Rd Material Pits	61.2	3.24	Not Likely (a, b, g, h, I)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2503	Goldfields Hwy Material Pits	245.4	21.72	Not Likely (a, b, c, g)	N	CAR	Required - records will be available in relevant timeframe	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	577	Goldfields Highway Wiluna to Meekatharra PortLink Project - Package 3	6.918524	5.5001	N	N/A	CDR D24#287878	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	2507	Leonora Laverton Rd Material Pits SLK 53 - 76 (Pit 76)	61.2	6.3574	N	N/A	CAR D23#1240991	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R

Region name: Great Southern

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2023	1413	Albany Ring Road Stage 2 and 3	5.65	0.05	Y (b, f) Not likely (a, c, d, g, i) N (e, h, j)	N	CAR N/R to publish	N/R	Y	N/R	Exempt
2023	2903	Brookton Highway (H052) Tree and Barrier Removal (SLK 487)	0.05	0.05	Yes (f) Not Likely (b)	Y	CAR	N/R	N/R	Y	N/R
2023	1364	Bridge Replacement - Bridge 5023A, Jerramungup River	0.89	0.14	Not Likely (a, b, c, l)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2592	Albany Highway - Beattie Road Turning Treatments	0.35	0.07	Not Likely (e, f)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	1413	Albany Ring Road Stage 2 and 3	5.65	0.09	Not likely (a, b, c, d, e, g, i, j) N (f, h)	N	PCIA N/R to publish	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	1914	Gordon North - Albany Highway	0.01	0.01	N	Y	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/A	N/R

Region name: Kimberley

Year Clearing Was Conducted	EOS Project Number	Project Name	Clearing Area Approved (ha)	Actual Area Cleared (ha)	Variance To Clearing Principles	Was clearing included in MRWA internal audit?	Assessment Report (CDR or CAR)	Revegetation Records Required	Vegetation Management Plan Required	Dieback Management Plan Required	Offset Records Required
2024	1890	Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1 SLK 20-40 Material Areas	80	31.0924	Yes (f) Not Likely (a, b, g, I, j)	N/A	CAR D23#1043954	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	1890	Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1 Road Upgrade SLK 0-40	228	91.3318	May be (a) Not Likely (b, g, i, j) N (c, d, e, f, h)	N/A	CAR D22#1129438	Y	Y	N/R	N/R
2023	1890	Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1	30	22.31	Yes (f) Not Likely (a, b, g, I, j)		CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	1890	Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1	80	4.74	Yes (f) Not Likely (a, b, g, I, j)		CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	1890	Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1	22	2	Yes (f) Not Likely (a, b, g, I, j)		CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	3172	Design & Construct Four Heavy Vehicle Rest Areas (HVRA) GNH	8.2	5.2	Yes (f) Not Likely (a, g, h, i)	N/A	CAR D25#481918	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	3285	New Brooking Channel Bridge	10	4.57	Yes (f) Not Likely (a, b)	N/A	CDR D24#436872	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	3451	Little Bridge & Maralla Creek Floodway Upgrades	1.06	0.8246	Y (f) <0.5 Not likely (a, b, g, i, j) N (c, d, e, h)	N/A	CDR D25#481426	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	1890	Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1	22	1.6962	Y (f) <0.5	N/A	CAR D22#887254	N/R	N/A	N/R	N/R
2023	1890	Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1	228	51.62	May be (a) Not Likely (b, g, I, j)		CAR	N/R	Y	N/R	Exempt
2024	1890	Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1 SLK 0-20 Materials	30	3.3822	Y (f) Not Likely (a, b, g, I, j)	N/A	CAR D22#1054459	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2958	New Fitzroy River Bridge	38.23	12.43	N	Y	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2788	Kimberley Bridge Replacement Project (Frog Hollow)	5.6	1	Not Likely (a, b, g, I, j)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2788	Kimberley Bridge Replacement Project	13	1.4	Not Likely (a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, I, j)	N	PCIA N/R to publish	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2219	Trochus Hatchery Access Road Upgrade	1.61	1.23	Not Likely (a)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R

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2023	2958	New Fitzroy River Bridge - Eastern Bank	1.34	0.829	N	N/A	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	1890	Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1 SLK 27 Bore Investigation	1.5	0.4118	Not Likely (i) N (a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, j)	N/A	CAR D23#1043918	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	3303	Broome Cape Leveque Road 163-207 Drainage Improvements	6.2	0.82	Not likely (g, i) N (a, b, c, d, e, f, h, j)	N/A	CAR D25#481030	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	2597	Banana Wells Gravel Pits (north and south)	4.64	4.64	Not Likely (a, b, c, g, i)	N/A	CAR D25#479886	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	3410	Blina East / West LCSW	66.916514	40.9788	N	N/A	CDR D24#941134	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R

Region name: Metropolitan

Year Clearing Was Conducted	EOS Project Number	Project Name	Clearing Area Approved (ha)	Actual Area Cleared (ha)	Variance To Clearing Principles	Was clearing included in MRWA internal audit?	Assessment Report (CDR or CAR)	Revegetation Records Required	Vegetation Management Plan Required	Dieback Management Plan Required	Offset Records Required
2023	1969	Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening and Smart Freeway Hester to Warwick	0.34	0.054	Yes (a,b,d)	N	CAR	Yes	Y	Y	Y
2023	1141	Thomas and Nicholson Road Roundabout Construction	0.49	0.49	Yes (f) Not Likely (b, e, h, i)	Y	CAR	N/R	N/R	Y	N/R
2023	1543	Thomas and Kargotich Road Intersection	0.3	0.3	Yes (f) Not Likely (a, b, c, e, l, j)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	1969	Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening and Smart Freeway Hester to Warwick	0.04	0.001	Yes (a,b,d)	N	CAR	N/R	Y	N/R	N/R
2024	1969	Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening and Smart Freeway Hester to Warwick	2.4	0.294	Not Likely (a, b, e, h, j)	N/A	CAR D20#713066	N/R	N/R	Y	N/R
2023	1969	Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening and Smart Freeway Hester to Warwick	2.4	0.47	N	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	1867	Great Eastern Highway Bypass Interchanges	0.26	0.26	N	Y	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	1969	Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening and Smart Freeway Hester to Warwick	0.1	0.06	N	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	1969	Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening and	0.52	0.009	N	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	No	N/R
2024	1808	Swan River Crossings (Bracks Street)	0.54	0.54	Not Likely (b, g)	N/A	CDR D24#862509	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	1135	Great Northern Highway Rutland Road Intersection	0.09	0.09	Not Likely (a, b)	N/A	CDR D24#1059924	N/R	N/R	Y	N/R
2024	3105	Byron Level Crossing Closure- South Western Hwy Intersection Upgrades	0.03	0.03	N	N/A	CDR D23#1364289	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R

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2024	1808	Swan River Crossings (Serive Relocation)	0.25	0.015	Not Likely (a, b, e, f, g, h, l, j)	N/A	CDR D24#850099	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	1969	Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening and Smart Freeway Hester to Warwick	0.52	0.001	Not Likely (a, b, d, l)	N/A	CAR D25#242846	N/R	Y	N/R	N/R

Region name: Mid West- Gascoyne

Year Clearing Was Conducted	EOS Project Number	Project Name	Clearing Area Approved (ha)	Actual Area Cleared (ha)	Variance To Clearing Principles	Was clearing included in MRWA internal audit?	Assessment Report (CDR or CAR)	Revegetation Records Required	Vegetation Management Plan Required	Dieback Management Plan Required	Offset Records Required
2024	2359	Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 Widening	73.64	72.37	Yes (f) May be (a) Not Likely (b, e)	N/A	CAR D23#939047	N/R	Y	Y	Exempt
2024	1050	GNH 568 SLK Material Pit	90	22.9	Yes (f)	N/A	CAR D17#762433	Y	Y	N/R	Exempt
2024	2492	Bridge 798 Replacement	1.71	0.89	Yes (f) Not Likely (a, b, c, e, g, h, I, j)	N/A	CDR D24#369546	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	2644	Geraldton Mt Magnet Rd - Materials Pit 154 SLK LHS	100	10	Not Likely (a, b, c, e, g, h, I, j)	N/A	CAR D23#873677	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	1857	Mt Magnet Leinster 138.3 SLK Material Pit	154	6	Not likely (a, b, c, g, i, j) N (d, e, f, h)	N/A	CAR D20#7181	Y	Y	N/R	N/R
2023	2467	Great Northern Highway 865 Materials Pit	89.1	13.4	Not Likely (a, b, g, I, j)		CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	735	Great Northern Highway Pit 1015 Expansion	10	3.4	Not Likely (a - j)		PCIA N/R to publish	Y	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2933	Kailis Viewing Event - Minilya-Exmouth Road	1.6	1.6	Not Likely (b, c, f, g, h, I, j)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2467	H006 GNH SLK 865 Materials Pit	89.1	1.2	Not Likely (a, b, g, I, j)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	211	Great Northern Highway Material Source Expansion	32.48	1	Not Likely (a - j)		CIA N/R to publish	Y	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2467	Great Northern Highway 865 Materials Pit	89.1	1	Not Likely (a, b, g, I, j)		CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2605	Indian Ocean Drive 251 Bore	1.2	0.655	Not Likely (a)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2257	North West Coastal Highway Truck Bay Upgrades 399.06, 451.87, 526.64 & 233.6	4.3	0.41	Not Likely (a, b, c, g, I, j)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2666	North West Coastal Highway Upgrade Parking Bay SLK 280.95	0.42	0.3	Not Likely (a, g)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2532	Indian Ocean Dr and Cervantes Rd Intersection	0.15	0.15	Not Likely (a, b, c, d, g, h, I, j)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	Yes	N/R
2023	2467	Great Northern Highway 865 Materials Pit	89.1	0.1	Not Likely (a, b, g, I, j)		CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R

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2023	2933	Kailis Viewing Event - Minilya-Exmouth Road	0.09	0.09	Not Likely (a - j)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2497	Great Northern Highway New Toilet Facilities (253.64 & 369.95 SLK)	0.02	0.0148	Not Likely (a, b, c, d, e, I, j)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	211	Great Northern Highway Material Source Expansion SLK 992.4	32.48	1.5	Not likely (a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j)	N/A	CAR D15#153059	Y	Y	N/R	N/R
2024	2965	Oakajee Industrial Estate	0.13	0.13	Not Likely (a, c, e, g)	N/A	CDR D24#334452	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R

Region name: Pilbara

Year Clearing Was Conducted	EOS Project Number	Project Name	Clearing Area Approved (ha)	Actual Area Cleared (ha)	Variance To Clearing Principles	Was clearing included in MRWA internal audit?	Assessment Report (CDR or CAR)	Revegetation Records Required	Vegetation Management Plan Required	Dieback Management Plan Required	Offset Records Required
2023	2514	Perdaman - Burrup Peninsula Rd Upgrade and Hearson Cove Rd Realignment	8.53	3.61	Yes (f) May be (a, b) Not Likely (g, h, i, j)	Y	CAR	N/R	Yes	N/R	Exempt
2024	2926	Lumsden Point and Pinga St Intersection and Acceleration Lane	12.03	5.5892	Y (f) Not Likely (a, b, c, g, i, j) N (d, e, h)	N/A	CAR D23#860377	N/R	Y	N/R	Exempt
2024	2514	Perdaman - Burrup Peninsula Rd upgrade and Hearson Cove Rd realignment	8.53	0.0073	Yes (f) May be (a, b) Not Likely (g, h, i, j)	N/A	CAR D22#14651	N/R	Y	N/R	Exempt
2024	1342	Great Northern Highway Overtaking Lanes 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 (Newman to Auski) Construction	149	26.2306	Not Likely (a, b, d, g, h, i, j)	N/A	CAR D22#517037	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	1813	Manuwarra Red Dog Highway Stage 4	3	0.04	N	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2045	Great Northern Highway Realignment Port Hedland Airport	55	55	Not Likely (a, b, g, i, j)	Y	PCIA	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	3319	NWCH (H007) Cheeditha intersection upgrade for waste removal	0.2983	0.2557	Not Likely (a)	N/A	CDR D24#1384659	N/R	N/R	N/R	No
2024	2514	Perdaman - Burrup Peninsula Rd and Hearson Cove Rd realignment Watermain Connection	0.006	0.007	N	N/A	CDR D24#1385461	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R

Region name: South West

Year Clearing Was Conducted	EOS Project Number	Project Name	Clearing Area Approved (ha)	Actual Area Cleared (ha)	Variance To Clearing Principles	Was clearing included in MRWA internal audit?	Assessment Report (CDR or CAR)	Revegetation Records Required	Vegetation Management Plan Required	Dieback Management Plan Required	Offset Records Required
2023	2556	Forrest Highway and Binningup Road Northbound Acceleration Lane	0.17	0.17	Yes (a, b, d) Not Likely (c, e, f, g, h, I, j)	Y	CAR	N/R	Y	Y	Y
2024	2445	Mandurah Estuary Bridge Duplication	0.12	0.105	Yes(f) May be (i) Not Likely (a, b, h)	N/A	CAR D24#729917	N/R	Y	N/R	Exempt
2024	2429	South Western Hwy (H009) - Brunswick to Roelands Reconstruction and Seal Widening	0.36	0.36	Yes (b) Not Likely (a, c, d, e, f, g, h, I, j)	N/A	CAR D24#610267	N/R	Y	N/R	Y
2024	1608	South Western Highway, south bound O/T lane	0.18	0.18	Yes (d)	N/A	CAR B19#8457	N/R	Y	Exempt	Exempt
2023	2251	Pinjarra Williams Road Widening 38.4 - 52.6 SLK	5.29	1.88	Yes (f) Not Likely (a, b, g, h, i)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	Y	N/R
2023	2251	Pinjarra Williams Road Widening 38.4 - 52.6 SLK	5.29	1.06	Yes (f) Not Likely (a, b, g, h, i)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	Y	N/R
2023	2837	Goodwood Road Upgrades 34.5 - 36.5 SLK	0.13	0.13	Not Likely (a, b, e, f, h)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	Y	N/R
2023	1936	Bussell Hwy Stage 2 - Hutton to Sabina - Second	0.6	0.01	Not Likely (a, b, c, e)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	Y	N/R
2023	2349	Bridge 3381 over Dawson Gully	0.1	0.1	Not Likely (a, b, c, d, e, f, g)	Y	CDR	N/R	N/R	Y	N/R
2023	2853	South Western Hwy Rooney's Bridge Widening	0.006	0.003	Not Likely (h)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	Y	N/R
2024	2887	Bridge 4823 Replacement	0.022	0.022	Not Likely (a - j)	N/A	CDR D25#126610	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R

Region name: Wheatbelt

Year Clearing Was Conducted	EOS Project Number	Project Name	Clearing Area Approved (ha)	Actual Area Cleared (ha)	Variance To Clearing Principles	Was clearing included in MRWA internal audit?	Assessment Report (CDR or CAR)	Revegetation Records Required	Vegetation Management Plan Required	Dieback Management Plan Required	Offset Records Required
2024	1772	GEH Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 3	5.43	0.66	Y (a) (e) (f) (h)	N/A	CAR D22#1212145	N/R	Y	N/R	Y
2024	2058	GEH Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 6	8.48	4.28	Y (e) (f)	N/A	CAR D22#1210809	N/R	Y	N/R	Y
2023	1775	Great Eastern Highway - Walgoolan to Southern Cross	17	16.4607	Yes (a, e, f, h) Not Likely (b, c, g, i, j)	Y	CAR	N/R	Yes	N/R	N/R
2023	2351	Bridge 0277, 0278, 0279 and 0280 Replacements	9.49	0.1123	Yes (f) Not Likely (b, e, g)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2351	Bridge 0277, 0278, 0279 and 0280 Replacements	9.49	0.061	Yes (f) Not Likely (b, e, g)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2351	Bridge 0277, 0278, 0279 and 0280 Replacements	9.49	0.0829	Yes (f) Not Likely (b, e, g)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	2978	Tranche 6/7 Northam Cranbrook (M031) SLK 82.37 - 86.40 Widening and Rehabilitation.	0.000598	0.1107	Y (f) <0.5	N/A	CAR D24#1323014	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/A
2024	2248	GEH Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 8	13.2	1.97	Y (f) <0.5	N/A	CAR D24#1326469	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	2351	Bridge 0277, 0278, 0279 and 0280 Replacements - Bridge 0277	9.49	0.015	Y (f) <0.5	N/A	CAR D24#429014	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	2351	Bridge 0277, 0278, 0279 and 0280 Replacements - Bridge 0279	9.49	0.11	Y (f) <0.5	N/A	CAR D24#429014	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	1775	Great Eastern Highway - Walgoolan to Southern Cross	0.08	0.06	Not Likely (b, c, e, g, h, I, j)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2990	Toodyay Road Upgrade - Western Power Relocations	0.052	0.052	Not Likely (a, b, c, g, h, I, j)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	Y	N/R
2024	3095	GEH-Parker Range Road Intersection Upgrade	2.59	2.2737	N	N/A	CAR D24#1328058	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	3201	H052 Brookton Hwy 315 SLK Intersection Upgrade	0.41	0.41	N	N/A	CDR D24#1324025	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	826	Bridge 0597 Upgrade	0.78	0.48	Not Likely (a, b, e)	Y	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/A	N/R
2023	2454	Bridge 4046 - Replacement	0.48	0.4116	Not Likely (a, b, c, e, g, h, I, j)	Y	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	828	Bridges 775, 776, 778 Replacement	0.52	0.09	Not Likely (a, b, e, I, j)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/A	N/R
2023	2531	Bridges 0762, 0765 and 1051 Replacement	0.16	0.079	Not Likely (a, b, e, I, j)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2939	Narrogin Kondinin Road Low Cost Shoulder Seal	0.0514	0.0514	N	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/A	N/R

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2023	2531	Bridges 0762, 0765 and 1051 Replacement	0.13	0.0507	Not Likely (a, b, e, I, j)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2641	Narrogin Kondinin Road Tranche 4 Widening	0.032	0.032	N	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	3265	Northam Cranbrook - Quellington Intersection	0.03	0.03	Not Likely (b)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	622	Great Northern Highway Bindoon Bypass North (Calingiri)	0.02	0.02	N	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	Y	N/R
2023	2648	Collie Lake King Road Widening	0.052	0.02	Not Likely (a, b, e, g)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2701	York Merredin Road Low Cost Seal Widening	0.02	0.02	N	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2824	York Merredin Road Low Cost Seal Widening	0.02	0.02	N	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2870	Maddock South Material Pit	0.013	0.013	Not Likely (a, b, c, d, e, g, I, j)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2613	Pithara Road Widening 27-45 SLK	3.41	0.0124	Not Likely (e, f, g, h)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2932	Quellington Road Sightline Clearing	0.011	0.01	N	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/A	N/R
2023	2122	Pithara Road - Bridge 0753 and 0754 Replacement and Roadworks	0.1	0.004	N	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2674	Bridge 3125 Maintenance	0.009	0.0032	Not Likely (a - j)	N	CAR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2991	Williams Narrogin Highway - Tree removal	0.0016	0.0016	N	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2023	2929	Toodyay Road SLK 32.68 Telstra Relocation	0.0004	0.0004	Not Likely (a, b, g, I, j)	N	CDR	N/R	N/R	Y	N/R
2024	1615	Bridge 0637 (Goomalling)	0.25	0.15	N	N/A	CDR D19#583668	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	825	Bridge 541 Replacement	0.6063	0.144	N	N/A	CAR D24#1344617	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	2463	Northam Cranbrook (M031) Widening Tranche 6a - SLK 45 - 65	0.05	0.05	N	N/A	CAR D24#1324557	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/A
2024	826	Bridge 0597 Upgrade	0.78	0.041	N	N/A	CDR D24#432671	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	3409	M016 Goomalling Merredin Road / Allen Rd sightline clearing	0.03	0.03	N	N/A	CDR D24#901580	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	2944	M031 Northam Cranbrook 67.59-82.37 SLK Tranche 6/7	0.028	0.028	N	N/A	CDR D23#231216	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R

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2024	3317	M038 Narrogin Kondinin Road / Sprigg Road - Sightline clearing	0.025	0.025	N	N/A	CDR D24#513864	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	2704	Midlands Road Low Cost Seal Widening	0.024	0.024	N	N/A	CDR D24#1249848	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	1775	GEH Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 4B and 5	0.08	0.02	N	N/A	CAR D24#432795	N/R	N/R	N/R	No
2024	3080	GEH Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 4B and 5 - Telstra	0.02	0.02	N	N/A	CDR D23#533974	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	2945	M031 Northam Cranbrook 88.7-92.7 SLK Tranche 6/7	0.017	0.017	N	N/A	CDR D23#295271	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	1775	GEH Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 4B and 5 - Offshoot drain	0.01	0.01	N	N/A	CDR D24#1323188	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	2676	Bridge 4202 Maintenance	0.0089	0.0089	N	N/A	CAR D21#1199728	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	3488	Brian Woods Pit Spoil Relocation	0.001	0.001	N	N/A	CDR D24#1053351	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	3061	Northam Pithara Road LCSS 46 to 92.80 SLK	0.005	0.0005	N	N/A	CDR D24#1266351	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
2024	2722	Bridge 4196 Mortlock River (Tyndall Rd) Substructure Repairs	0.0023	0.0002	N	N/A	CDR D22#544440	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R



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31 January 2024

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CPS 818/17 COMPLIANCE WITH CONDITION 15: INTERNAL AUDITING

I refer to Main Roads Western Australia's (Main Roads') state-wide Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 (the permit). This permit was granted by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (the department) under section 51KA of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (EP Act) on 9 November 2023.

Condition 15 of the permit requires internal audits to be undertaken to determine Main Roads' compliance with the conditions of the permit. Condition 15(c) requires the internal auditor to use "a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO".

To satisfy Condition 15(c), Main Roads has developed a comprehensive and replicable approach to select an appropriate sample size and the types of projects to audit, with a particular emphasis on the requirements listed in Condition 15(a), namely:

- (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared;
- (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed;
- (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented, and;
- (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.

Given most of the above requirements effectively apply only to projects that are "at variance" or "may be at variance" with one or more of the ten clearing principles, projects that were "at variance"/"may be at variance", with one or more of the clearing principles will be targeted for auditing. Although "at variance"/"may be at variance" projects will be prioritised for auditing, at least one "not a variance project"/"not likely to be at variance" will also be audited for each region.

Risk-based Selection Framework

In accordance with Main Roads' ISO 9001 certified quality management system, audits are undertaken across every directorate within the organisation in line with the Integrated Management System (IMS) Audit and Review Procedure. This procedure details the process of conducting internal desktop audits including the selection of projects based on risk and the number of sites to select.



The IMS Audit and Review Procedure describes the framework that is applied when selecting the projects to internally audit under CPS 818. In addition to the requirements listed above in Condition 15(a), internal auditors must also consider:

- a) date, region, scope and duration of the project;
- b) relevant approval requirements and reference material (i.e. is the clearing at variance to the Clearing Principles and other environmental sensitivities);
- c) adequacy and availability of project personnel to assist with the audit; and,
- d) previous and relevant environmental audit findings.

Appropriate Sample Size

The methodology to determine an appropriate sample size to be internally audited will be based on the number of "at variance"/"may be at variance" and "not at variance"/ "not likely to be at variance" projects that were delivered in the region in the calendar year.

Main Roads proposes that the total number of projects to be audited for each region will be determined using the following calculations:

- at least 20 per cent of the region's "at variance"/"may be at variance" projects; plus
- approximately ten per cent of "not at variance"/"not likely to be at variance" projects.

For example, if a region cleared 16 "at variance"/"may be at variance" projects, and 22 "not at variance"/"not likely to be at variance" projects within a calendar year, a total of six projects (four plus two) will be audited.

After the sample size for each region is calculated, all eight Main Roads regions will be added together to get the total internal audit sample size for that calendar year.

The methodology has been cross checked based on the projects that were cleared under CPS 818 in each region in 2021 and 2022. A total of 14 and 16 projects, respectively, would have been internally audited using those datasets. It should be noted that the proposed methodology would have required a greater number of audits being conducted than the previously applied methodology under CPS 818/15, where a total of eight (one project per region) audits were undertaken each year.

As per Condition 15(c) of the permit, Main Roads is required to consult with you regarding how the sample size of projects to be audited was determined. Accordingly, please respond by 1 March 2024 if you have any concerns or comments on the methodology proposed to be used to identify the audit sample size. If you have any further enquiries regarding this, please contact Paul West on (08) 9323 4742 or email paul.west@mainroads.wa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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CPS 818/17 External Audit

Goldfields-Esperance Region

Project:
South Coast Highway Shoulder Widening SLK 468.85 to 469.51

Approved clearing area:
0.75 ha

Year:
2024

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	58
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		58
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	30
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2023 - Clearing Assessment Report (CAR) - CPS 818 - South Coast Highway Shoulder Widening SLK 468.85 to 469.51 - South Coast Highway H008 Goldfields-Esperance Region - 2249 - D23#360523 - June - 2023 (CAR (MRWA, 2023)). Section 1.1 Purpose and Justification, Section 1.2 Proposal Scope.</p> <p>Section 1.2 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) states "Proposal Scope. South Coast Hwy sectional widening and sealing at SLK 468.85 to SLK 469.51. The scope includes the construction of new pavement to accommodate an additional, 3.5m traffic lane and a 2 m shoulder widening at both intersections of SCH/Bukenerup Rd and SCH/Collier Rd."</p> <p>These items align with the activities listed in Condition 1(a)(xvii) and (xviii).</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5, Principle (a) states "The Development Envelope is located wholly within the existing road reserve cadastre that contains South Coast Highway."	C
3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii), (iv) Proposal was not referred under Part IV of the EP Act or under the EPBC Act.	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C

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7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	Clearing under CPS 818 Attachment 1: Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2024 (CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025)). (https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/). MRWA reported a total of 19.78 ha cleared within the Metropolitan area in 2024. Goldfields - Esperance Regional Clearing Limit is 200 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts, Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development and Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts, Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department's "A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.7 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C

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13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2022) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C
14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 1.4 of the CAR indicates 0.75 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) Shapefiles of proposed clearing were provided; (v) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) Section 8, Table 5 states "Dieback will be managed during construction through a CEMP with specific management requirements."	C
15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	The proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b), (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C

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16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b), (d) and (f), and is more than 0.5 ha as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	The proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b), (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). Environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department's "A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles states "each principle has been assessed in accordance with DWER's 'A Guide to the Assessment of Applications to Clear Native Vegetation'".	C

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20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	(i) The proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b), (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). Section 3 of the CAR includes biological surveys; (ii) N/A as clearing is not at variance with principle (e); (iii) Section 3 of the CAR refers to a dieback survey. A copy of the survey report was provided. Reference: 'Phytophthora Dieback Management Plan: South Coast Highway - Bukenerup to Collier Road - Report prepared for MRWA - Prepared by: Southern Ecology - December 2022; (iv) N/A as per CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5, Principle (f); (v) no additional surveys were required.	C
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b), (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). Biological survey was referred and summarised within CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 3 Summary of Surveys.	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 3 indicates that two surveys were conducted for the project. A copy of the survey documents were provided and are referenced as: * South Coast Hwy Biological Survey SLK 371.5 – 380, 392.9 – 403 and 466.7 – 474.44 - Report prepared for MRWA - Prepared by: Southern Ecology. Damien Rathbone, Dr Gillian Craig & Dr Sandra Gilfillan - August 2018. * 'Phytophthora Dieback Management Plan: South Coast Highway - Bukenerup to Collier Road - Report prepared for MRWA - Prepared by: Southern Ecology - December 2022.	C

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23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	The Biological survey report (Southern Ecology, 2018) indicates that vegetation assessment was conducted in accordance with technical guidance (EPA, 2016). IBSA Submissions Number: IBSA-2023-0289	C
24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	The Biological survey report (Southern Ecology, 2018) indicates that vegetation assessment was conducted in accordance with technical guidance (EPA, 2016). IBSA Submissions Number: IBSA-2023-0289	C
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	The environmental assessment includes production of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C

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26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	<p>The Assessment Report must set out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit. 	<p>The CAR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(i), where applicable. The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Compliance as per condition 6(d); (ii) Compliance as per condition 7(c); (iii) Section 5 of the CAR; (iv) Appendix 1 of the CAR. VMP was approved by DWER as per correspondence letter from: DWER (Jessica Burton, A/manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - to: MRWA (Peter Bouteloup, Environment Contractor) - Subject: Clearing Permit CPS 818/16 - Bukenerup Road and Collier Rd intersections - shoulder widening, South Coast Highway - Approval of CAR, VMP and offset proposal - dated: 18/09/2023 (DWER Approval letter (DWER, 2023)). (v) Section 8, Table 5 of the CAR states that "An offset proposal for approval by DWER has been prepared". Ref: MRWA - 2023 - Offset Proposal – Financial Contributions - South Coast Highway Shoulder Widening SLK 468.85 to 469.51 South Coast Highway H008 Goldfields-Esperance Region 2249 - D23#519514 - June 2023 (Offset Proposal (MRWA, 2023)). 	C
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	<p>Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.</p>	<p>The proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b), (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). A VMP is included as Appendix 1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).</p>	C

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	<p>Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Purpose and Scope sections of the VMP; (ii) Action section and Tables 1 to 9 of the VMP; (iii) Responsibilities section of the VMP; (iv) Tables 1 - 9 of the VMP. Tables divide the Standard Management Requirements into pre works, during works and post works. (v) The VMP does not include a monitoring and maintenance program. However, monitoring actions have been included within the standard PEMRs. The VMP includes a requirement for monitoring and it refers to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Specification 204 Environmental Management •Construction Environmental Management Plan • Superintendent's Contract Management Plan & Environmental Measurement and Evaluation Checklist. (vi) The VMP does not specifically include actions to be taken in the event of NC. However, it includes a requirement for auditing and this refers to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specification 204 Environmental Management • Superintendent's Contract Management Plan & Environmental Measurement and Evaluation Checklist.' (vii) N/A as per condition 9(a). <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring and non-compliance, as required under items (v) and (vi) of this condition.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p>	C
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 8(b).	N/A

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30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	Assessment Report was approved on 18/09/2023 as per correspondence letter from DWER RE: Clearing Permit CPS 818/16. Bukenerup Road and Collier Rd intersections. Shoulder widening, South Coast Highway. Approval of clearing assessment report, vegetation management plan and offset proposal - From: Jessica Burton (DWER A/Manager native vegetation regulation) - To: Peter Bouteloup (MRWA Environment Contractor) - Dated: 18/09/23 (CPS 818 Approval letter (DWER, 2023)).	C
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 7 states "Main Roads has undertaken stakeholder consultation in accordance with CPS 818 Condition 8". CAR Section 8, Table 5 states "Submissions sought for 21 days. Submissions invited from relevant parties, including the Local Government Activity (LGA), the owner or occupier of the land and other stakeholders in accordance with Condition 8 of CPS 818."	C

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32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	(i) MRWA internal correspondence email from: Rita Beric (Acting Digital Communications Manager) - To: Tiffany George (Environment and Heritage) - Subject: Evidence of publishing CAR on the external website - Dated: 6/10/2025. Email confirms that the CAR was published for during the submission period (16/06/23 to 11/07/23). (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8, Table 5 states "Submissions sought for 21 days. Submissions invited from relevant parties, including the Local Government Activity (LGA), the owner or occupier of the land and other stakeholders in accordance with Condition 8 of CPS 818." Correspondence email from MRWA (Omar Al Sadi, Project Manager Development) - to: the Shire of Esperance (Mathew Walker, Director Asset Manager) - subject: South Coast Hwy- Bukenerup and Collier Roads Intersection- Road Upgrades - dated: 1/06/23.	C
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b), (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b), (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A	N/A
36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) was published during the submission period, between 16/06/23 and 11/07/23. The CAR addresses most of the requirements specified under condition 8(e), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) CAR (MRWA, 2023) link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49ec9a/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2025/goldfields-esperance/2249-south-coast-highway-shoulder-widening-slk-468.85-to-469.51-cps-annual-clearing-report-2024.pdf (ii) Section 1.6, Table 1 of the CAR; (iii) Section 3 of the CAR; (iv) Rehabilitation and revegetation are not applicable as per condition 9. Approval of an offset of a monetary contribution was granted within CPS 818 Approval letter (DWER, 2023); (v) Instructions are on the MRWA website. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/proposed-clearing/	C
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) is publicly available on the MRWA website and addresses most of the requirements specified under condition 8(e), where applicable.	C

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38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8, Table 5 states "Submissions sought for 21 days. Submissions invited from relevant parties, including the LGA, the owner or occupier of the land and other stakeholders in accordance with Condition 8 of CPS 818." MRWA internal correspondence email from: Rita Beric (Acting Digital Communications Manager) - To: Tiffany George (Environment and Heritage) - Subject: Evidence of publishing CAR on the external website - Dated: 6/10/2025. Email confirms that the CAR was published for during the submission period (16/06/23 to 11/07/23).	C
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	MRWA internal correspondence email from: Rita Beric (Acting Digital Communications Manager) - To: Tiffany George (Environment and Heritage) - Subject: Evidence of publishing CAR on the external website - Dated: 6/10/2025. Email states that no submissions were received during the submission period.	C
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as clearing was approved on 18/09/2023 as per CPS 818 Approval letter (DWER, 2023).	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A as clearing was approved on 18/09/2023 as per CPS 818 Approval letter (DWER, 2023).	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works.	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by: (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including; (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	<p>Proposal is within a Region that has rainfall greater than 400mm and is South of the 26th parallel.</p> <p>Cleaning measures prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared are stated in CAR (MRWA, 2023), Appendix 1. VMP.</p> <p>Carey - Weed and Seed Form CG-HSEQ-FRM-0039 - Equipment Hygiene Inspection Certificate. Copies of hygiene checklists were provided as evidence of implementation. Forms provided were dated between March and April 2024.</p> <p>A copy of a daily diary register was provided. Reference: MRWA - Plant and Labour Site Daily Diary - CONTRACT NUMBER: 0052/23 - CONTRACT TITLE: South Coast Highway SLK468.850 to SLK469.510 Bukenerup Road and Collier Road Intersections Upgrade - CONTRACTOR: CAREYMC SUPERINTENDENT: Dave King - SUPERINTENDENT'S REPRESENTATIVE: Washington Matsokotere - CONTRACT SURVEILLANCE OFFICER: Bruce McGowan - dated 15/03/24.</p> <p>Register stated: "Muching all completed and washdown completed before de-mobing", demonstrating clean on exit practices.</p>	C

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52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	<p>This measure is included within the CAR (MRWA, 2023), Appendix 1. VMP and within the Dieback Management Plan of the project.</p> <p>A copy of the Minutes of Post Award-Initial Site Meeting No.1: C0052/23 South Coast Highway SLK468.850 to SLK469.510 Bukenerup Road and Collier Road Intersections Upgrade, dated 8/02/2024, was provided. The minutes indicated that pavement material is to be sourced from Esperance Earthworks. It also stated that the Contractor is to provide pavement material & aggregate test certificates before commencing works.</p>	C
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2023) states that works are necessary in 'Other than dry conditions'. However, the vegetation to be cleared is not located in or adjacent to any conservation reserves or lands managed by DBCA.	N/A

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54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log. 	<p>The Dieback Management Plan for the project (Dieback MP) addresses most of the requirements specified under condition 10(d), where applicable. The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Section 2.2, Figure 1. Project Location and Dieback Mapping. Figure 2. Vegetation Clearing within Development Envelope. (ii) Table 1. Bukenerup Road and Collier Road Intersections Upgrade - Dieback Management Operational Controls. (iii) Two photos of dieback demarcation areas were provided. Photos details indicate that the photos were taken in Collier Rd on 12/03/24 and in South Coast Hwy on 12/03/24. (iv) Clean on entry points are shown in Figure 3: Dieback Management Map. (v) Clean on exit points were not included in dieback MP. However, evidence of clean on exit practices was provided, as per condition 10(a). (vi) Access restrictions are not established on the Dieback MP. However, similar measures are established in Table 3 of the project's CEMP and CAR. (vii) This measure is included in Table 1 of the Dieback MP. (viii) OB. Evidence of dieback actions implemented was provided, including the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hygiene checklists as per condition 10(a); - Dieback demarcation maps; - Photos showing dieback sign post before entering to dieback infested area; - Photos showing the clearing limit pegged; and - Daily diaries from 5, 13, 14 and 15 March 2024. 	C

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55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8 marked 'No' to the item stating: "Main Roads has been notified by DWER or an environmental specialist that the area to be cleared is susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback."	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	These measures are stated in CAR (MRWA, 2023), Appendix 1. VMP, Table 2: Dieback Management PEMR. (i) C as per condition 10(a); (ii) C as per condition 10(b); (iii) C as per condition 10(d)(vi).	C
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8 marked 'No' to the item stating: "Weeds are likely to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition".	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	The proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b), (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). An offset proposal (MRWA, 2023) was prepared in June 2023. Clearing started on 14/03/2024. CPS 818 Approval letter (DWER, 2023) did not approve Offset Proposal (MRWA, 2023). A monetary contribution to the offset fund was approved by DWER within this letter. Monetary contribution was paid as per DWER receipt No.: RR035924 - Date: 10/10/2023 - Debtor Id: 60026.	C

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59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	Reference to the WA environmental offsets policy and environmental offsets guidelines is within Section 2 of the Offset Proposal (MRWA, 2023).	C
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b), (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as a monetary contribution was approved instead of the offset proposal as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as a monetary contribution was approved instead of the offset proposal as per condition 11(a).	N/A
Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					

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63	12 (a)	Monitoring	<p>The Permit Holder must monitor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (iii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal. 	<p>(i) The monitoring actions in the VMP relate to water quality if turbidity or sedimentation, erosion monitoring during clearing, and visual monitoring of fauna presence.</p> <p>Correspondence emails to ensure clearing area limits align with pegging on site were provided.</p> <p>No evidence regarding monitoring of water quality, erosion or fauna presence was provided. It could be assumed that it was not required.</p> <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring which provides clear information about what monitoring is required.</p> <p>It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p> <p>(ii) N/A as per condition 9(a); (iii) N/A as per condition 11.</p>	C

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64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	<p>The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit:</p> <p>(a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit:</p> <p>(i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit;</p> <p>(ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit;</p> <p>(iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b);</p> <p>(iv) the location where the clearing occurred;</p> <p>(v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities;</p> <p>(vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile;</p> <p>(vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred;</p> <p>(viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and</p> <p>(ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.</p>	<p>(i) Section 1.6 of the CAR;</p> <p>(ii) CAR (MRWA, 2023);</p> <p>(iii) Only the Shire of Esperance was contacted, as per condition 8(a);</p> <p>(iv) and (vi) Shapefiles of the cleared area were provided;</p> <p>(v) Section 1.4 of the CAR;</p> <p>(vii) N/A;</p> <p>(viii) and (ix) CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates.</p>	C
65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	<p>In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit:</p> <p>(i) a description of management actions undertaken;</p> <p>(ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action;</p> <p>(iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and</p> <p>(iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.</p>	<p>Evidence of VMP actions implemented was provided, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hygiene checklists as per condition 10(a); - Dieback demarcation maps; - Photos showing dieback sign post before entering to dieback infested area; and - Photos showing the clearing limit pegged. <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) provides clear information about what management and monitoring actions will be implemented and what records will be kept.</p> <p>It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p>	C

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66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	(i) N/A as per condition 10(c). However, a dieback MP was prepared and provided as per condition 10(d); (ii) 'Figure 3. Dieback Management Map' of the dieback MP; (iii) Dieback management operational controls were established in Table 1 of the dieback MP. Some evidence records of implementation were provided as: - Hygiene checklists as per condition 10(a); - Photos showing dieback sign post before entering to dieback infested area; - Photos showing the clearing limit pegged; - Daily diaries from 5, 13, 14 and 15 March 2024; (iv) N/A as per condition 10(e); (v) Compliant as condition 10(f). Condition 10(g) is N/A.	C

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68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i), (ii) Compliant as per condition 11(a); (iii) - (vii) N/A as a monetary contribution was approved instead of the offset proposal as per condition 11(a).	C
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C

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71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	MRWA website - CAR (MRWA, 2023) (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49ec9a/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2025/goldfields-esperance/2249-south-coast-highway-shoulder-widening-slk-468.85-to-469.51-cps-annual-clearing-report-2024.pdf). CAR was published on 13/06/24, as per MRWA internal correspondence email from: Digital Communications Team - to: Sarah Sharman (Environmental Officer) - subject: RE: Request for website publication - Clearing Commenced (CPS 818) from Sarah Sharman - Uploaded dated: 13/06/24.	C

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74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) N/A as per condition 8(h); (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amounts of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted. (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	N/A as the 12 month period would be next year in June.	N/A
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as clearing was approved on 18/09/2023 as per CPS 818 Approval letter (DWER, 2023).	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A as clearing was approved on 18/09/2023 as per CPS 818 Approval letter (DWER, 2023).	N/A
78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C

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79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C
82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C

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84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A
87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23. Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.	C

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88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023.</p> <p>Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Great Southern Region

Project:
Albany Ring Road Stage 2 and 3

Approved clearing area:
5.65 ha

Year:
2023

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	46
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	3
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		49
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	39
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2020 - Assessment Report and Vegetation Management Plan - Albany Ring Road (ARR) Stage 3 Patricia Close to South Coast Highway - D20#721246 - November 2020 (CAR (MRWA, 2020)).</p> <p>Section 1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020) outlines that "MRWA is proposing to commence the construction and operation of Stage 3 of the ARR from Patricia Close to South Coast Highway."</p> <p>This activity aligns with the activity listed in condition 1(a)(i).</p> <p>Note. The project activity is referred as "ARR Stage 2 and 3" in the MRWA website - Attachment 1 Purpose Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2023 - retrieved from: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf (CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024)).</p> <p>While the CAR (MRWA, 2020) is applicable to Stage 3a Section 2 only.</p> <p>MRWA has confirmed that the scope of the clearing is the one documented in the CAR.</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	<p>CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 2.3.1 states "the survey area intersects shire reserves, private property and road reserves mainly to the west of the City of Albany and is centred on Link Rd, South Coast Highway, George St, Lower Denmark Rd and Albany Port Rd".</p> <p>MRWA has advised the following: The statutory powers in the Act do provide for clearing native vegetation in connection with road-network or road-related works, so as long as those works are within or connected to the functions of the Commissioner.</p> <p>The key points to this are: * The Commissioner may clear vegetation that is necessary for road works or road infrastructure or associated works, because these are within the scope of the functions in section 15B(1)(a), (b), (c), (f). * The Commissioner's functions are not strictly limited to lands owned by the Commissioner or the Crown; works can be done on behalf of other government agencies, local governments, or authorities, and on alienated and crown land.</p> <p>Accordingly, for project activities that are road-related (i.e. works for highways, main roads, other roads, extracting road building materials, traffic infrastructure, etc.), the Commissioner holds power to clear native vegetation to the extent such clearing is required.</p>	C

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3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) Section 1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020) states that the proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles, however it is at variance to principles (b) and (f) and not at variance to the remaining principles. (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii) Section 7 of the CAR states "The Project was referred to the WA EPA in early 2020 and determined to not require assessment." (iv) MRWA advised that the project was not referred to DCCEEW.	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	(iii) CAR Appendix A: EPA Correspondence regarding assessment states "Proposal not to be assessed under Part IV of the EP Act", and that the appeals period closed on the 10th of August 2020.	N/A

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5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	<p>ARR Stage 3a was referred to the EPA in early 2020, which determined that the Project did not require assessment under Part IV of the EP Act. Public Advice was provided by the EPA under section 39A(7) on 3/02/2020. Recommendations established in the Public Advice seemed to be addressed under Section 5.1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020).</p> <p>The EPA recommendations also included dual-use culverts and completion of the Aboriginal Heritage surveys.</p> <p>Evidence of dual-use culverts was provided by MRWA, via a Google maps screenshot showing a dual-use culvert installed within the cleared area.</p> <p>MRWA advised that Aboriginal Heritage surveys were finalised. A copy of the report's front page was provided.</p> <p>The report reference is: Brad Goode & Associates Consulting Anthropologists & Archaeologists - Report on the Aboriginal Heritage Survey of Albany Ring Road Stages 2 to 4 (additional areas), Albany, Western Australia - A report prepared for MRWA - By: Mr Paul Greenfeld - Report submitted December 2019 to: Mr JJ McDermott Heritage Officer Planning and Technical Services MRWA - The Registrar Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage.</p>	C
6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	<p>MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).</p> <p>Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.</p>	C

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7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	<p>MRWA website - Attachment 1 Purpose Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2023 - retrieved from: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf (CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024)).</p> <p>The maximum annual clearing limit for the Great Southern region under CPS 818/17 is 75ha.</p> <p>The Clearing Register indicates that the total clearing for the region for 2023 equated to 0.41 ha (0.14 of which occurred on Stage 2 and 3 of the ARR).</p>	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.1 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Mitigate and Manage Project Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.1 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Mitigate and Manage Project Clearing Impacts.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.1 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Mitigate and Manage Project Clearing Impacts.	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department's "A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.3 Assessment against the Ten Clearing Principles.	C

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12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2020) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C
14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder's consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2020) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per condition 5(a), 5(b) and 5(c); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 1 of the CAR indicates 5.65 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) Shapefiles of proposed clearing were provided; (v) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5.3 of the CAR; (ix) (A), (B) Sections 5.1 and 7.	C
15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	CAR (MRWA, 2020).	C

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16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with clearing principles (b) and (f) and 5.65 ha of clearing is proposed.	N/A
17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	CAR (MRWA, 2020).	C
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 4.1 states "Further environmental assessment of the impacts of native vegetation clearing was undertaken including biological surveys and dieback survey, to delineate key environmental elements of the Project area."	C
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department's "A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.3 states that "Each principle has been assessed in accordance with DWER's 'A Guide to the Assessment of Applications to Clear Native Vegetation'."	C

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20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	(i) CAR (MRWA, 2020) Appendix B (Southern Ecology, 2020). (ii) N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with clearing principle (e); however Southern Ecology 2020 included vegetation and vegetation condition mapping (Figures 3 and 4). (iii) Southern Ecology 2020 included a vegetation assessment (Section 3.5) which considered presence of dieback, and dieback mapping of the project area (Figure 5). (iv) Southern Ecology 2020 identified wetland areas within the project area however CAR Appendix A (EPA correspondence) stated "Any changes to hydrological regimes are likely to be minor and localised to areas adjacent to the upgraded road". (v) no additional surveys were required.	C
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with clearing principles (b) and (f) and 5.65 ha of clearing is proposed.	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Appendix B (Southern Ecology, 2020) Section 3.1.	C
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance - Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	The Biological survey report (Southern Ecology, 2020; CAR Appendix B) states that "surveys were conducted in accordance with EPA Technical Guidance - Flora and Vegetation Surveys for Environmental Impact Assessment (EPA 2016a)". IBSA Submissions Number: IBSASUB-20230127-C4F6AF85	C

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24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	For clearing principle (b) the Guideline references EPA Guideline No. 56 for terrestrial fauna assessments. The Biological survey report (Southern Ecology, 2020; CAR Appendix B) states that "surveys were conducted in accordance with EPA Technical Guidance - Sampling methods for Terrestrial Vertebrate Fauna Surveys (EPA and DEC 2010)". IBSA Submissions Number: IBSASUB-20230127-C4F6AF85	C
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	CAR (MRWA, 2020).	C
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	(i) Compliant as per condition 6(d). (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2020) Appendix B (Southern Ecology, 2020). (iii) CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.3. (iv) CAR (MRWA, 2020) Appendices F, F1 and F2. VMP was approved by DWER as per correspondence letter from: DWER (Ryan Mincham - Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - To: MRWA (Gaynor Owen - Senior Environmental Officer) - Subject: Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - Albany Ring Road Stage 3A Patricia Close to South Coast Highway Project - Submission and Approval of Vegetation Management Plan and Exemption Requests - Dated: 3/12/2020 (DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2020)). (v) Offsets were exempt as per DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2020).	C
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	(i) CAR (MRWA, 2020) Appendix F.	C

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	<p>Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit. 	<p>The VMP, Appendix F of the CAR (MRWA, 2020), addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(k), where applicable. The following sections were noted with respect to the various requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Purpose and Scope section of the VMP; (ii) Appendices F1 and F2; (iii) Responsibilities section of the VMP (iv) Timeframes section of the VMP, Appendices F1 and F2; (v) The VMP does not include a monitoring and maintenance program. However, monitoring actions have been included within the Appendices F1 and F2. Appendix F1 also includes a requirement for monitoring and it refers to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Specification 204 Environmental Management Contract Tender Documents •Construction Environmental Management Plan (vi) The VMP does not specifically include actions to be taken in the event of NC. However, Appendix F1 includes a requirement for auditing and this refers to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Specification 204 Environmental Management Contract Tender Documents (vii) Appendix F2. <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring and non-compliance, as required under items (v) and (vi) of this condition.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p>	C
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 8(b).	N/A

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30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2020).	C
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	Not required. DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2020) states "I note that stakeholder consultation commenced in early 2019 for the wider Albany Ring Road project, and the Albany Ring Road Environmental Reference Group has been established for MRWA to undertake further consultation with key stakeholders on environmental matters. In accordance with condition 7(n), MRWA is not required to seek submissions from interested parties".	N/A
32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	(i) N/A as per condition 8(i). (ii) N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A

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33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with clearing principles (b) and (f).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with clearing principles (b) and (f) and 5.65 ha of clearing is proposed.	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 8 and Table 7.	N/A
36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	N/A as per condition 7(n) and condition 8 (j).	N/A
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	N/A as per condition 8(i).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 8(i).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2020) indicates that clearing was approved on 3/12/2020.	C

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41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2020) indicates that clearing was approved on 3/12/2020.	C
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as Section 1.1 and Table 6 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020) state that no clearing for temporary works is required. It was noted that Section 5.1 of the CAR states "Rehabilitation and revegetation using suitable native species in any areas disturbed during construction but not required for road and associated infrastructure."	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9 (a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9 (a).	N/A
46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9 (a).	N/A

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47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; <p>Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.</p>	N/A as per condition 9 (a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met. 	N/A as per condition 9 (a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).</p>	N/A as per condition 9 (a).	N/A
50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.</p>	N/A as per condition 9 (a).	N/A

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51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Table 6 states that the proposal is within a region that has rainfall greater than 400mm and is south of the 26th parallel and states that "while the risk is considered low, a Hygiene Management Plan will be developed for the project to prevent the risk of spread of weeds and pathogens". Three DECMIL - Plant Mobilisation / Demobilisation Forms were provided for machinery checked prior to entering the project area. OB relates to lack of evidence on clean on exit.	OB
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	This measure is established in the CAR (MRWA, 2020) Appendix F2. CEMP (DECMIL, 2020) states "Ensure imported materials are certified as free of weeds, pests and pathogens". MRWA verbally advised that no known dieback affected material was brought into the area. Compliant based on verbal evidence. It is noted that there is no dieback-free certification scheme for soil, mulch or fill established in WA. This makes it difficult to secure evidence of implementation.	C
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A - CAR (MRWA, 2020) Table 6 states that the project will not "require movement of soil in conditions other than dry conditions" and Section 5.3 states that the 'project does not intersect or occur within any DBCA managed areas'.	N/A

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54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log. 	N/A - CAR (MRWA, 2020) Table 6 states that the project will not "require movement of soil in conditions other than dry conditions".	N/A
55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen. 	N/A - CAR (MRWA, 2020) Table 6 states that MRWA have not "been notified by DWER or an environmental specialist that the area to be cleared is susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback".	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) OB as per condition 10(a); (ii) C as per condition 10(b); (iii) CEMP (DECMIL, 2020) Table 5 states "Clearing is to be restricted to only those areas where works are to be constructed. The extent of clearing of the road alignment must not exceed 0.5 m from the limit of earthworks unless approved by the Project Manager and the Main Roads Representative." 	OB

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57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	MRWA internal correspondence email from Jesse Olsen (Acting Vegetation Manager Great Southern Region) - To: Michelle North and Tiffaney George (Environment and Heritage) - Subject: Albany Ring Road - Stage 3a Patricia Close to SCH - Dated 19/09/2025. Email advised that spot spray and blanket spray have been undertaken in cleared areas approximately 800 m either side of Patricia Close.	C
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	Offsets were exempt as per DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2020).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11 (a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with clearing principles (b) and (f) and 5.65 ha of clearing is proposed.	N/A
61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11 (a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11 (a).	N/A

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Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	<p>The Permit Holder must monitor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal. 	<p>(i) A pre clearing checklist, completed by Melanie Price (DECMIL environmental manager), containing various areas of the ARR project was provided. The checklist indicated that clearing area was demarcated with pegs and flagging, that a day time fauna check was undertaken on 11/1/23 and trapping was not required, and that No GO zones were applicable. It is noted that the pre clearing checklist said clearing is within CPS 9179/1 boundary.</p> <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring which provides clear information about what monitoring is required.</p> <p>It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p> <p>(ii) N/A as per condition 9(a); (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).</p>	C

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64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	<p>The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit:</p> <p>(a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit:</p> <p>(i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit;</p> <p>(ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit;</p> <p>(iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b);</p> <p>(iv) the location where the clearing occurred;</p> <p>(v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities;</p> <p>(vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile;</p> <p>(vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred;</p> <p>(viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and</p> <p>(ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.</p>	<p>(i) as per condition 5 (a). (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2020). (iii) as per condition 8 (a). (iv), (vii), (viii), (ix) CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates. (v) Section 3 of the CAR. (vi) N/A.</p>	C
65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	<p>In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit:</p> <p>(i) a description of management actions undertaken;</p> <p>(ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action;</p> <p>(iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and</p> <p>(iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.</p>	<p>Evidence of VMP actions implemented was provided, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hygiene checklists as per condition 10(a); - Internal audit on CPS 818 conditions; and - Weed spray control. <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) provides clear information about what management and monitoring actions will be implemented and what records will be kept.</p> <p>It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p>	C

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66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	(i) N/A as per condition 10(c). (ii), (iii) N/A as per condition 10(d). (iv) N/A as per condition 10(e). (v) Relevant records are provided under condition 10(g) above. OB. Controls under condition 10(f) were marked as OB due to no clean on exit points, as also noted in condition 10(a).	OB
68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A

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70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C
71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2020) indicates that clearing was approved on 3/12/2020.	C
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2020) indicates that clearing was approved on 3/12/2020.	C

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 – 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 – 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A

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87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	<p>Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23.</p> <p>Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.</p>	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023.</p> <p>Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Kimberley Region

Project:
Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1 Road Upgrade SLK 0-40

Approved clearing area:
228 ha

Year:
2024

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	52
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		52
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	36
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - Clearing Assessment Report - CPS 818 - Tanami Road Upgrade Stage 1 SLK 0-41 - EOS 1890 - D22#1129438 - January 2023 (CAR (MRWA, 2023)).</p> <p>Section 1.2 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) states "Main Roads proposes to upgrade a 41km stretch of the existing Tanami Road between SLK 0 and SLLK 41. The upgrade activities will comprise the following components:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Groundworks and surfacing the existing gravel road with bitumen to a width of 10m; • Realignment and de/elevation of high-risk sections to decrease excessive road curvature and increase visibility; • Upgrade drains as required to facilitate surface water runoff; and • Installation of material laydown and turn around areas required to enable construction upgrade works to occur.." <p>These items align with the activities listed in Condition 1(a) (xiv) and (xvii).</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) states "The Tanami Road is a Local Government Road under the care and control of the Shire of Halls Creek. In response to the Federal and State Governments committing funding to upgrade and seal the Road to the Northern Territory Border, the Shire of Halls Creek has requested Main Roads Western Australia's assistance in delivering the Project".	C
3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023). The proposed clearing may be at variance to principle (a), not likely to be at variance to (b), (g), (i), and (j), and not at variance to (c), (d), (e), (f) and (h). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii), (iv) Proposal was not referred under Part IV of the EP Act or under the EPBC Act.	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A

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6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	The maximum annual clearing limit for the Kimberley region under CPS 818/17 is 500 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17. MRWA reported a total of 97.56 ha cleared within the Kimberley region in 2024, as per clearing under CPS 818 Attachemnt 1: Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2024 (CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025)) Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/ .	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Mitigate and Manage Project Clearing Impacts and Table 1 Justification of Avoiding, Minimising, Mitigating and Managing Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C

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11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department’s “A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 2.2 Desktop Assessment and Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.7 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C
14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 1.4 of the CAR indicates 288 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) Shapefiles of proposed clearing were provided; (v) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) Section 8 of the CAR. Rehabilitation and revegetation required as per condition 9(a); (B) N/A as per condition 10.	C

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15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	The proposed clearing maybe at variance to principle (a) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing maybe at variance with principle (a) and is more than 0.5 ha as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	C as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	The proposed clearing maybe at variance to principle (a) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023). An environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2023) Sections 2.3 and 3.	C
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department's "A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles states "each principle has been assessed in accordance with DWER's 'A Guide to the Assessment of Applications to Clear Native Vegetation'".	C

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20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	The CAR addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(c), where applicable. The following points were noted: i) Section 3 of the CAR includes a summary of biological surveys; (ii) N/A as the Clearing is not at variance with Principle (e); (iii) N/A as per condition 10(a). (iv) N/A. Section 5 Principle (f) states "Due to the absence of watercourses and wetlands from the Development Envelope, no impact to watercourses or associated environments is anticipated from the proposed clearing". (v) No additional surveys were required.	C
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing maybe at variance with principle (a) and the clearing area is more than 0.5 ha as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). Biological surveys were referred and summarised in Sections 2.3 and 3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	Biological surveys referred in section 2.3 and 3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) were conducted by Biota Environmental Services, 360 Environmental and Main Roads. A copy of these reports was provided: 1. Biota Environmental Science (Biota) - Tanami Road Upgrade SLK 0-60 Biological Survey - prepared for MRWA - May 2021. 2. Biota - Tanami Road Upgrade and Great Northern Highway Material Pit Areas: Flora Surveys - prepared for MRWA - December 2021. 3. 360 Environment - Tanami Road Upgrade - Targeted Flora Survey - prepared for MRWA - March 2022. 4. MRWA - Tanami Road Upgrade SLK 0-20 - Targeted Flora Survey - November 2022 - D22#1201339.	C

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23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	Biological surveys listed above in condition 7(e) included EPA's Technical Guidance within the methodologies. Only one IBSA submission numbers were provided, respectively, as: 1. IBSA-2023-0032. 2. IBSA-2023-0028. 3. IBSA-2023-0033. 4. IBSA-2023-0034.	C
24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	Compliant as per condition 7(f).	C
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C

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26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(i), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per condition 6(d); (ii) Section 3 of the CAR; (iii) Section 5 of the CAR; (iv) Appendix 1 of the CAR. Correspondence letter from DWER (Mathew Gannaway - Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - to: MRWA (Martine Scheltema - Manager Environment) - Subject: Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 _ Tanami Road Upgrade Stage 1 SLK 0-41 _ Approval of Clearing Assessment Report, Vegetation Management Plan and Exemption from Offset Proposal - Dated: 14/03/2023 (DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2023)); (v) CAR (MRWA, 2023), Table 7 states "Yes - An offset proposal for approval by DWER be prepared". However, the project was exempt from an offset proposal as per DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2023).	C
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	The proposed clearing maybe at variance to principle (a) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023). A VMP is included as Appendix 1 of the CAR.	C

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	(i) Purpose and Scope section of the VMP; (ii) Action section of the VMP, Appendix 1.1 and Tables 1 Clearing Principal Environmental Management Requirements (PEMR); (iii) Responsibilities section of the VMP; (iv) Timeframes section of the VMP, Appendix 1.1 and Tables 1 Clearing PEMR. (v) The VMP does not include a monitoring and maintenance program. However, monitoring actions have been included within the PEMR tables. Appendix 1.1 includes a requirement for monitoring and it refers to: •Specification 204 Environmental Management Contract Tender Documents •Construction Environmental Management Plan • Superintendent's Contract Management Plan & Environmental Measurement and Evaluation Checklist. (vi) The VMP does not specifically include actions to be taken in the event of NC. However, Appendix 1.1 includes a requirement for auditing and this refers to: •Specification 204 Environmental Management •Superintendent's Contract Management Plan & Environmental Measurement and Evaluation Checklist. (vii) Appendix F2. Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring and non-compliance, as required under items (v) and (vi) of this condition. The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.	C
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 8(b)	N/A

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30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2023).	C
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 7 states "Main Roads have consulted interested parties on the future upgrade works, and the proposed layout takes into consideration the recommendations.". Section 7 also listed three consultation events conducted.	C
32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	(i) MRWA advised that the public was invited to submit comments by publishing on the website. Evidence of the CAR been published from 27/1/2023 to 17/02/2023 was provided as a MRWA internal email from Rita Beric (Acting Digital Communications Manager) - To: Kavi Alwis Manchanayake (Environment Officer) - Subject: Publish on external website for 21 days - Tanami Rd Upgrade SLK0-41 CAR - Dated: 15/09/2025 (CAR publication email (MRWA, 2025)); (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 7 states "Main Roads have consulted interested parties on the future upgrade works, and the proposed layout takes into consideration the recommendations.". Section 7 also listed three consultation events conducted.	C
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A. The proposed clearing maybe at variance to principle (a), not likely to be at variance to principles (b),(g), (i), and (j), and not at variance to principles (c), (d), (e), (f) and (h) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing maybe at variance to principle (a) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A	N/A
36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	(i), (ii), (iv) information was included in the CAR (MRWA, 2023). The CAR was published in Jan-Feb 2023 as per CAR publication email (MRWA, 2025); (iii) N/A as per condition 8(j); (v) Instructions are on the MRWA website. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/proposed-clearing/	C
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	Information was included in the CAR (MRWA, 2023). The CAR is publicly available on MRWA website (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49e864/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/kimberley/1890-tanami-road-upgrade-stage-1-upgrade-cps-annual-clearing-report-2023.pdf)	C
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	The CAR was published from 27/1/2023 to 17/02/2023, as per CAR publication email (MRWA, 2025).	C
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 7 includes a summary of the outcomes and suggestions during the consultation events. No submissions were received through the MRWA website, as per CAR publication email (MRWA, 2025).	C

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40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2020) indicates that clearing was approved on 14/3/2023.	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2020) indicates that clearing was approved on 14/3/2023.	C
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	Section 8, Table 7 MRWA indicates that the proposal involves clearing for temporary works and states that "CPS 818 condition 9 Revegetation and Rehabilitation requirements will be implemented". However, implementation of this condition is not required at this stage as MRWA advised that revegetation / rehabilitation has not commenced.	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; <p>Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.</p>	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met. 	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	MRWA advised that this has not been required at this stage.	N/A

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51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	N/A. Section 8, Table 7 states that the Proposal is not within a Region that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • has rainfall greater than 400mm; and, • is South of the 26th parallel; and, • works are necessary in 'Other than dry conditions'; and, • works have potential for uninfested areas to be impacted. 	N/A
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by: (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infected, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	DWER advised that MRWA is not required to provide an offset proposal for the clearing as proposed, as per DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2023).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A

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61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) The monitoring actions in the VMP relate to clearing, water quality if turbidity or sedimentation, and visual monitoring of fauna presence. A copy of an internal audit conducted for the project on 20/09/23 was provided. The audit table stated that regular environmental inspections are carried out and documented by the Environmental Officer. Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring which provides clear information about what monitoring is required. It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818. The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving. (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a); (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).	C

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64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 1.6, Table 1 of the CAR; (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2023); (iii) Compliant as per condition 8(a); (iv), (vi) Shapefiles of the cleared area were provided; (v) Section 1.4 of the CAR; (vii) N/A; (viii), (ix) CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025).	C
65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	A copy of an internal audit conducted for the project on 20/09/23 was provided as evidence of the VMP implementation. Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) provides clear information about what management and monitoring actions will be implemented and what records will be kept. It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818. The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.	C

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66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	C
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A

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69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C
71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C

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73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	N/A as per condition 14(i). Nevertheless, CAR (MRWA, 2023) is published on MRWA website (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49e864/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/kimberley/1890-tanami-road-upgrade-stage-1-upgrade-cps-annual-clearing-report-2023.pdf).	N/A
74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Compliant as per condition 8(h); (ii), (iii), (v) Information has been provided in CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025). (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	N/A. Information is publicly available on MRWA website; however the 12 month period would be in July 2026.	N/A
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2020) indicates that clearing was approved on 14/3/2023.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2020) indicates that clearing was approved on 14/3/2023.	C

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A

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87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	<p>Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23.</p> <p>Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.</p>	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023.</p> <p>Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Kimberley Region

Project:
Tanami Road Upgrade - Stage 1 SLK 20-40 Material Areas

Approved clearing area:
80 ha

Year:
2024

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	33
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		33
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	55
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2023 - Clearing Assessment Report CPS 818 - Tanami Road Upgrade Stage 1 SLK [REDACTED] Material Areas - Kimberley Region - EOS 1890 - D23#1043954 - Novemebr 2023 (CAR (MRWA, 2023)). Section 1.2 Proposal Scope.</p> <p>Section 1.2 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) states "As construction continues with the planned commencement of the SLK 20-40 section in 2024, there is a need to identify suitable naturally occurring gravels and rock by the end of 2023."</p> <p>These items align with the activities listed in Condition 1(a) (xvi).</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	<p>MRWA has advised the following: The statutory powers in the Act do provide for clearing native vegetation in connection with road-network or road-related works, so long as those works are within or connected to the functions of the Commissioner.</p> <p>The key points to this are: * The Commissioner may clear vegetation that is necessary for road works or road infrastructure or associated works, because these are within the scope of the functions in section 15B(1)(a), (b), (c), (f). * The Commissioner's functions are not strictly limited to lands owned by the Commissioner or the Crown; works can be done on behalf of other government agencies, local governments, or authorities, and on alienated and crown land.</p> <p>Accordingly, for project activities that are road-related (i.e. works for highways, main roads, other roads, extracting road building materials, traffic infrastructure, etc.), the Commissioner holds power to clear native vegetation to the extent such clearing is required.</p>	C
3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	<p>(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles. The proposed clearing is only at variance to Principle (f) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023).</p> <p>(ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.</p> <p>(iii), (iv) Proposal was not referred under Part IV of the EP Act or under the EPBC Act.</p>	C

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4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA reported a total of 184.9478 ha cleared within the Kimberley Region in 2024 as per MRWA website - Clearing under CPS 818 Attachment 1: Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2024 (CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025)) (https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/). Kimberley Regional Clearing Limit is 500 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C

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Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts and Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department's "A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 2.2 Desktop Assessment and Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	Section 1.7 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C

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14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder's consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per conditions 6(b); (iii) Section 1.4 of the CAR indicates 80 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) Shapefiles of approved clearing were provided; (v) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) N/A as per condition 10.	C
15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	N/A. The proposed clearing is only at variance to Principle (f) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	The Proposed Clearing is at variance to only principle (f), where a maximum of 0.4 ha of vegetation growing in association with a minor nonperennial watercourse may be cleared, as per CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5, principle (f) and Section 7, Table 9 .	C

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17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	N/A as per condition 6(f).	N/A
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	N/A as per condition 6(f).	N/A
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department's "A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	N/A as per condition 6(f).	N/A
20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	The Proposed Clearing is at variance to only principle (f), where a maximum of 0.4 ha of vegetation growing in association with a minor nonperennial watercourse may be cleared, as per CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5, principle (f) and Section 7, Table 9 .	C

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22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	N/A as per condition 7(d).	N/A
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per condition 7(d).	N/A
24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per condition 7(d).	N/A
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	N/A as per condition 6(f).	N/A
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 6(f).	N/A
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	N/A as per condition 6(f).	N/A

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 6(f).	N/A
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 6(f).	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 6(f).	N/A
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	N/A as per condition 6(f).	N/A

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32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	N/A as per condition 8(c).	N/A
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as per condition 8(c).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	The Proposed Clearing is at variance to only principle (f), where a maximum of 0.4 ha of vegetation growing in association with a minor nonperennial watercourse may be cleared, as per CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5, principle (f) and Section 7, Table 9 .	C
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 8(c).	N/A

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36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	N/A as per condition 8(c).	N/A
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	N/A as per condition 8(c).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	N/A as per condition 8(c).	N/A
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 8(c).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. Clearing activities were undertaken between 1/05/2024 and 1/12/2024.	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A. Clearing activities were undertaken between 1/05/2024 and 1/12/2024.	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works.	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; <p>Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.</p>	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met. 	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	N/A. The proposed clearing is not South of the 26th parallel of latitude but is in a region that has an average rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres, as per Section 5, Principle (j) and Section 7 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by: (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infected, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A. As per condition 11(c).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A. As per condition 11(c).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	The Proposed Clearing is at variance to only principle (f), where a maximum of 0.4 ha of vegetation growing in association with a minor nonperennial watercourse may be cleared, as per CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5, principle (f) and Section 7, Table 9 .	C

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61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A. As per condition 11(c).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A. As per condition 11(c).	N/A
Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(j). (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a). (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 1.6 of the CAR; (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2023); (iii) N/A as per condition 8(a); (iv) and (vi) Shapefiles of cleared area were provided; (v) Section 1.2 of the CAR; (vii) N/A; (viii) and (ix) CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates.	C

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65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	N/A as per condition 7(j).	N/A
66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C

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71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	CAR is currently (July 2025) published on MRWA website (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49e87c/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/kimberley/1890-tanami-road-upgrade-stage-1-material-areas-cps-annual-clearing-report-2023.pdf). CAR (MRWA, 2023) was requested to be published on 19/03/2024, which is within 3 months after clearing commenced (1/05/2024), as per MRWA internal correspondence email from: communications@mainroads.wa.gov.au - to: mason.formentin@mainroads.wa.gov.au - Subject: CM: Receipt - Request for website publication - Clearing Commenced (CPS 818) - Dated: 14/03/2024.	C

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74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(n). (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amounts of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted. (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	N/A as the 12 month period would be next year in June.	N/A
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. Clearing activities were undertaken between 1/05/2024 and 1/12/2024.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A. Clearing activities were undertaken between 1/05/2024 and 1/12/2024.	N/A
78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C

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79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C
82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C

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84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A
87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23. Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.	C

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88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023.</p> <p>Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Metropolitan Region

Project:
Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening and Smart Freeway Hester to Warwick

Approved clearing area:
0.34 ha

Year:
2023

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	56
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	1
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		57
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	31
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2023 - Clearing Assessment Report - CPS 818 - Mitchell Freeway Southbound - Hodges Drive on-ramp (H659) - EOS 1969 - D23#208996 - May 2023 (CAR (MRWA, 2023)). Section 2.1 Project Scope.</p> <p>Section 2.1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) states "Main Roads Western Australia (Main Roads) proposes to install Smart Freeway infrastructure at the Hodges Drive On ramp which will require civil works and clearing for CCTV sight lines."</p> <p>These items align with the activities listed in Condition 1(a) (ii), (v) and (xviii).</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	<p>CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 2.1 states: "The Project area is located on the Hodges Drive on-ramp (H659) SLK 0.12 to SLK 0.40 and Mitchell Freeway (H016) between SLK 25.67 to SLK 38 within the local government authority boundary of the City of Joondalup".</p> <p>MRWA has advised the following: The statutory powers in the Act do provide for clearing native vegetation in connection with road-network or road-related works, so long as those works are within or connected to the functions of the Commissioner.</p> <p>The key points to this are: * The Commissioner may clear vegetation that is necessary for road works or road infrastructure or associated works, because these are within the scope of the functions in section 15B(1)(a), (b), (c), (f). * The Commissioner's functions are not strictly limited to lands owned by the Commissioner or the Crown; works can be done on behalf of other government agencies, local governments, or authorities, and on alienated and crown land.</p> <p>Accordingly, for project activities that are road-related (i.e. works for highways, main roads, other roads, extracting road building materials, traffic infrastructure, etc.), the Commissioner holds power to clear native vegetation to the extent such clearing is required.</p>	C

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3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles. The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (b) and (d); is not likely to be at variance to (e), and is not at variance to (c), (f), (g), (h), (i) and (j), as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii), (iv) Proposal was not referred under Part IV of the EP Act or under the EPBC Act.	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C

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7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	<p>MRWA website - Attachment 1 Purpose Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2023 - retrieved from: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf (CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024)).</p> <p>MRWA reported a total of 1.64 ha cleared within the Metropolitan Region in 2023 as per as per the CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024).</p> <p>Metropolitan Regional Clearing Limit was 0.97 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.</p>	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 2.3 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Project Clearing Impacts and Table 2 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Project Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 2.2 Alternatives to Clearing.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 2.2 Alternatives to Clearing.	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department's "A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C

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12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 2.4 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C
14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 2.1 of the CAR indicates 0.34 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) N/A; (v) Section 2.1 and Figure 1 of the CAR. (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) Section 8 of the CAR.	C

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15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (b) and (d); is not likely to be at variance to (e), and is not at variance to (c), (f), (g), (h), (i) and (j), as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A. Whilst the Proposed clearing is less than 0.5 ha, it is at variance with principles (a), (b) and (d) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	C as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	The proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b) and (d) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023). An environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 3.	C
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department’s “A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles states "each principle has been assessed in accordance with DWER’s ‘A Guide to the Assessment of Applications to Clear Native Vegetation’”.	C

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20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	The CAR addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(c), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Section 3 of the CAR includes a summary of biological surveys; (ii) N/A as clearing is not at variance with principle (e); (iii) N/A as per Condition 10(d); (iv) N/A as Section 5, principle (f) states: "Interrogation of DBCA and DWER hydrological and wetland datasets determined that no wetlands or watercourses are mapped within the Project area. The nearest mapped wetland is Lake Joondalup, located approximately 1.5 km from the Project area."; (v) No additional surveys were required.	C
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b) and (d) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). Biological surveys were referred and summarised in Section 3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	Biological surveys referred in Section 3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) were conducted by Astron, Focused Vision and Tony Kirby. A copy of the surveys reports were requested to MRWA and only the Astron (2021) report was provided. Reference: Astron - Mitchell Freeway Widening Southbound and PSP Mitchell Freeway - Gaps Hodges Drive to Reid Highway - Biological Survey - September/October 2019 and March/April 2020 - prepared for MRWA - Reference: 8612-19-BISR-1Rev2_210702 - August 2021. MRWA advised that the Astron report is the only report relevant to the project.	C

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23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	Astron - Mitchell Freeway Widening Southbound and PSP Mitchell Freeway - Gaps Hodges Drive to Reid Highway - Biological Survey - September/October 2019 and March/April 2020 - prepared for MRWA - Reference: 8612-19-BISR-1Rev2_210702 - August 2021. A copy of the Astron report was provided. The report related to EPA's technical guidance. IBSA Submissions Number: Astron IBSA 2021-0088	C
24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	Astron - Mitchell Freeway Widening Southbound and PSP Mitchell Freeway - Gaps Hodges Drive to Reid Highway - Biological Survey - September/October 2019 and March/April 2020 - prepared for MRWA - Reference: 8612-19-BISR-1Rev2_210702 - August 2021. A copy of the Astron report was provided. The report related to EPA's technical guidance. IBSA Submissions Number: Astron IBSA 2021-0088	C
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C

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26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(i), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per condition 6(d); (ii) Section 3 of the CAR; (iii) Section 5 of the CAR; (iv) Appendix 2 of the CAR. CAR May 2023 was approved by DWER via correspondence letter from: DWER (Jessica Burton - A/Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - To: MRWA (Martine Scheltema - Manager Environment) - Subject: Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - Mitchell Freeway Southbound Hodges on ramp - Approval of Clearing Assessment Report, Vegetation Management Plan and Offset Proposal - Dated: 31/5/2023 (DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2023)); (v) Section 7 of the CAR states "An offset package was provided for consideration". An offset monetary contribution was then approved by DWER, as per condition 11.	C
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (b) and (d) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023). A VMP is included as Appendix 2 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	The VMP, Appendix 2 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023), addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(k), where applicable. The following sections were noted: (i) Purpose and Scope section of the VMP; (ii) Action section, Appendix 2.1 Principal Environmental Management Requirements (PEMRs); (iii) Responsibilities section of the VMP; (iv) Appendix 2.1 PEMRs divide actions into pre works, during works and post works. (v) The VMP does not include a monitoring and maintenance program. However, monitoring actions have been included within the PEMR tables; (vi) The VMP does not specifically include actions to be taken in the event of NC. However, some of the Appendix 2.1 PEMRs include reporting environmental incidents; (vii) N/A as per condition 9(a). Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring and non-compliance, as required under items (v) and (vi) of this condition. The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.	C
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 8(b).	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2023).	C

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31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 7 states "The CAR was published on the Main Roads Website for a period of 21 days, between the 12/04/2023 and the 03/05/2023. As part of this process Main Roads invited submissions from DWER and the City of Joondalup."	C
32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 7 states "The CAR was published on the Main Roads Website for a period of 21 days, between the 12/04/2023 and the 03/05/2023. As part of this process Main Roads invited submissions from DWER and the City of Joondalup." The only submission received was from DWER as discussed in Section 7.	C
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (b) and (d) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b) and (d) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A	N/A

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36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	(i), (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 7 states "The CAR was published on the Main Roads Website for a period of 21 days, between the 12/04/2023 and the 03/05/2023." (iii) N/A as per condition 8(j); (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a); (v) Instructions are on the MRWA website. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/proposed-clearing/	C
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	Information was included in the CAR (MRWA, 2023). The CAR is publicly available on MRWA website (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49e8c5/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/metropolitan/1969-mitchell-freeway-southbound-widening-and-smart-freeway-hester-to-warwick-cps-annual-clearing-report-2023.pdf)	C
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 7 states "The CAR was published on the Main Roads Website for a period of 21 days, between the 12/04/2023 and the 03/05/2023." Instructions are on the MRWA website. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/proposed-clearing/	C

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39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 7, states "The only submission received was from DWER." A summary of the submission and a statement from MRWA to address it has been tabulated. The MRWA TRIM Ref of Consultation (D23#401794) is provided. The CAR is publicly available on MRWA website (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49e8c5/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/metropolitan/1969-mitchell-freeway-southbound-widening-and-smart-freeway-hester-to-warwick-cps-annual-clearing-report-2023.pdf)	C
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2023) indicates that clearing was approved on 31/5/2023.	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2023) indicates that clearing was approved on 31/5/2023.	C
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works as per Section 2.1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; <p>Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.</p>	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met. 	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).</p>	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.</p>	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback:</p> <p>(a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;</p>	<p>The Project is within a Region that has rainfall greater than 400 millimetre and is South of the 26th parallel, as per Section 6 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).</p> <p>Cleaning measures prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared are stated in CAR (MRWA, 2023), Appendix 2. VMP, Table 2.1.2: Dieback Management PEMR.</p> <p>Lofoto Construction Partners (Lofoto) - Audit Report - Environmental Management Compliance of Contract 99/19 Smart Freeway Mitchell Southbound (Hester Ave to Warwick Rd) - Report No.: LFT-2310-REP-AUD-0004.1 - Date: 7th November 2023 (Lofoto, 2023).</p> <p>No records of hygiene forms were provided. However, the audit report (Lofoto, 2023) included review of a hygiene management plan. The report states: "The Hygiene Management Plan (EMP Appendix 6) recognises the spread of dieback and weeds and seeds as a risk to the project and one of the mitigations is to inspect all plant and vehicles before allowing them on site. The process is for the contractor to complete a Plant Mobilisation Form which is then signed-off by a Supervisor or Superintendent prior to access being granted." Three forms were reviewed within the audit.</p> <p>OB relates to lack of evidence on clean on exit.</p>	OB

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52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as there was not a dieback free area within the proposed clearing. EMP (HWA, 2022) states "Dieback may be present within the Project area, due to the low density of indicator species it is difficult to determine if dieback is present across the Project area. The entire Project area will be treated as "dieback uninterpretable" and HWA will take appropriate precautions to avoid introducing dieback to the site or spreading from the site to other area".	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A. CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 6 states "No" to "item 4b. Does the proposed works require clearing within or adjacent to DBCA estate in non-dry conditions?"	N/A

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54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log. 	<p>N/A as there was not a dieback free area.</p> <p>MRWA - Proposal Environmental Risk Assessment (PERA) - Proposal Name: Smart Freeways Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening (Hester to Warwick) project C99.19 SFMS H2W - Reviewed and endorsed by: Rob Irwin (Environment Contractor) on 30/03/2023.</p> <p>PERA (MRWA, 2023) states "<i>Pythophthora cinnamomi</i> dieback is suspected to be present on the site carpark of Connect Joondalup (EPBC no.2016-255) approximately 2km north of the Development Envelope. Dieback risk will be managed through implementation of the Project EMP that includes hygiene protocols for preventing the introduction and spread of dieback."</p> <p>Hester Warwick Alliance (HWA) - Smart Freeway Mitchell Southbound - Hester Avenue to Warwick road upgrade - Environmental Management Plan - 39021-ENV-PL-001 - Rev 6 - 05/12/2022 (EMP (HWA, 2022)).</p> <p>EMP states "Dieback may be present within the Project area, due to the low density of indicator species it is difficult to determine if dieback is present across the Project area. The entire Project area will be treated as "dieback uninterpretable" and HWA will take appropriate precautions to avoid introducing dieback to the site or spreading from the site to other area". EMP Section 27 Hygiene Management includes management, monitoring and contingency actions to be undertaken.</p>	N/A

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55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 6 marked 'No' to the item stating: "Main Roads has been notified by DWER or an environmental specialist that the area to be cleared is susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback."	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	These measures are stated in the CAR (MRWA, 2023), Appendix 2. VMP, Table 2: Dieback Management PEMR and are stated in the project's EMP under Section 25.8.1 CPS 9225/1. They are not specified under Section 25.9.2 CPS 818/15. A copy of an environmental management compliance audit of the Smart Freeway Mitchell Southbound (Hester Ave to Warwick Rd) project undertaken by Lofoto Construction Partners (Lofoto) on 18/09/23 was provided. The audit report stated: "The project is following a procedure to minimise the spread of weeds, seeds and dieback as witnessed during the audit".	C
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 6 marked 'No' to the item stating: "Weeds are likely to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition".	N/A

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Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	<p>The proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b) and (d) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).</p> <p>DWER correspondence letter from: Jessica Burton (A/Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - To: MRWA (Paul West, Environmenta and Heritage) - Subject: Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - Mitchell Freeway Southbound Hodges on ramp - Approval of revised offset proposal - Dated: 21/12/2023.</p> <p>Letter states: "I approve an offset of \$43,982.40 for the proposed clearing of 0.34 hectares of native vegetation that provides foraging habitat for Carnaby's black cockatoo."</p> <p>Note that letter also advised that payment of the funds is required prior to clearing. However, clearing activities commenced on 12/7/2023, as per CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) and letter was sent on 21/12/2023.</p>	C
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as pre condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b) and (d) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as pre condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as pre condition 11(a).	N/A

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Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	<p>The Permit Holder must monitor:</p> <p>(i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit;</p> <p>(ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and</p> <p>(iii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.</p>	<p>(i) The monitoring actions in the VMP relate to clearing, turbidity or sedimentation, and visual monitoring of fauna presence.</p> <p>A copy of an environmental management compliance audit of the Smart Freeway Mitchell Southbound (Hester Ave to Warwick Rd) project undertaken by Lofoto Construction Partners (Lofoto) on 18/09/23 was provided.</p> <p>The audit report stated "From a review of the evidence provided by the Permit Holder, the Permit Holder is compliant with the conditions of all the permits that have been assessed during the audit."</p> <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring which provides clear information about what monitoring is required.</p> <p>It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p> <p>(ii) N/A as per condition 9(a);</p> <p>(iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).</p>	C

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64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	<p>The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit:</p> <p>(a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit:</p> <p>(i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit;</p> <p>(ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit;</p> <p>(iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b);</p> <p>(iv) the location where the clearing occurred;</p> <p>(v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities;</p> <p>(vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile;</p> <p>(vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred;</p> <p>(viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and</p> <p>(ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.</p>	<p>(i) Section 2.3 of the CAR;</p> <p>(ii) CAR (MRWA, 2023);</p> <p>(iii) CAR Section 7 states "Main Roads invited submissions from DWER and the City of Joondalup";</p> <p>(iv), (v) Section 2.1 of the CAR;</p> <p>(vi) N/A;</p> <p>(vii), (viii) and (ix) CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates.</p>	C
65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	<p>In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit:</p> <p>(i) a description of management actions undertaken;</p> <p>(ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action;</p> <p>(iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and</p> <p>(iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.</p>	<p>A copy of an environmental compliance audit conducted for the project on 18/09/23 was provided as evidence of the VMP implementation.</p> <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) provides clear information about what management and monitoring actions will be implemented and what records will be kept.</p> <p>It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p>	C

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66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	(i) N/A as per condition 10(c); (ii), (iii) N/A as per condition 10(d); (iv) N/A as per condition 10(e); (v) C as per condition 10(f); N/A as per condition 10(g).	C
68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	A copy of Offset Invoice Information from MRWA (Clare Collet, Senior Environment Officer) was provided. It showed a payment of \$43,982.40 to DWER, paid on 08/02/24, invoice number RI005325.	C

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69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C
71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C

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73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	N/A as per condition 14(i).	N/A
74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Compliant as per condition 8(h). (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted. (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	14(e) is not required as per condition 14(i). 14 (f) information is included in CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) and that is still on MRWA website as reviewed in July 2025. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf	C
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2023) indicates that clearing was approved on 31/5/2023.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2023) indicates that clearing was approved on 31/5/2023.	C

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A

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87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	<p>Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23.</p> <p>Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.</p>	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023.</p> <p>Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Mid West-Gascoyne Region

Project:
Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 Widening

Approved clearing area:
73.64 ha

Year:
2024

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	52
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	4
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		56
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	32
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2023 - Clearing Assessment Report (CAR) - CPS 818 - Indian Ocean Drive Widening SLK 219-253 Mid West Gascoyne - EOS 2359 - D23#561925 - September - 2023 (CAR (MRWA, 2023)). Section 1.2 Proposal Scope.</p> <p>Section 1.2 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) states "Main Roads proposes to widen and upgrade IOD between 219.85 and 253.18 SLK".</p> <p>These items align with the activities listed in condition 1(a) (ii), (xvii) and (xviii).</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	<p>MRWA has advised the following: The statutory powers in the Act do provide for clearing native vegetation in connection with road-network or road-related works, so long as those works are within or connected to the functions of the Commissioner.</p> <p>The key points to this are: * The Commissioner may clear vegetation that is necessary for road works or road infrastructure or associated works, because these are within the scope of the functions in section 15B(1)(a), (b), (c), (f). * The Commissioner's functions are not strictly limited to lands owned by the Commissioner or the Crown; works can be done on behalf of other government agencies, local governments, or authorities, and on alienated and crown land.</p> <p>Accordingly, for project activities that are road-related (i.e. works for highways, main roads, other roads, extracting road building materials, traffic infrastructure, etc.), the Commissioner holds power to clear native vegetation to the extent such clearing is required.</p>	C
3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	<p>(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023). The proposed clearing is at variance to principle (f), may be at variance to (a), not likely to be at variance to (b), (e), and not at variance to (c), (d), (g), (h), (i), and (j).</p> <p>(ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.</p> <p>(iii), (iv) The Proposal was not referred under Part IV of the EP Act or under the EPBC Act.</p>	C

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4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA reported a total of 113.79 ha cleared within the Mid West-Gascoyne Region in 2024 as per MRWA website - Clearing under CPS 818 Attachment 1: Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2024 (CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025)) (https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/). Mid West-Gascoyne Regional Clearing Limit was 300 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C

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Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts and Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department's "A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 2.2 Desktop Assessment and Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.7 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2020) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C

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14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 2.1 of the CAR indicates 73.64 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) Shapefiles of proposed area were provided; (v) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) Section 9 of the CAR.	C
15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	The proposed clearing is at variance to principle (f), and may be at variance to (a) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance to principle (f), and may be at variance to (a) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	C as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	The proposed clearing is at variance to principle (f), and may be at variance to (a) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department's "A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles states "each principle has been assessed in accordance with DWER's 'A Guide to the Assessment of Applications to Clear Native Vegetation'".	C

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20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	<p>An environmental assessment must include:</p> <p>(i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d);</p> <p>(ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e);</p> <p>(iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas;</p> <p>(iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and</p> <p>(v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.</p>	<p>The proposed clearing is at variance to principle (f), and may be at variance to (a) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). The CAR addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(c), where applicable. The following points were noted:</p> <p>(i) Section 3 of the CAR includes a summary of biological surveys;</p> <p>(ii) N/A as clearing is not at variance with principle (e);</p> <p>(iii) Three dieback surveys were referred (Glevan 2022, Glevan 2018, and Terratree 2018). The surveys do not cover the entire proposed clearing. Dieback MP Section 6 states: "Main Roads considers surveying for dieback within this coastal area to be futile and instead has adopted a conservative approach of categorising all vegetation within the Proposal's Limits of Vegetation Clearing boundary as 'Uninterpretable;' and thus considered "protectable" in terms of the application of dieback management strategies."</p> <p>MRWA advised that a dieback survey for the entire clearing area was not undertaken as it was deemed a 'protectable' area and dieback controls were implemented.</p> <p>(iv) Section 5, principle (f) states "Existing culverts will be replaced to minimise impacts to hydrological features and Proposed clearing will result in no additional changes to surface water hydrology. The Proposal footprint will be minimised by using the existing alignment hence the Proposal is unlikely to cause significant impacts to surface water flows.";</p> <p>(v) No additional surveys were required.</p>	C
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	<p>a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to:</p> <p>(i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s);</p> <p>(ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.</p>	<p>N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance to principle (f), and may be at variance to (a) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). Biological surveys were listed and referred in Sections 2.3 and 3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).</p>	N/A

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22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	A copy of the Executive Summary and Conclusion sections of the following reports were provided: 1. Focused Vision Consulting (2022), Biological Survey Indian Ocean Drive Widening, SLK 220 – 250. 2. Astron Environmental Services (2017), Biological Survey Indian Ocean Drive: Passing Lane SLK 151 – 153.84 and Widening SLK 248 – 258.	C
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 3 Summary of Surveys. Evidence of IBSA package submission was provided as IBSA number: IBSA-2023-0448.	C
24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 3 Summary of Surveys. Evidence of IBSA package submission was provided as IBSA number: IBSA-2023-0448.	C
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C

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26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(i), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per condition 6(d); (ii) Section 3 of the CAR; (iii) Section 5 of the CAR; (iv) Appendix 3 of the CAR. Correspondence letter from DWER (Mathew Gannaway - Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - to: MRWA (Martine Scheltema - Manager Environment) - Subject: Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 _ Indian Ocean drive widening SLK 219-253 _ Approval of Vegetation Management Plan and exemption from the requirement for an offset - Dated: 14/11/2023 (DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2023)); (v) Section 7 states "Main Roads is seeking an exemption from submitting an offset proposal."	C
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	A VMP is included as Appendix 3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	The VMP, Appendix 3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023), addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(k), where applicable. The following sections were noted with respect to the various requirements: (i) Section 1; (ii) Section 3 and Table 1; (iii) Section 3; (iv) Section 3; (v) Section 4; (vi) Section 5; and (vii) N/A as per condition 9(a).	C
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 8(b).	N/A

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30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2023).	C
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 9 states "Submissions invited from relevant parties, including the LGA, the owner or occupier of the land and other stakeholders in accordance with Condition 8 of CPS 818."	C
32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	(i) MRWA - CPS 818/15 External Website Publication Form – Submissions - December 2023 D23#934560. The form indicates that the CAR was published on the website for submissions from 4/10/2023 to 24/10/2023. (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 9 states "Submissions invited from relevant parties, including the LGA, the owner or occupier of the land and other stakeholders in accordance with Condition 8 of CPS 818." Correspondence email sent from MRWA (Bree Atkinson - Environment) - to: BCC: enquiry@wildflowersocietywa.org.au; shire@carnamah.wa.gov.au; reception@irwin.wa.gov.au; ceo@irwin.wa.gov.au; info@djmaccormick.com.au; jianhuahan2005@hotmail.com - Subject: CPS 818 Invitation for Submission - Indian Ocean Drive - Dated: 4/10/2023.	C

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33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance to principle (f), and may be at variance to (a) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance to principle (f), and may be at variance to (a) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A	N/A
36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	(i) - (iv) MRWA - CPS 818/15 External Website Publication Form – Submissions - December 2023 D23#934560. The form indicates that the CAR was published on the website for submissions from 4/10/2023 to 24/10/2023; (v) Instructions are on the MRWA website. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/proposed-clearing/	C
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	CAR is currently available on MRWA website. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/4ab094/globalassets/community-environment/environment/clearing-intext/2024/mid-west-gascoyne/2359-indian-ocean-drive-widening-slk-219-253-clearing-assessment-report.pdf	C

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38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	MRWA - CPS 818/15 External Website Publication Form – Submissions - December 2023 D23#934560. The form indicates that the CAR was published on the website for submissions from 4/10/2023 to 24/10/2023. Note. MRWA advised that the submission dates are days inclusive.	C
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8, Table 6.	C
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. Clearing activities were approved on 14/11/2023 as per DWER Approval letter (DWER, 2023). Clearing activities were undertaken between 10/02/2024 and 10/10/2024.	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A. Clearing activities were approved on 14/11/2023 as per DWER Approval letter (DWER, 2023). Clearing activities were undertaken between 10/02/2024 and 10/10/2024.	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works, as per Section 7 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; <p>Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.</p>	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met. 	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	<p>The Proposal is within a Region that has rainfall greater than 400 millimetre and is South of the 26th parallel, as per Section 8 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).</p> <p>Three examples of completed Plant Weed Inspection forms were provided. These were dated 10/06/24, 21/06/24 and 6/01/25.</p> <p>A copy of a Clean on entry register was provided. The register is labeled 'Indian Ocean Drive Stage 2 widening' and it includes records of vehicles been cleaned at this point from 12/05/24 to 30/05/24. A photo of a grader been cleaned was also provided along with the register. Photo was taken on 30/05/24.</p> <p>OB relates to lack of evidence on clean on exit.</p>	OB
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	<p>Dieback MP states "No known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill, water or other material is to be imported to the works site at any time."</p> <p>MRWA advised "No known dieback affected material was brought to site. The imported material (subbase and basecourse) was sourced from long-established agricultural land (>30 years) on the Coorow - Greenhead Road. The site was used continuously for cropping. Continuous cultivation results in high soil disturbance, aeration and low moisture levels, while the absence of suitable host plants and long dry periods are unfavourable for dieback survival."</p>	C

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53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	<p>CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 9 states "Given the area is adjacent to DBCA managed Nature Reserve (Beekeepers Nature Reserve; WA24496), a Dieback Management Plan has been prepared and submitted for DBCA endorsement".</p> <p>MRWA - Dieback Management Plan for DBCA Managed Lands - Indian Ocean Drive Widening M045 - SLK 219.8 - 253.2 - October 2023 - EOS 2359 - D23#928740 - October 2024 (Dieback MP).</p> <p>A copy of the project's Dieback MP was provided. Sections 7 and 8 of the Dieback MP indicates MRWA and DBCA endorsement, respectively.</p>	C

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54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by:</p> <p>(i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing;</p> <p>(ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas;</p> <p>(iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing;</p> <p>(iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas;</p> <p>(v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas;</p> <p>(vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared;</p> <p>(vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and</p> <p>(viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.</p>	<p>(i) - (iii) Dieback MP states "Main Roads considers surveying for dieback within this coastal area to be futile and instead has adopted a conservative approach of categorising all vegetation within the Proposal's Limits of Vegetation Clearing boundary as 'Uninterpretable;' and thus considered "protectable" in terms of the application of dieback management strategies."</p> <p>(iv) Dieback MP, Figure 4 shows three clean on entry points.</p> <p>(v) OB. MRWA advised there were no clean on exit points established. The approach was to install clean on entry bays.</p> <p>(vi) Photographic evidence of pegs delineating the clearing area was provided.</p> <p>(vii) Dieback MP states: "Minor upgrades (extensions) to existing culvert headwalls will be required, but this will not result in alteration of bed / banks, existing flows or drainage regimes."</p> <p>(viii) Evidence of dieback actions implemented was provided, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CEMP internal audits for the project (2 Nov_2024) - Example correspondence confirming management requirements via Hold Points with the MRWA Project team and contractor. - Photos of inspection logs at CoE points from location 1 and 2. - Technical Query Form (TQ-012) approving CoE locations requested on 11/03/2024. 	OB
55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must:</p> <p>(i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist;</p> <p>(ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.</p>	<p>N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 9 marked 'No' to the item stating: "Main Roads has been notified by DWER or an environmental specialist that the area to be cleared is susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback."</p>	N/A

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56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	(i) OB as per condition 10(a); (ii) Compliant as per condition 10(b). (iii) Dieback MP includes an operational control that says: "Movements of machines and other vehicles to be restricted to the pegged Limits of Vegetation Clearing boundary and no disturbance to occur outside of this boundary." Photographic evidence of pegs delineating the clearing area was provided. A copy of a toolbox meeting minutes was provided. The minutes included 'clearing breaches - investigation complete' and an incident reported on 3/4/24.	OB
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 9 marked 'No' to the item stating: "Weeds are likely to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition."	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A. DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2023) states: "I advise that MRWA is not required to implement an offset for the project".	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance to principle (f), and may be at variance to (a) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A

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Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) VMP section 4 states: "The Superintendent's Contract Management Team shall monitor the implementation of management actions that are a Hold Point. Hold Point actions must be signed off by the Superintendent's Representative to confirm it has occurred and recorded within the Superintendent's Contract Management Plan." Examples of emails related to Hold Point were provided. Emails showed implementation process of dieback management via Hold Point between MRWA project team and contractor.; (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a); (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).	C
64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 1.6 of the CAR; (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2023); (iii) Compliant as per condition 8(a); (iv) and (vi) shapefiles of cleared area were provided; (v) Section 1.4 of the CAR; (vii) N/A; (viii) and (ix) CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates.	C

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65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	Evidence of VMP actions implemented was provided, including the following: - CEMP internal audits for the project (2 Nov_2024) - Example correspondence confirming management requirements via Hold Points with the MRWA Project team and contractor. - Photos of inspection logs at CoE points from location 1 and 2. - Technical Query Form (TQ-012) approving CoE locations requested on 11/03/2024.	C
66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	(i) Compliant as per condition 10(c); (ii) Figure 4 of the Dieback MP. However, clean on exit points were not included in the map. OB due to no clean on exit points; (iii) Section 6 of the Dieback MP; (iv) N/A as per condition 10(e); (v) OB. Controls under condition 10(f) were marked as OB due to no clean on exit, as also noted in conditions 10(a) and 10(d)(v). Condition 10(g) is N/A for this project.	OB

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68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C

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71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	The CAR is currently published in MRWA website (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/4ab094/globalassets/community-environment/environment/clearing-intext/2024/mid-west-gascoyne/2359-indian-ocean-drive-widening-slk-219-253-clearing-assessment-report.pdf). CAR publication date seemed to be 22/12/2023 as per MRWA CPS 818/15 External Website Publication Form – Submissions - D23#934560 - December 2023. The form was completed by Environmental Officer: Simon Brett for the CAR TRIM Ref: D23#561925.	C

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74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 6, Table 8 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) published on MRWA website; (ii), (iii) and (v) MRWA website checked on 03/09/2025. CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/). (iv) N/A for this project as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	N/A as the 12 month period would be next year in June. As per condition 14(e) and 14(f), CAR (MRWA, 2023) and CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) are still published on MRWA website at the time of this audit (reviewed in July 2025).	N/A
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. Clearing activities were approved on 14/11/2023 as per DWER Approval letter (DWER, 2023). Clearing activities were undertaken between 10/02/2024 and 10/10/2024.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A. Clearing activities were approved on 14/11/2023 as per DWER Approval letter (DWER, 2023). Clearing activities were undertaken between 10/02/2024 and 10/10/2024.	N/A

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A

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87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23. Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Pilbara Region

Project:
Perdaman - Burrup Peninsula Rd Upgrade and Hearson Cove Rd Realignment

Approved clearing area:
8.53 ha

Year:
2023

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	52
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		52
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	36
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <p>(i) to construct new roads;</p> <p>(ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road;</p> <p>(iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000;</p> <p>(iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000;</p> <p>(v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area;</p> <p>(vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area;</p> <p>(vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas;</p> <p>(viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas;</p> <p>(ix) to establish new temporary works;</p> <p>(x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths;</p> <p>(xi) to establish new rest areas and camps;</p> <p>(xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps;</p> <p>(xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks;</p> <p>(xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents:</p> <p>(A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure;</p> <p>(B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line;</p> <p>(C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width;</p> <p>(xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management;</p> <p>(xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials;</p> <p>(xvii) road realignment;</p> <p>(xviii) road widening.</p> <p>(xix) project surveys; and</p> <p>(xx) pre-construction activities.</p>	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2022 - Clearing Assessment Report (CAR) - CPS 818 - Burrup Peninsula Rd Infrastructure Upgrades - EOS 2514 - D22#14651 - April 2022 (CAR (MRWA, 2022)). Section 2.1 Project Scope.</p> <p>Section 2.1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022) states "The Main Roads scope of works includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Realigning the first kilometre of Hearson Cove Road including constructing a new Hearson Cove Road/ Burrup Peninsula Road intersection; • Construction of access way to site C; • Relocation of existing services (overhead power & water pipeline); • Protection of existing services (fibre optic cable, gas pipelines); • Upgrading box culvert on Burrup Peninsula Road; • Extension of culverts on Burrup Peninsula Road; • Widening of Burrup Peninsula Road; and • Other ancillary works." <p>These items align with the activities listed in condition 1(a) (i), (ii), (xiv), (xvii) and (xviii).</p>	C
2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.</p>	<p>CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 2.1 states: "The plant will be on two main sites, C and F, both requiring access to the Burrup Peninsula Road which is under Main Roads' jurisdiction."</p>	C

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3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022). The proposed clearing is at variance to principle (f), may be at variance to (a) and (b), and is not likely to be at variance to (g), (h), (i) and (j), and not at variance to (c), (d) and (e) as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii), (iv) The project was not referred under Part IV of the EP Act or the EPBC Act. MRWA correspondence email from: Martine Scheltema, Manager Environment - To: Kugan Kuganathan, A/Manager Project Delivery (Pilbara Region) - Subject: ME Endorsement: Perdaman Road Infrastructure Upgrade - Dated: 6/01/2022.	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A

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6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA website - Attachment 1 Purpose Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2023 - retrieved from: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf (CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024)). MRWA reported a total of 58.65 ha cleared within the Pilbara Region in 2023 as per clearing under the CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024). Pilbara Regional Clearing Limit was 150 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 2.4 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Project Clearing Impacts, Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Project Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 2.3 Alternatives to Clearing.	C

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10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 2.3 Alternatives to Clearing.	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department’s “A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 2.5 2.5 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2022) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C
14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2022) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 2.1 of the CAR indicates 8.53 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) Proposed clearing shapefiles were provided; (v) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) N/A as per condition 10 (d).	C

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15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	The proposed clearing is at variance with principle (f) and may be at variance with (a) and (b) as per CAR (MRWA, 2022). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2022).	C
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance with principle (f) and may be at variance with (a) and (b) as per CAR (MRWA, 2022). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	C as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2022).	C
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	The proposed clearing is at variance with principle (f) and may be at variance with (a) and (b) as per CAR (MRWA, 2022). An environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2022).	C
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department’s “A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	CAR (MRWA, 2022). Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles states "each principle has been assessed in accordance with DWER’s ‘A Guide to the Assessment of Applications to Clear Native Vegetation’".	C

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20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	The proposed clearing is at variance with principle (f) and may be at variance with (a) and (b). The CAR (MRWA, 2022) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(c), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Section 3 of the CAR includes biological surveys; (ii) N/A as clearing is not at variance with principle (e); (iii) N/A as per condition 10; (iv) N/A. Section 5, Principle (f) states "There are no formally mapped watercourses or wetlands in the proposed clearing area"; (v) No additional surveys were required.	C
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance with principle (f) and may be at variance with (a) and (b) as per CAR (MRWA, 2022). Biological surveys were referred and summarised within Section 3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	Biota Environmental Sciences (Biota) - Perdaman - Burrup Road Infrastructure Upgrades Biological Assessment - Prepared for MRWA - February 2022. The biological survey referred in Section 3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022) was conducted by Biota. A copy of the report was provided.	C
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance - Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	Copies of a report was provided as per condition 7(e). The report included reference to the EPA Technical Guidance. IBSA Submission Number: IBSASUB-20220329-7A1032F8	C

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24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 3 Summary of Surveys. PENDING Evidence of IBSA package submission.	C
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	An assessment report was prepared. REF: CAR (MRWA, 2022).	C
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2022) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(i), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliance as per condition 6(d); (ii) Compliance as per condition 7(c); (iii) Section 5 of the CAR; (iv) Appendix 1 of the CAR. Approval of the VMP was granted by DWER via correspondence letter from: DWER (Ryan Mincham - Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - To: MRWA (Luke Lovell - Environment Officer) - Subject: Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 _ Burrup Peninsula road infrastructure upgrades, Karratha - Approval of clearing assessment report, VMP and exemption from offset proposal - Dated: 5/05/2022 (DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2022); (v) N/A as per condition 11(a).	C
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	The proposed clearing is at variance with principle (f) and may be at variance with (a) and (b) as per CAR (MRWA, 2022). A VMP is included as Appendix 1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022).	C

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	<p>Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Purpose and Scope section of the VMP; (ii) Action section, Appendix 1.1 and Tables 1 to 9 Principal Environmental Management Requirements (PEMRs); (iii) Responsibilities section of the VMP; (iv) PEMRs divide the actions into pre works, during works and post works. (v) The VMP does not include a monitoring and maintenance program. However, monitoring actions have been included within the standard PEMRs. Appendix 1.1 also includes a requirement for monitoring and it refers to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Specification 204 Environmental Management •Construction Environmental Management Plan •Superintendent's Contract Management Plan & Environmental Measurement and Evaluation Checklist.' (vi) The VMP does not specifically include actions to be taken in the event of NC. However, Appendix 1.1 includes a requirement for auditing and this refers to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specification 204 Environmental Management • Superintendent's Contract Management Plan & Environmental Measurement and Evaluation Checklist.' (vii) N/A as per condition 9(a). <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring and non-compliance, as required under items (v) and (vi) of this condition.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p>	C
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 8(b).	N/A

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30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2022).	C
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 7 states "Main Roads sought submissions from relevant stakeholders between 04/04/2022 and 26/04/2022. A single submission was received from the DWER."	C
32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	(i) MRWA internal correspondence email from: Rita Beric (Acting Digital Communications Manager) - To: Tiffaney George (Environment and Heritage) - Subject: Evidence of publication on the website for submissions for 21 days - Dated: 15/09/2025. Email confirms that CAR was published during the submissions period. (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 7 states "Main Roads sought submissions from relevant stakeholders between 04/04/2022 and 26/04/2022. A single submission was received from the DWER." Correspondence email sent from MRWA (Luke Lovell - Environmental Officer) - To: enquiry@wildflowersocietywa.org.au - subject: CPS 818/15 Invitation for Submissions - Burrup Peninsula Rd Infrastructure Upgrades - Dated: 5/04/2022.	C
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance with principle (f) and may be at variance with (a) and (b) as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A

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34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance with principle (f) and may be at variance with (a) and (b) as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A	N/A
36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	(i), (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2022) is currently published on MRWA website. CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 7 states "Main Roads sought submissions from relevant stakeholders between 04/04/2022 and 26/04/2022. A single submission was received from the DWER."; (iii) N/A as per condition 8(j); (iv) Rehabilitation and revegetation are not applicable as per condition 9(a). An offset proposal was exempt as per Condition 11(a); (v) Instructions are on the MRWA website. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/proposed-clearing/	C
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) is currently published on MRWA website (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/globalassets/community-environment/environment/clearing-reveg/cps818/pilbara-region/reports/2514-burru-peninsular-rd-infrastructure-car.pdf).	C
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 7 states "Main Roads sought submissions from relevant stakeholders between 04/04/2022 and 26/04/2022". Confirmation from MRWA was provided via correspondence email from: Rita Beric (Acting Digital Communications Manager) - To: Tiffaney George (Environment and Heritage) - Subject: Evidence of publication on the website for submissions for 21 days - Dated: 15/09/2025.	C

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39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 7 indicates that a single submission was received from DWER and summarises its content and response. The CAR is currently published on MRWA website.	C
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2022) indicates clearing was approved on 5/05/2022. Clearing activities were undertaken from 11/07/2023 to 30/07/2023.	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) indicates clearing was approved on 5/05/2022. Clearing activities were undertaken from 11/07/2023 to 30/07/2023.	C
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works, as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; <p>Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.</p>	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met. 	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; 	<p>N/A.</p> <p>The proposed clearing is not South of the 26th parallel of latitude and the study area averages 297 mm of rainfall per year (BOM, 2021), as per CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 5, Table (j).</p>	N/A

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52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by: (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infected, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A. DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2022) states "MRWA is not required to provide an offset proposal for the clearing as proposed".	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance with principle (f) and is more than 0.5 ha as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A

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Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	<p>The Permit Holder must monitor:</p> <p>(i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit;</p> <p>(ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and</p> <p>(iii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.</p>	<p>(i) The monitoring actions in the VMP relate to water quality if turbidity or sedimentation, erosion monitoring during clearing, and visual monitoring of fauna presence.</p> <p>MRWA - CEMP Compliance Audit Report - Perdaman Project - Burrup Peninsula 2023 - September 2023 (CEMP Audit Report (MRWA, 2023)).</p> <p>The internal audit report states compliance for the requirement "Raubex Construction must ensure any surface water and ponds are designed to avoid animal entrapment. Any open trenches must be inspected daily."</p> <p>Correspondence emails between MRWA (Richard Nyengera, Project/Contract Manager) and Raubex Construction Australia (Peter McDonald, HSEQ Advisor), subject: Sediment control, sent on 6/03/24, indicate that MRWA advised Raubex of the sedimentation controls to be implemented.</p> <p>No evidence of water quality was provided. It could be assumed that water sampling was not required.</p> <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring which provides clear information about what monitoring is required.</p> <p>It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p> <p>(ii) N/A as per condition 9(a);</p> <p>(iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).</p>	C

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64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	<p>The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit:</p> <p>(a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit:</p> <p>(i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit;</p> <p>(ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit;</p> <p>(iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b);</p> <p>(iv) the location where the clearing occurred;</p> <p>(v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities;</p> <p>(vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile;</p> <p>(vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred;</p> <p>(viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and</p> <p>(ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.</p>	<p>(i) Section 2.4 of the CAR;</p> <p>(ii) CAR (MRWA, 2022);</p> <p>(iii) Compliant as per condition 8(a);</p> <p>(iv) and (vi) Shapefiles of the cleared area were provided;</p> <p>(v) Section 2.1 of the CAR;</p> <p>(vii) N/A;</p> <p>(viii) and (ix) CCPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates.</p>	C

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65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	<p>In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions. 	<p>The VMP actions are generally covered by the project's CEMP.</p> <p>The CEMP Audit Report (MRWA, 2023) assessed compliance of Table 4 (Construction Environmental Raubex Operational Controls) of the CEMP. The internal audit report does not show non-conformances related to the VMP actions.</p> <p>Complete detail has not been provided, including dates of completion, results of the monitoring and maintenance program, and description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance.</p> <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) provides clear information about what management and monitoring actions will be implemented and what records will be kept.</p> <p>It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p>	C

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66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A

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69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C
71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C

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73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	N/A as per condition 14(i). Nevertheless, CAR (MRWA, 2022) is currently published on MRWA website (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49ed8a/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2025/pilbara/2514-perdaman-burrup-peninsula-rd-upgrade-and-hearson-cove-rd-realignment-cps-annual-clearing-report-2024-1.pdf).	N/A
74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 7 of the CAR. The CAR (MRWA, 2022) is currently published on MRWA website. (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted. (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	14(e) is not required as per condition 14(i). 14 (f) information is included in CAR (MRWA, 2022) and CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) and these are still on MRWA website as reviewed in July 2025.	C
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2022) indicates clearing was approved on 5/05/2022. Clearing activities were undertaken from 11/07/2023 to 30/07/2023.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	DWER Approval Letter (DWER, 2022) indicates clearing was approved on 5/05/2022. Clearing activities were undertaken from 11/07/2023 to 30/07/2023.	C

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A

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87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	<p>Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23.</p> <p>Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.</p>	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023.</p> <p>Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

South West Region

Project:
Forrest Highway and Binningup Road Northbound Acceleration Lane

Approved clearing area:
0.17 ha

Year:
2023

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	53
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	3
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		56
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	32
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2023 - Clearing Assessment Report - CPS 818 - Forrest Highway (H057) & Binningup Road Northbound Acceleration Lane - South West Region - EOS 2556 - D23#61646 - May 2023 (CAR (MRWA, 2023)). Section 1.2 Proposal Scope.</p> <p>Section 1.2 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) states "The Proposal will involve construction of a 670 m long northbound acceleration lane at the intersection of Forrest Highway (H057) and Binningup Road (2110115) including a 3.5 m wide lane with a 2.5 m wide sealed shoulder. Raised islands and improved street lighting will also be provided. Construction is to be full limestone pavement with an asphalt wearing course and drainage will be managed through roadside open drains."</p> <p>These items align with the activities listed in Condition 1(a) (ii), (xiv) and (xviii).</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	<p>MRWA has advised the following: The statutory powers in the Act do provide for clearing native vegetation in connection with road-network or road-related works, so long as those works are within or connected to the functions of the Commissioner.</p> <p>The key points to this are: * The Commissioner may clear vegetation that is necessary for road works or road infrastructure or associated works, because these are within the scope of the functions in section 15B(1)(a), (b), (c), (f). * The Commissioner's functions are not strictly limited to lands owned by the Commissioner or the Crown; works can be done on behalf of other government agencies, local governments, or authorities, and on alienated and crown land.</p> <p>Accordingly, for project activities that are road-related (i.e. works for highways, main roads, other roads, extracting road building materials, traffic infrastructure, etc.), the Commissioner holds power to clear native vegetation to the extent such clearing is required.</p>	C
3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	<p>(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023). The proposed clearing is at variance with Principle (a), (b) and (d) and is not likely to be at variance to the remaining clearing principles.</p> <p>(ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.</p> <p>(iii), (iv) Proposal was not referred under Part IV of the EP Act or the EPBC Act.</p>	C

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4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C

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7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	<p>MRWA website - Attachment 1 Purpose Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2023 - retrieved from: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf (CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024)).</p> <p>MRWA reported a total of 3.35 ha cleared within the South West in 2023 as per the CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024).</p> <p>South West Regional Clearing Limit was 75 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.</p>	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts and Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Project Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Clearing.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Clearing.	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department's "A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 2.2 Desktop Assessment and Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C

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12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.7 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C
14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 1.4 of the CAR indicates 0.17 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) N/A; (v) Section 1.4 and Figure 1 of the CAR. (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) Section 8 of the CAR.	C

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15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	The proposed clearing is at variance with Principles (a), (b) and (d) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A. Whilst the Proposed clearing is less than 0.5 ha, it is at variance with principles (a), (b) and (d) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	C as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	The proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b) and (d) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023). An environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2023) Sections 2.2 and 3.	C
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department's "A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles states "each principle has been assessed in accordance with DWER's 'A Guide to the Assessment of Applications to Clear Native Vegetation'".	C

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20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	The CAR addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(c), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Section 3 of the CAR includes a summary of biological surveys; (ii) N/A as clearing is not at variance with principle (e); (iii) N/A as per section 8 of the CAR; (iv) N/A as Section 5, principle (f) states: "The proposed clearing area does not intersect any wetlands or watercourses."; (v) No additional surveys were required.	C
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b) and (d) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). Biological surveys were referred and summarised in Section 3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	Biological surveys referred in Section 3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) were conducted by Ecoedge and Biota. A copy of the surveys were provided as: * Biota Environmental Sciences (Biota) - Binningup Acceleration Lane Basic and Targeted Fauna Assessment - prepared for MRWA - March 2023. * Ecoedge - Detailed and Targeted Flora and Vegetation Survey Forrest Highway (H057) Binningup Road Intersection Upgrade - prepared for MRWA - April 2023. IBSA submission numbers were provided as: * IBSASUB-20230501-22209C36; and * IBSASUB-20230428-5A69AA64.	C

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23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	Compliant as per condition 7(e).	C
24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	Compliant as per condition 7(e).	C
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(i), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliance as per condition 6(d); (ii) Compliant as per condition 7(c); (iii) Section 5 of the CAR; (iv) Appendix 1 of the CAR. VMP was approved by DWER via correspondence letter from: DWER (Jessica Burton, A/Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - to: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Manager Environment) - subject: Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - Forrest Highway - Binningup Rd - Acceleration Lane - Approval of clearing assessment report and vegetation management plan and request for an exemption for an offset - dated: 12/05/2023 (DWER approval letter (DWER, 2023)). (v) Section 7 of the CAR.	C

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27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (b) and (d) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023). A VMP is included as Appendix 1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	(i) Purpose and Scope section of the VMP; (ii) Action section, Appendix 1.1 and Tables 1 to 9 of the VMP; (iii) Responsibilities section of the VMP; (iv) Appendix 1.1 Principal Environmental Management Requirements (PEMRs) Appendix of the VMP. Tables divide the Standard Management Requirements into pre works, during works and post works. (v) The VMP does not include a monitoring and maintenance program. However, monitoring actions have been included within the PEMRs. Appendix 1.1 also includes a requirement for monitoring and it refers to: '•Specification 204 Environmental Management •Construction Environmental Management Plan •Superintendent's Contract Management Plan & Environmental Measurement and Evaluation Checklist.' (vi) The VMP does not specifically include actions to be taken in the event of NC. However, Appendix 1.1 includes a requirement for auditing and this refers to: '• Specification 204 Environmental Management • Superintendent's Contract Management Plan & Environmental Measurement and Evaluation Checklist.' (vii) N/A as per condition 9(a). Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring and non-compliance, as required under items (v) and (vi) of this condition. The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.	C

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29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 8(b).	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	DWER approval letter (DWER, 2023).	C
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 7 states "The CAR was published on the Main Roads Website for a period of 21 days, between the 28 April 2023 and 19 May 2023. As part of this process Main Roads invited submissions from DWER and the Shire of Harvey."	C

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32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	<p>Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must:</p> <p>(i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and</p> <p>(ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles:</p> <p>A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared;</p> <p>B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done;</p> <p>C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and</p> <p>D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.</p>	<p>(i), (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 7 states "The CAR was published on the Main Roads Website for a period of 21 days, between the 28 April 2023 and 19 May 2023. As part of this process Main Roads invited submissions from DWER and the Shire of Harvey."</p> <p>Emails sent to the Shire of Harvey and DWER as invitation for submission were provided.</p> <p>The auditor questioned if there was a procedure used to select the relevant environmental or community groups and any other interested party. MRWA has provided two Environmental Work Instruction (EWI) documents, referred as:</p> <p>* MRWA - Environmental Work Instruction – Inviting Submissions under CPS 818 - June 2023 - D12#215727.</p> <p>* MRWA - Environmental Work Instruction: Publishing Proposed Clearing and Seeking Submissions on the External Website - September 2025 (Rev 2) - D20#582032.</p> <p>The EWIs details the prompts to follow for the submissions process required under CPS818.</p>	C
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	<p>Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions:</p> <p>(i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j);</p> <p>(ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).</p>	<p>N/A.</p> <p>The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (b) and (d) and is not likely to be at variance to the remaining principles as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023).</p>	N/A

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34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b) and (d) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A.	N/A
36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	(i), (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 7 states "The CAR was published on the Main Roads Website for a period of 21 days, between the 28 April 2023 and 19 May 2023." (iii) N/A as per condition 8(j); (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a); (v) Instructions are on the MRWA website. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/proposed-clearing/	C
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	The CAR is not required to be published on MRWA website as per condition 14(e).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 7 states "The CAR was published on the Main Roads Website for a period of 21 days, between the 28 April 2023 and 19 May 2023." MRWA internal correspondence email from Digital Communications Team - to: Kavi Alwis Manchanayake (Environment Officer) - subject: Request of evidence for 21 days submission of CAR 2556-Binningup Road-Forrest Highway (H057) & Binningup Road Northbound Acceleration Lane on external website - dated: 17/09/2025. Email verifies 21 days of CAR been published for submissions.	C

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39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 7, states "The only submission received was from DWER." A summary of the submission and a statement from MRWA to address it has been tabulated. The MRWA TRIM Ref of Consultation (D23#466778) is provided. The CAR is not required to be published on MRWA website as per condition 14(e).	C
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) indicates that the clearing was approved on 12/05/2023. Clearing activities undertaken between 6/09/2023 and 8/09/2023.	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	DWER approval letter (DWER, 2023) indicates that the clearing was approved on 12/05/2023. Clearing activities undertaken between 6/09/2023 and 8/09/2023.	C
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works as per Section 1.4 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; <p>Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.</p>	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met. 	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	<p>The Proposal is within a Region that has rainfall greater than 400 millimetre and is South of the 26th parallel, as per Section 8 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).</p> <p>Cleaning measures prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared are stated in CAR (MRWA, 2023), Appendix 1. VMP, Table 2: Dieback Management PEMR.</p> <p>A copy of a 'CEMP measuring and monitoring report' was provided. The report states compliance for the requirement of "Use the Plant, Vehicle and Equipment Hygiene Checklist or equivalent Hygiene form to check that all machinery and vehicles are clean on entry (i.e. free of soil and vegetation)". It was conducted in October and indicated that Ray Ballinger was the site supervisor and Ryan Sanders the site engineer.</p> <p>Two copies of Main Roads Vehicle / Machine Hygiene Checklist were provided for a loader and an excavator. Checklists were completed on 9/10/23 and 5/10/23. Note that clearing activities were undertaken in Sep 2023.</p> <p>OB relates to lack of evidence on clean on exit.</p>	OB
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A. CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8 states "The Proposal Area is currently maintained as one linear stretch of road reserve and is therefore likely to have a consistent dieback status throughout the Proposal Area. Movement of soil may be required in non-dry conditions however all fill material required to complete the works will be cut to fill, meaning no import of sand to site is required." and "In addition, limestone will be utilised for the subbase and basecourse, which is not known to be hospitable to dieback."	N/A

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53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8 states that works are necessary in 'Other than dry conditions'. However, the vegetation to be cleared is not located in or adjacent to any conservation reserves or lands managed by DBCA.	N/A
54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by: (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.	N/A. CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8 states "The Proposal Area is currently maintained as one linear stretch of road reserve and is therefore likely to have a consistent dieback status throughout the Proposal Area. Movement of soil may be required in non-dry conditions however all fill material required to complete the works will be cut to fill, meaning no import of sand to site is required. It is also worth noting that the Proposal Area is located on serpentine soils which are considered to be at lower risk of dieback compared to other soils due to physical and chemical properties that make them less hospitable to the Phytophthora cinnamomi pathogen (Shearer et al. 2004). In addition, limestone will be utilised for the subbase and basecourse, which is not known to be hospitable to dieback."	N/A
55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8 marked 'No' to the item stating: "Main Roads has been notified by DWER or an environmental specialist that the area to be cleared is susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback."	N/A

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56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	These measures are stated in CAR (MRWA, 2023), Appendix 1. VMP, Table 2: Dieback Management PEMR. (i) OB as per condition 10(a); (ii) N/A as per condition 10(b); (iii) Photographic evidence of clearing activities were provided. Photos show that part of the road was closed. A copy of Fulton Hogan 'Inspection & Test Plan - Clearing & Topsoil Removal (FHI-ITP-04)' register was provided. This register had a sign off on 5/09/23 to item 3: "Prior to the commencement of any clearing operation the clearing line shall be walked and confirmed by the MRWA PM (Delivery), Project / Site engineer (or supervisor) and Environmental Officer. Trees / other vegetation on or adjacent to the clearing line are to be identified for conservation at this stage and marked / protected accordingly prior to clearing works proceeding."	OB
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8 marked ' No ' to the item stating: "Weeds are likely to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition".	N/A

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Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	<p>The proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b) and (d) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).</p> <p>Correspondence letter from: DWER (Jessica Burton, A/Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - to: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Manager Environment) - subject: Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - Mitchell Freeway southbound Hodges on ramp - Request for approval of offset proposal - dated: 12/07/2023.</p> <p>DWER letter states that a monetary contribution of \$55,414 is required for the offset to counterbalance 100% of the significant residual impacts of the project.</p> <p>An offset invoice was not provided. However, an internal email shows an extract from the ledger showing the \$55,414 paid to DWER on 17/07/2023.</p>	C
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with principles (a), (b) and (d) as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A

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Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	<p>The Permit Holder must monitor:</p> <p>(i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit;</p> <p>(ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and</p> <p>(ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.</p>	<p>(i) The monitoring actions in the VMP relate to water quality if turbidity or sedimentation, erosion monitoring during clearing, and visual monitoring of fauna presence.</p> <p>SW Environmental report letter subject: (SW470) Binningup acceleration lane, Forrest Highway (circa 66.4 - 67.3 SLK), Binningup: Fauna preclearance survey results - to: Ian Mullins (MRWA Environmental Officer) - dated: 13/09/2023.</p> <p>The report letter confirms that a fauna spotter was present during clearing activities conducted on 6, 7 and 8 Sep 2023. It also mentioned that a western ring tail possum was captured and later euthanised.</p> <p>Evidence of erosion or water monitoring was not provided. Based on the CAR, it could be assumed that these were not required.</p> <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring which provides clear information about what monitoring is required.</p> <p>It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p> <p>(ii) N/A as per condition 9(a); (iii) N/A as per condition 11.</p>	C

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64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	<p>The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit:</p> <p>(a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit:</p> <p>(i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit;</p> <p>(ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit;</p> <p>(iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b);</p> <p>(iv) the location where the clearing occurred;</p> <p>(v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities;</p> <p>(vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile;</p> <p>(vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred;</p> <p>(viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and</p> <p>(ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.</p>	<p>(i) Section 1.6 of the CAR;</p> <p>(ii) CAR (MRWA, 2023);</p> <p>(iii) Compliant as per condition 8(a);</p> <p>(iv), (v) Section 1.4 of the CAR;</p> <p>(vi) N/A;</p> <p>(vii), (viii) and (ix) CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates.</p>	C

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65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	<p>In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions. 	<p>Evidence has been provided as:</p> <p>1. SW Environmental report letter subject: (SW470) Binningup acceleration lane, Forrest Highway (circa 66.4 - 67.3 SLK), Binningup: Fauna preclearance survey results - to: Ian Mullins (MRWA Environmental Officer) - dated: 13/09/2023. The report letter confirms that a fauna spotter was present during clearing activities conducted on 6, 7 and 8 Sep 2023. It also mentions that a western ring tail possum was captured and later euthanised.</p> <p>2. Internal MRWA correspondence email from: Jade Byrne (Asset Management Officer - Vegetation) - to: Anthony Willetts - subject: 147/16-0175 - REVEGETATION - 2023 Regional and Roadside Revegetation - Weed Control - Binningup , Myalup and Forestry Road - dated: 20/08/23. Email states: "Regarding the Binningup job on Forrest Hwy, Cape Life is booked to do weed control on Monday, September 4th".</p> <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) provides clear information about what management and monitoring actions will be implemented and what records will be kept.</p> <p>It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p>	C

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66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	(i) N/A as per condition 10(c); (ii), (iii) N/A as per condition 10(d); (iv) N/A as per condition 10(e); (v) OB. Controls under condition 10(f) were marked as OB due to no clean on exit points, as also noted in condition 10(a). Condition 10(g) is N/A for this project.	OB
68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) Correspondence letter from: DWER (Jessica Burton, A/Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - to: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Manager Environment) - subject: Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - Mitchell Freeway southbound Hodges on ramp - Request for approval of offset proposal - dated: 12/07/2023. (ii) An offset invoice was not provided. However, an internal email shows an extract from the ledger showing the \$55,414 paid to DWER on 17/07/2023. (iii) - (vii) N/A.	C

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69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C
71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C

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73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	N/A as per condition 14(i).	N/A
74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 7 of the CAR. However, CAR was not required to be published as per condition 14(e); (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted; (iv) N/A for this project as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	14(e) is not required as per condition 14(i). 14 (f) information is included in CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024). The report is still on MRWA website as reviewed in July 2025. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf	C
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) indicates that the clearing was approved on 12/05/2023. Clearing activities undertaken between 6/09/2023 and 8/09/2023.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	DWER approval letter (DWER, 2023) indicates that the clearing was approved on 12/05/2023. Clearing activities undertaken between 6/09/2023 and 8/09/2023.	C

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A

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87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	<p>Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23.</p> <p>Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.</p>	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023.</p> <p>Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Wheatbelt Region

Project:
GEH Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 3

Approved clearing area:
5.43 ha

Year:
2024

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	52
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		52
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	36
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2020 - Clearing Assessment Report - CPS 818 - Great Eastern Highway Upgrade Package 3 SLK 302.2 to 306.65 - EOS 1772 - November 2020 - D20#935082 / Redacted D22#1212145 (CAR (MRWA, 2020)).</p> <p>Section 2.1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020) states "Main Roads proposes to upgrade a 4.45 km section of GEH between the town sites of Carrabin and Bodallin."</p> <p>This item aligns with the activities listed in condition 1(a) (iii), (xiv) and (xvii).</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 5, Principle (h) states "The proposal area is marginally wider than the current road reserve to facilitate the widening of GEH. Main Roads has initiated the transfer of land from nature reserve into road reserve, which will result in widening the road reserve by 20 m either side of GEH. DBCA and the Conservation and Parks Commission of WA have endorsed the proposed land transfer. The proposed clearing will occur prior to the land transfer being finalised, therefore an approval under DBCA's Disturbance Approvals System will be sought."	C
3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles. The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (e), (f) and (h), not likely to be at variance to (b), (c), (g) and (i), and not at variance to (d) as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii), (iv) Proposal was not referred under Part IV of the EP Act or the EPBC Act.	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A

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6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA reported a total of 10.399 ha cleared within the Wheatbelt Region in 2024 as per clearing under CPS 818 Attachemnt 1: Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2024 (CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025)) Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/ . Wheatbelt Regional Clearing Limit was 120 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 2.4 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Project Clearing Impacts and Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Project Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 2.3 Alternatives to Clearing.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 2.3 Alternatives to Clearing.	C

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11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department’s “A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) 2.5 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2020) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C
14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2020) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 2.1 of the CAR indicates 5.43 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) The shapefiles for the proposed clearing area were provided; (v) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) N/A as per condition 10.	C

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15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2020).	C
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (e), (f) and (h), and is more than 0.5 ha as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	C as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2020).	C
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (e), (f) and (h) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020). An environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2020).	C
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department's "A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles states "each principle has been assessed in accordance with DWER's 'A Guide to the Assessment of Applications to Clear Native Vegetation'".	C

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20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (e), (f) and (h) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020). The CAR addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(c), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Section 3 of the CAR includes a summary of biological surveys; (ii) Vegetation condition mapping was provided within the biological survey undertaken by GHD in 2016. Reference: GHD - MRWA - Great Eastern Highway - Merredin to Southern Cross SLK 258.5-365.5 - Biological Assessment - February 2016. (iii) N/A as per condition 10(a). (iv) N/A. Section 5, Principle (f) states there are no wetlands in the vicinity of the Proposal area. (v) no additional surveys were required.	C
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (e), (f) and (h) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020). Biological surveys were referred and summarised in Section 3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020).	N/A

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22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	<p>Biological surveys referred in Section 3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020) were conducted by GHD, Astron, and Ecologia. Copies of the following reports were provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * GHD - MRWA - Great Eastern Highway - Merredin to Southern Cross SLK 258.5-365.5 - Biological Assessment - February 2016. * Ecologia - MRWA - Great Eastern Highway Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 3: SLK 302.2 to 306.5 - Targeted flora survey - February 2020. * Astron - Eastern Highway Upgrade SLK 302.2 – 306.5 - Threatened and Priority Ecological Community Assessment - October 2020 - Prepared for MRWA. <p>The following IBSA Submissions numbers were provided:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * GHD (2016) - IBSASUB-20201123-9F10E3E6; * Astron (2018) - IBSASUB-20201123-47804B93; * Astron (2020) - IBSASUB-20201123-2EE4C3AC; * Ecologia (2020) - IBSASUB-20201123-DF8A949D; and * MRWA (2020) - IBSASUB-20201123-C580A246 	C
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	<p>Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA.</p> <p>(i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.</p>	Compliant as per condition 7(e).	C
24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	<p>Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA.</p> <p>(i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.</p>	Compliant as per condition 7(e).	C

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25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2020).	C
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(i), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per condition 6(d); (ii) Compliant as per condition 7(c); (iii) Section 5 of the CAR; (iv) Appendix 1 of the CAR. The VMP was approved via correspondence letter from: DWER (Ryan Mincham - Manager native vegetation regulation) - to: MRWA (Freea Itzstein-Davey - Senior Environmental Officer) - subject: Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - Great Eastern Highway upgrade package 3 - SLK 302.2 to 306.5 - submission, approval of vegetation management plan and offset proposal - dated: 15/02/21 (DWER Approval letter (DWER, 2021)). (v) Section 5, principle (e) and Section 6 of the CAR.	C
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (e), (f) and (h) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020). A VMP is included as Appendix 1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020).	C

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	(i) Purpose and Scope sections of the VMP; (ii) Action section, Appendix 1.1 and Principal Environmental Management Requirements (PEMR) Appendix of the VMP; (iii) Responsibilities section of the VMP; (iv) PEMRs Appendix of the VMP. Tables divide the Standard Management Requirements into pre works, during works and post works. (v) The VMP does not include a monitoring and maintenance program. However, monitoring actions have been included within the PEMRs. Appendix 1.1 also includes a requirement for monitoring and it refers to: '•Specification 204 Environmental Management •Construction Environmental Management Plan •Superintendent's Contract Management Plan & Environmental Measurement and Evaluation Checklist.' (vi) The VMP does not specifically include actions to be taken in the event of NC. However, Appendix 1.1 includes a requirement for auditing and this refers to: '• Specification 204 Environmental Management • Superintendent's Contract Management Plan & Environmental Measurement and Evaluation Checklist.' (vii) N/A as per condition 9(a). Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring and non-compliance, as required under items (v) and (vi) of this condition. The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.	C
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 8(b).	N/A

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30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	DWER Approval letter (DWER, 2021).	C
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 7 states "Main Roads has undertaken stakeholder consultation in accordance with CPS 818/15 Condition 8. This has included publishing the CAR on the Main Roads website for a period of 21 days. No submissions were received via the Main Roads website."	C
32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	(i) MRWA internal communication email from: Rita Beric (Acting Digital Communications Manager) - to: Tiffany George (Environment and Heritage) - subject: Evidence of publication of CAR for submissions on the website - Project GEH Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 3 - dated: 19/09/2025. Email confirms that the CAR was published on MRWA website since 22/01/2021 to 12/02/2022. (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 7, Table 6 highlights the consultation that has been undertaken, including DBCA Regional Manager Wheatbelt, DBCA Land Unit Coordinator, DWER Drainage and Waterways Branch. Three invitation for submissions emails were provided as evidence. These emails were sent from MRWA to: * Wildflower Society; * Shire of Westonia; and * Shire of Yilgarn.	C

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33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (e), (f) and (h), not likely to be at variance to principles (b), (c), (g) and (i), and not at variance to principle (d) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (e), (f) and (h) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A	N/A
36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	(i), (ii), (iv) CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 7 states "This has included publishing the CAR on the Main Roads website for a period of 21 days." (iii) N/A as per condition 8(j). (v) Instructions are on the MRWA website. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/proposed-clearing/	C
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) is currently published on MRWA website, as checked in July 2025. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49edef/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2025/wheatbelt/1772-geh-walgoolan-to-southern-cross-package-3-cps-annual-clearing-report-2024.pdf	C

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38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 7 states "This has included publishing the CAR on the Main Roads website for a period of 21 days." MRWA internal communication email from: Rita Beric (Acting Digital Communications Manager) - to: Tiffaney George (Environment and Heritage) - subject: Evidence of publication of CAR for submissions on the website - Project GEH Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 3 - dated: 19/09/2025. Email confirms that the CAR was published on MRWA website since 22/01/2021 to 12/02/2021.	C
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 7, states "No submissions were received via the Main Roads website."	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. DWER Approval letter (DWER, 2021) indicates that clearing was approved on 15/02/2021. Clearing activities were undertaken between 12/11/2024 to 31/12/2024.	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	DWER Approval letter (DWER, 2021) indicates that clearing was approved on 15/02/2021. Clearing activities were undertaken between 12/11/2024 to 31/12/2024.	C
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works as per Section 2.1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; <p>Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.</p>	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met. 	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	N/A. The proposed clearing is South of the 26th parallel of latitude but is not within a region that has an average rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres, as per Section 5, Principle (j) of the CAR (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by: (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (e), (f) and (h) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020). DWER approved the offset monetary contribution of \$104,481 proposed, as per DWER Approval letter (DWER, 2021). A copy of DWER TAX Invoice No: RI005501 was provided. It shows records of a payment of \$104,481 done on 09/05/2024 to DWER, with a description stating "CPS 818/15 - Great Eastern HWY Project Att: Guy Watson MRWA".	C
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance to principles (a), (e), (f) and (h) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A

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Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	<p>The Permit Holder must monitor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal. 	<p>(i) The monitoring actions in the VMP relate to water quality if turbidity or sedimentation, erosion monitoring during clearing, and visual monitoring of fauna presence. An internal audit of the Wheatbelt CEMP Great Eastern Highway Walgoolan to Southern Cross Packages 3, 6, 8a, undertaken on 11/12/2024 by Guy Watson (MRWA, Senior Environmental Scientist) and Tiffany George (MRWA, Environment and Heritage) was provide.</p> <p>The internal audit results state: C - "No evidence of erosion or sedimentation at the time of the audit." OFI - "There have been no interactions with fauna or situations where Wildcare needed to be contacted. Fauna are allowed to move out of the way during clearing. However, potential fauna impacts are not on the weekly visual checklist, as required."</p> <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring which provides clear information about what monitoring is required.</p> <p>It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818. The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p> <p>(ii) N/A as per condition 9(a); (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).</p>	C

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64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	<p>The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit:</p> <p>(a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit:</p> <p>(i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit;</p> <p>(ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit;</p> <p>(iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b);</p> <p>(iv) the location where the clearing occurred;</p> <p>(v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities;</p> <p>(vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile;</p> <p>(vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred;</p> <p>(viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and</p> <p>(ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.</p>	<p>(i) Section 2.4 of the CAR;</p> <p>(ii) CAR (MRWA, 2020);</p> <p>(iii) As per condition 8(a);</p> <p>(iv) and (vi) The shapefiles of the clearing occurred were provided;</p> <p>(v) Section 2.1 of the CAR;</p> <p>(vii) N/A as the clearing area is greater than 0.5 ha (5.43 ha);</p> <p>(viii), (ix) CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates.</p>	C

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65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	<p>In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions. 	<p>MRWA advised that the actions in the VMP were undertaken during clearing in November and December 2024.</p> <p>Evidence of the cleared area being pegged correctly is confirmed by the release of a Hold Point provided as correspondence email from: Guy Watson (MRWA, Senior Environmental Scientist) - to: Sadeq Rahman (Acting Senior Project Manager Roads) - subject: C197/18-0115 - HP-18 - Package 3 - GW-0007 - CH 302.200 to 306.650 - dated: 18/11/2024. The email indicates that the clearing is inside the approved disturbance boundary.</p> <p>The VMP actions are generally covered by the CEMP. An internal audit of the CEMP undertaken on 11/12/2024 by Guy Watson (MRWA, Senior Environmental Scientist) and Tiffaney George (MRWA, Environment and Heritage) was provided.</p> <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) provides clear information about what management and monitoring actions will be implemented and what records will be kept.</p> <p>It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p>	C

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66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 10 (a).	N/A
68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) DWER Approval letter (DWER, 2021). (ii) Compliant as per condition 11(a). (iii) - (vii) N/A.	C

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69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C
71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C

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73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	N/A as per condition 14(i).	N/A
74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) N/A as per condition 8(h); (ii), (iii) and (v) MRWA website checked on 18/08/2025. CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/). (iv) N/A for this project as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	N/A as the 12 month period would be next year in June.	N/A
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. DWER Approval letter (DWER, 2021) indicates that clearing was approved on 15/02/2021. Clearing activities were undertaken between 12/11/2024 to 31/12/2024.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	DWER Approval letter (DWER, 2021) indicates that clearing was approved on 15/02/2021. Clearing activities were undertaken between 12/11/2024 to 31/12/2024.	C

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A

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87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	<p>Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23.</p> <p>Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.</p>	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023.</p> <p>Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Wheatbelt Region

Project:
GEH Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 6

Approved clearing area:
8.48 ha

Year:
2024

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	49
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		49
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	39
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2020 - Assessment Report and Vegetation Management Plan - Great Eastern Highway Upgrade Between SLK 327 & 339.8 - D20#560677 - October 2020 (CAR (MRWA, 2020)). Section 1.1 Project Information, Section 3 Proposal Description.</p> <p>Section 1.1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020) states "The purpose of the project is to widen and upgrade the surface for GEH, including associated drainage upgrades, intersection upgrades and upgrades to crossovers."</p> <p>These items align with the activities listed in Condition 1(a) (xiv) and (xviii).</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	<p>CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.3 Principle (e) states "The width of this corridor ranges between 100 m to 500 m and comprises Vacant Crown Land, redundant road reserve and freehold land."</p> <p>MRWA advised that most of the 4.767 ha cleared is located within road reserve or UCL apart from 0.001513 ha owned by St Bridges Pty Ltd.</p> <p>Correspondence letters and emails of liaison with landholders were provided.</p> <p>Additionally, MRWA advised the following: The statutory powers in the Act do provide for clearing native vegetation in connection with road-network or road-related works, so long as those works are within or connected to the functions of the Commissioner. The key points to this are: * The Commissioner may clear vegetation that is necessary for road works or road infrastructure or associated works, because these are within the scope of the functions in section 15B(1)(a), (b), (c), (f). * The Commissioner's functions are not strictly limited to lands owned by the Commissioner or the Crown; works can be done on behalf of other government agencies, local governments, or authorities, and on alienated and crown land.</p> <p>Accordingly, for project activities that are road-related (i.e. works for highways, main roads, other roads, extracting road building materials, traffic infrastructure, etc.), the Commissioner holds power to clear native vegetation to the extent such clearing is required.</p>	C

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3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The clearing was not likely to be seriously at variance. The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (e) and (f), not likely to be at variance to principles (a), (b), (c), (g), (i), and (j), and not at variance to principles (d), and (h), as per Section 5.3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii), (iv) MRWA responded 'No' to 'The proposal requires referral to either the WA EPA or the Commonwealth DAWE' as per Section 7 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022).	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	Not Applicable (N/A) as per condition 2(a)(iii).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per conditions 2(a)(iii) and 2(b).	N/A

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6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA reported a total of 10.399 ha cleared within the Wheatbelt Region in 2024 as per clearing under CPS 818 Attachemnt 1: Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2024 (CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025)) Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/ . Wheatbelt Regional Clearing Limit was 120 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.1 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Mitigate and Manage Project Clearing Impacts and Table 2 Justification of Avoiding, Minimising, Mitigating and Managing Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.1 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Mitigate and Manage Project Clearing Impacts and Table 2 Justification of Avoiding, Minimising, Mitigating and Managing Clearing Impacts.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.1 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Mitigate and Manage Project Clearing Impacts.	C

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11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department's "A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 4.1 Desktop Assessment and Section 5.3 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	An Assessment Report has been prepared. Ref: MRWA - 2020 - CAR - Great Eastern Highway Upgrade Between SLK 327 & 339.8 - D20#560677 - October 2020 (CAR (MRWA, 2020)). The CAR (MRWA, 2020) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C

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14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2020) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 1.1 of the CAR indicates 8.48 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) Shapefiles of proposed clearing were provided; (v) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5.3 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) N/A as per condition 10.	C
15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (e) and (f), not likely to be at variance to principles (a), (b), (c), (g), (i), and (j), and not at variance to principles (d), and (h) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2020).	C
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance with principles (e) and (f), and is more than 0.5 ha as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2020).	N/A

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17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts - desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	C as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f). An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2020).	C
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (e) and (f) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020). An environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2020) Sections 4.1 and 6.	C
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department's "A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.3 Assessment against the ten clearing principles states "each principle has been assessed in accordance with DWER's 'A Guide to the Assessment of Applications to Clear Native Vegetation'".	C
20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (e) and (f) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020). The CAR addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(c), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Section 6 of the CAR includes a summary of biological surveys; (ii) Part of the vegetation condition mapping and Eucalypt Woodlands TEC mapping is provided as Appendix A. The vegetation condition for the entire area is included in the GHD (2016) - MRWA - Great Eastern Highway - Merredin to Southern Cross SLK 258.5 - 365.5 - Biological Assessment - February 2016. (iii) N/A as per condition 10. (iv) N/A. Section 5.3, Principle (f) states that there are no wetlands within the vicinity of the proposal area (GIS Database). (v) No additional surveys were required.	C

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21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with principles (e) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2020). Biological surveys were referred and summarised in Sections 4.1 and 6 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	Biological surveys referred in Section 4.1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) were conducted by GHD, Astron, and Ecologia. Copies of the reports were provided, as follows: * GHD (2016) - MRWA - Great Eastern Highway - Merredin to Southern Cross SLK 258.5 - 365.5 - Biological Assessment - February 2016; * Astron (2018) - Great Eastern Highway Merredin to Southern Cross SLK 258.5 - 365.5 Biological Assessment - September 2018 - Prepared for MRWA; * Ecologia (2019a) - MRWA - Great Eastern Highway 327 - 365.8 SLK - Desktop Assessment - August 2019; and * Ecologia (2019b) - Great Eastern Highway Walgoolan to Southern Cross - Package 6 to 8: SLK 327 TO 365.8 - Targeted Flora Survey - February 2020.	C
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance - Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	Copies of reports were provided as per condition 7(e). The reports include reference to the EPA Technical Guidance. Evidence of IBSA package submission for the GHD (2016) and Astron (2018) reports were provided, as follows: * Correspondence email from Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessment (IBSA) - To: Ryan Hepworth from MRWA - Subject: Accepted - IBSASUB-20200723-571C43D2 - Dated: 23/07/2020. * Correspondence email from IBSA - To: Ryan Hepworth from MRWA - Subject: Accepted - IBSASUB-20200723-AD29CBA1 - Dated: 24/07/2020.	C

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24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	As per condition 7(f).	C
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2020).	C
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(i), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) PENDING Compliance as per condition 6(d); (ii) PENDING Compliance as per condition 7(c); (iii) Section 5.3 of the CAR; (iv) Appendix B of the CAR. VMP was approved by DWER on 26/08/2020, as per correspondence letter from DWER (Meenu Vitarana - A/Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - To: MRWA (Jordan Tindiglia - Senior Environmental Officer - Environmental Branch) - Subject: Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 _ Great Eastern Highway Upgrade _ SLK 327 to 339.8 _ Submission, Approval of Vegetation Management Plan and Offset Proposal - Dated: 26/08/2020 (Clearing Approval Letter (DWER, 2020)). (v) PENDING Compliance as per condition 11.	C
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (e) and (f) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020). A VMP is included as Appendix B of the CAR.	C

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	The VMP, Appendix B of the CAR (MRWA, 2020), addresses all the requirements specified under condition 7(k), where applicable. The following sections were noted with respect to the various requirements: (i) Purpose and Scope section of the VMP; (ii) Action section, Appendix B1 and Appendix B2 of the VMP; (iii) Responsibilities section of the VMP; (iv) Appendix B1 of the VMP. Tables divide the Principal Environmental Management Requirements (PEMRs) into pre works, during works and post works. (v) The VMP does not include a monitoring and maintenance program. However, monitoring actions have been included within the PEMRs. MRWA has advised to refer to the Construction Environmental Management Plan of the project; (vi) The VMP PEMRs include three events that should be reported as environmental incidents; (vii) N/A as per condition 9(a). Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring and non-compliance, as required under items (v) and (vi) of this condition. The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.	C
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 8(b).	N/A

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30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	Clearing Approval Letter (DWER, 2020).	C
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 8, states "Main Roads has also sought online submissions from interested stakeholders for this proposal as it is at variance with at least one of the ten clearing principles".	C
32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	(i) N/A as per condition 8(i). (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2020) Section 8, Table 7 highlights the consultation that has been undertaken, including DWER Native vegetation and conservation branch, Shire of Yilgarn and Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH). Correspondence emails inviting submissions from the Shire of Yilgarn and DPLH sent on 23/07/2020 and 17/11/2020, respectively, were provided. The Auditor asked how MRWA select relevant A, B, C and D were selected. MRWA advised that the Shire and DPLH (UCL) required to be notified. As no Threatened flora was to be taken, no other interested party invites required.	C
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (e) and (f), not likely to be at variance to principles (a), (b), (c), (g), (i), and (j), and not at variance to principles (d), and (h) as per the CAR (MRWA, 2020).	N/A

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34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is at variance to principles (e) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A.	N/A
36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	(i), (ii) and (iv) information was included in the CAR (2020); however, CAR was not required to be published as per conditions 14(h) and 14(i). (iii) N/A as per condition 8(i). (v) Instructions are on the MRWA website. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/proposed-clearing/	C
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	N/A as per condition 8(i).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	MRWA provided a screenshot showing the 2058 - Great Eastern Highway - Wheatbelt submissions opened on 3/11/2020 and closed on 24/11/2020.	C
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 8(i).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	Clearing was approved on 26/08/2020 as per DWER Letter of Approval (DWER, 2020).	C
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	Clearing was approved on 26/08/2020 as per DWER Letter of Approval (DWER, 2020).	C
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works as per Section 1.1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020).	N/A

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43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by: (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including: (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	N/A. The proposed clearing is South of the 26th parallel of latitude but is not within a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres, as per Section 5.3, Principle (j) and Section 7 of the CAR (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log. 	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen. 	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared. 	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	Correspondence email from DWER (Meenu Vitarana - A/Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - To: MRWA (Jordan Tindiglia - Senior Environmental Officer) - Subject: Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - Great Eastern Highway Upgrade - SLK 327 to 339.8 - Approval of revised offset proposal - Dated: 18/09/2020 (Approval of revised offset proposal (DWER, 2020)). Evidence of monetary contribution was provided. DWER Invoice No: RI004046 - Date: 10/11/2022 - Description: CPS 818/15 Offset ATT: Ryan Hepworth Great Eastern Hwy Upgrade SLK 327-339 - Total amount due: \$142,785.00	C
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as a monetary contribution was agreed and approved by DWER as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is at variance with principles (e) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as a monetary contribution was agreed and approved by DWER as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as a monetary contribution was agreed and approved by DWER as per condition 11(a).	N/A

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Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	<p>The Permit Holder must monitor:</p> <p>(i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit;</p> <p>(ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and</p> <p>(ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.</p>	<p>(i) The monitoring actions in the VMP relate to water sampling if sedimentation, and erosion monitoring during clearing.</p> <p>An internal audit of the Wheatbelt CEMP Great Eastern Highway Walgoolan to Southern Cross Packages 3, 6, 8a, undertaken on 11/12/2024 by Guy Watson (MRWA, Senior Environmental Scientist) and Tiffaney George (MRWA, Environment and Heritage) was provided.</p> <p>The internal audit states "No evidence of erosion or sedimentation at the time of the audit." and "Stockpiles in laydowns and in pits. No declared weeds no visual signs of erosion."</p> <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) includes a specific section for monitoring which provides clear information about what monitoring is required.</p> <p>It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p> <p>(ii) N/A as per condition 9(a); (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).</p>	C

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64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	<p>The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit:</p> <p>(a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit:</p> <p>(i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit;</p> <p>(ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit;</p> <p>(iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b);</p> <p>(iv) the location where the clearing occurred;</p> <p>(v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities;</p> <p>(vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile;</p> <p>(vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred;</p> <p>(viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and</p> <p>(ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.</p>	<p>(i) Section 5.1 of the CAR;</p> <p>(ii) CAR (MRWA, 2020);</p> <p>(iii) Section 8, Table 7 of the CAR includes a list of stakeholders consulted; Correspondence emails and letters were provided as mentioned in condition 8(a);</p> <p>(iv) As per section 3.1 and Figure 3 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022);</p> <p>(v) Section 1.1 of the CAR;</p> <p>(vi) Shapefiles were provided;</p> <p>(vii) N/A as the clearing area is greater than 0.5 ha (8.48 ha);</p> <p>(viii) (ix) CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates.</p>	C
65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	<p>In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit:</p> <p>(i) a description of management actions undertaken;</p> <p>(ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action;</p> <p>(iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and</p> <p>(iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.</p>	<p>The VMP actions are generally covered by the CEMP. An internal audit of the CEMP undertaken on 11/12/2024 by Guy Watson (MRWA, Senior Environmental Scientist) and Tiffaney George (MRWA, Environment and Heritage) was provide.</p> <p>Note. MRWA advised that the VMP structure has been improved. The new VMP template (2025 version) provides clear information about what management and monitoring actions will be implemented and what records will be kept.</p> <p>It is noted that this condition was introduced in more recent versions of the CPS 818.</p> <p>The VMP for the Indian Ocean Drive Jurien to Brand Hwy Upgrade Stage 2 widening Project is a good example of the VMP structure has been improving.</p>	C

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66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 10 (a).	N/A
68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	Approval of revised offset proposal (DWER, 2020). Evidence of monetary contribution was provided. DWER Invoice No: RI004046 - Date: 10/11/2022 - Description: CPS 818/15 Offset ATT: Ryan Hepworth Great Eastern Hwy Upgrade SLK 327-339 - Total amount due: \$142,785.00	C
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A

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70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C
71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	Clearing was approved on 26/08/2020 as per DWER Letter of Approval (DWER, 2020).	C
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	Clearing was approved on 26/08/2020 as per DWER Letter of Approval (DWER, 2020).	C

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A

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87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	<p>Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23.</p> <p>Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.</p>	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023.</p> <p>Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Goldfields-Esperance Region

Project:
Bromus material Pit

Approved clearing area:
53.3 ha

Year:
2023

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	30
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		30
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	58
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2022 - Clearing Assessment Report (CAR) - CPS 818 - Bromus Material Extraction 2023 Coolgardie Esperance Highway (H010) - Coolgardie Esperance Region - EOS: 1188 - D22#1174360 - November 2022 (CAR (MRWA, 2022)).</p> <p>Section 1.1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022) states "Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) proposes to extract approximately 200,000m3 of gravel from the Bromus material extraction pit (the Proposal) following material investigations undertaken across the site in May 2021. These investigations were undertaken to determine the presence and quality of road construction material for the Goldfields Esperance Region (GER) to use in various road projects as required over the coming years."</p> <p>These items align with the activities listed in Condition 1(a)(xvi).</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	MRWA advised that Works are being undertaken with authority granted under the <i>Land Administration Act 1997</i> . A copy of the following documentation was provided: * LDP 2260-100 - H010 CEH 214.7 SLK - Coolgardie Esperance Highway - H010 - Land Dealings - Lots 30.45 & UCL 214.7 SLK - Drawing Number: 2260-100. * Correspondence letter to MRWA - Subject: Authorisation to occupy and use land temporarily for the purpose of road construction works and road upgrade projects, a public work under s. 185(1) Land Administration Act 1997 (LAA) - From: Executive Director Finance and Commercial Services - Dated: 14 Nov 22.	C
3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The clearing was not likely to be seriously at variance. As per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022), the proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance with principles (a), (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j) and not at variance with (d) and (f). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii) MRWA advised "the clearing is not at variance to any of the clearing principles. Clearing was assessed by CRSP (Central Review and submission process). Clearing was not a significant environmental impact and therefore was not referred to the EPA." (iv) MRWA advised "the proposed clearing will not have a significant impact on significant flora or fauna, as discussed in CRSP endorsement. No significant impact on controlled action under the EPBC Act".	C

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4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a)(iii).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a)(iii).	N/A
6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date:	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA website - Attachment 1 Purpose Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2023 - retrieved from: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf (CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024)). MRWA reported a total of 54.74 ha cleared within the Goldfields - Esperance Region in 2023. Goldfields - Esperance Regional Clearing Limit is 200 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C

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Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 1.5 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts, Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 1.4 subheading Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development and Section 1.5 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts, Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 1.4 subheading Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department’s “A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 2.2 Desktop Assessment and Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 1.6 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C

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13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2022) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C
14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2022) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a), 5(b) and 5(c); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 1.2 of the CAR indicates 53.3 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) Shapefiles of clearing area were provided; (v) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) N/A as per condition 10(a).	C
15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	The proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance with principles (a), (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j) and not at variance with (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2022). Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A

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16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	The proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance with principles (a), (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j) and not at variance with (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2022). Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	N/A as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f). Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2022). Nevertheless, an environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department's "A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A

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20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A

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24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a).	N/A
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a).	N/A
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance with principles (a), (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j) and not at variance with (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance with principles (a), (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j), and not at variance with (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance with principles (a), (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j), and not at variance with (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A

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32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per conditions 8(a) and 8(b).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A

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36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	N/A as per condition 8(a) and 8 (b).	N/A
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	N/A as per condition of 8(e).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 8(a) and 8 (b).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works, as per Section 7 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by: (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including; (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	N/A. CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 7 states that the proposal is not within a Region that has rainfall greater than 400mm and is South of the 26th parallel.	N/A
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by: (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance with principles (a), (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j), and not at variance with (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance with principles (a), (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j), and not at variance with (d) and (f) as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A

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61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(j). (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a). (iii) N/A as per condition 11.	N/A
64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 1.5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022); (ii) CAR; (iii) N/A as per conditions 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) Section 1.3 and Figure 1 of the CAR; (v) Section 1.4 of the CAR; (vi) Compliant as per condition 6(d); (vii) N/A; (viii), (ix) MRWA website - CPS 818 Clearing Activities Annual Compliance Written Report 2023 - Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf .	C

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65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 10(a)	N/A

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68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11.	N/A
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C

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71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	N/A as per condition 14(i).	N/A
74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) N/A as per condition 8(h). (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted. (iv) N/A as per condition 9.	C

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75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	14(e) is not required as per condition 14(i). 14 (f) information is included in CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) and is still on MRWA website as reviewed in July 2025. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf	C
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. Clearing activities were undertaken between 3/5/2023 and 4/5/2023.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	Clearing activities were undertaken between 3/5/2023 and 4/5/2023.	C
78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C

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79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C
82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C

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84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A
87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23. Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.	C

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88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023.</p> <p>Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Great Southern Region

Project:
Bridge Replacement - Bridge 5023A, Jerramungup River

Approved clearing area:
0.89 ha

Year:
2023

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	36
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		36
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	52
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2021 - Clearing Assessment Report (CAR) - CPS 818 - Bridge 5023B Springdale Road over Jerdacuttup River - EOS: 1364 - D21#1039146/D24#334008 - December 2021 (CAR (MRWA, 2021)).</p> <p>Section 2 of the CAR (MRWA, 2021) outlines that "Bridge 5023A is nearing the end of its design life and now requires replacement. This Proposal involves the construction of a new bridge (5023B)."</p> <p>This activity aligns with the activity listed in condition 1(a)(ii).</p> <p>The auditor noted that the CAR (MRWA, 2021) provided includes details of Bridge 5023B, rather than Bridge 5023A as per clearing reported in 2023 to DWER.</p> <p>MRWA advised "The original structure, identified as 5023A, has been replaced with a new structure designated 5023B at the same location. Structure 5023B serves as the replacement for structure 5023A".</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	MRWA advised "the Proposal area covers road reserve, unallocated crown land and two freehold lots (paddocks) on the eastern side of the Proposal area. Relevant access approvals/agreements have been obtained including approval from a landowner to clear vegetation on their land". Correspondence emails were provided as evidence from the Shire of Ravensthorpe, landowner (Kevin Hallam) and Department of Planning, Land and Heritage (DPLH) land management central, indicating approval of land to be cleared.	C
3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2021). The proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance with principles (a), (b), (c), (g) and (i), and not at variance with (d), (e), (f), (h) and (j). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii); (iv) As advised by MRWA, it could be assumed that referrals were not required as the proposed clearing was not at variance with any of the clearing principles.	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a).	N/A

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5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a).	N/A
6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA website - Attachment 1 Purpose Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2023 - retrieved from: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf (CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024)). MRWA reported a total of 0.41 ha cleared within the Great Southern Region in 2023. South West Regional Clearing Limit is 75 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2021) Section 2.4 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts. Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C

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9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2021) Section 2.3 Alternatives to Clearing.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2021) Section 2.3 Alternatives to Clearing.	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department’s “A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	CAR (MRWA, 2021) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2021) Section 2.5 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2021) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C

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14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	<p>The Desktop Report must set out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit. 	<p>The CAR (MRWA, 2021) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a), 5(b) and 5(c); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) A discrepancy of the clearing required for the project was identified between the CAR (MRWA, 2021) and CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024). Section 2 of the CAR indicates 0.64 ha of proposed clearing; while CPS 818 Report 2023 indicates 0.89 ha. <p>MRWA advised that "the 2023 CPS818 Annual Report to DWER identified a proposed clearing area of 0.89 ha. However, this figure was inaccurately reported. The site was cleared under both an exemption via a Bed and Bank permit and CPS818. The total proposed clearing area associated with these two permits is 0.89 hectares. Clearing approved under CPS 818 was 0.64ha, however, only 0.145 ha was cleared".</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (iv) Shapefiles of proposed clearing were provided; (v) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) N/A as per conditions 10(c) and 10(d). 	C
15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	<p>An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). 	<p>N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles. Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2021).</p>	N/A

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16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles. Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2021).	N/A
17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	N/A as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f).	N/A
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles, as per the CAR (MRWA, 2021).	N/A
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department’s “A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A

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21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles, as per the CAR (MRWA, 2021).	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A

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26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a).	N/A
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	N/A. VMP is not required as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2021).	N/A
28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 7(j).	N/A
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 7(j).	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2021).	N/A

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31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2021).	N/A
32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per conditions 8(a) and 8(b).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A

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36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	N/A as per condition 8(a) and 8 (b).	N/A
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder’s website.	N/A as per condition of 8(e).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 8(a) and 8 (b).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposal does not involve temporary clearing, as per Sections 2 and 6 of the CAR (MRWA, 2021).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by: (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including; (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	CAR (MRWA, 2021) Section 6 states that the proposal is within a Region that has rainfall greater than 400mm and is South of the 26th parallel. (a) As per Section 6 CAR (MRWA, 2021) Proceed with standard Vehicle and Plant management actions from PEMR's and Vehicle and Plant Hygiene Checklists. The 'Bridge 5023B Audit evidence - 13 July 2023' document contains evidence from an internal site audit conducted during works. It includes three Hygiene checklists completed in May and June 2023.	C
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	MRWA advised that "material brought onto site was from Fletchers quarry (free of weeds etc). Also has high limestone content so reduces potential for dieback to be present." Note. There is not dieback certification system in place.	C
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2021) states that works are not necessary in 'Other than dry conditions' in Section 6; and that 'There are no DBCA managed lands within the Proposal area' in Section 5.	N/A

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54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log. 	N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2021) states that works are not necessary in 'Other than dry conditions' in Section 6.	N/A
55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen. 	N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2021) Section 6 marked 'No' to the item stating: "Main Roads has been notified by DWER or an environmental specialist that the area to be cleared is susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback."	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) As per condition 10(a); (ii) As per condition 10(b); and (iii) The 'Bridge 5023B Audit evidence - 13 July 2023' document contains evidence from an internal site audit conducted during works. It includes photos that show clearing limits marked with flagging tape and traffic cones that marked the way for vehicles to move around the project area. From these photos, vehicles/machinery seem to be within the limits of the area to be cleared. 	C

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57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	Internal MRWA correspondence email subject: Bridge 5023B - sent to: Tiffany George (Environmental and Heritage) - From: Guy Watson (Environmental and Heritage) - Dated: 9/09/25. Email indicates that weed spray and rehab works at Bridge 5023B were conducted after bridge completed.	C
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(j). (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a). (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A

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64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 2.4 of the CAR; (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2021); (iii) N/A as per condition 7(j); (iv) and (v) Section 2.1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2021); (vi) N/A as clearing undertaken was less than 0.5 ha; (vii), (viii), (ix) MRWA website - CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024). Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf	C
65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	(i) N/A as per condition 10(c); (ii), (iii) N/A as per condition 10(d); (iv) N/A as per condition 10(e); (v) Conformance as per conditions 10(f) and 10(g).	C
68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C

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70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C
71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	Not required as per condition 14(i).	C

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74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(n). (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted. (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	14(e) is not required as per condition 14(i). 14 (f) information is included in CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) and is still on MRWA website as reviewed in July 2025. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf	C
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as clearing activities were undertaken between 16/6/2023 and 18/6/2023.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	Clearing activities were undertaken between 16/6/2023 and 18/6/2023.	C

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C

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86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A
87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23. Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Kimberley Region

Project:
New Fitzroy River Bridge

Approved clearing area:
38.23 ha

Year:
2023

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	30
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		30
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	58
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2023 - Clearing Desktop Report (CDR) - CPS 818 - New Fitzroy River Bridge - Great Northern Highway (H006) Bidge no. 1131 - Kimberley Region / OMTID - EOS no.: 2958 - D23#245916 - April 2023 (CDR (MRWA, 2023)).</p> <p>Section 1.1 of the CDR (MRWA, 2023) "Main Roads is proposing to replace the Fitzroy River bridge (bridge no. 1131)".</p> <p>This activity aligns with the activity listed in condition 1(a)(ii).</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	<p>The auditor has questioned if Main Roads has the power to carry out these project activities.</p> <p>MRWA has advised the following: The statutory powers in the Act do provide for clearing native vegetation in connection with road-network or road-related works, so long as those works are within or connected to the functions of the Commissioner.</p> <p>The key points to this are: * The Commissioner may clear vegetation that is necessary for road works or road infrastructure or associated works, because these are within the scope of the functions in section 15B(1)(a), (b), (c), (f). * The Commissioner's functions are not strictly limited to lands owned by the Commissioner or the Crown; works can be done on behalf of other government agencies, local governments, or authorities, and on alienated and crown land.</p> <p>Accordingly, for project activities that are road-related (i.e. works for highways, main roads, other roads, extracting road building materials, traffic infrastructure, etc.), the Commissioner holds power to clear native vegetation to the extent such clearing is required.</p>	C

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3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles as per Section 5 of the CDR (MRWA, 2023). The proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance with principles (b) and (i), and not at variance with (a), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (j). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii); (iv) As advised by MRWA, it could be assumed that (iii) and (iv) were not required as the proposed clearing was not at variance with any of the clearing principles.	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a).	N/A

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6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA website - Attachment 1 Purpose Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2023 - retrieved from: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf (CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024)). MRWA reported a total of 97.56 ha cleared within the Kimberly Region in 2023. Regional Clearing Limit is 500 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CDR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts. Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C

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9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CDR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CDR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department’s “A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	CDR (MRWA, 2023) Section 4 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CDR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.7 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	CDR (MRWA, 2023).	C

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14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CDR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a), 5(b) and 5(c); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 1.4 of the CDR indicates 38.23 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) Shapefiles were provided; (v) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 4 of the CDR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) N/A as per condition 10(a).	C
15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	N/A as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f).	N/A
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department’s “A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a).	N/A
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a).	N/A
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	N/A. VMP is not required as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A

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36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder’s website.	N/A as per condition of 8(e).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works, as per Section 5 of the CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by: (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including; (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	N/A. CDR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5 states that the proposal is not within a Region that has rainfall greater than 400mm or is South of the 26th parallel.	N/A
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by: (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(j). (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a). (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 1.6 of the CDR; (ii) CDR (MRWA, 2023); (iii) N/A as per conditions 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) and (vi) shapefiles were provided; (v) Section 1.4 of the CDR; (vii) N/A; (viii), (ix) MRWA website - CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) (https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/).	C

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65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 10(a)	N/A

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68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11.	N/A
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C

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71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	MRWA advised that condition 14(e) is not applicable as the CDR was authorised under CPS818 permit prior to 30 June 2023 (14 (i)). Nevertheless, CDR (MRWA, 2023) is published on MRWA website. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49e894/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/kimberley/2958-new-fitzroy-river-bridge-cps-annual-clearing-report-2023.pdf	C

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74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(n). (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted. (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	14(e) is not required as per condition 14(i). 14 (f) information is included in CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) and is still on MRWA website as reviewed in July 2025. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf	C
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. Clearing activities were undertaken between 01/04/2023 and 31/12/2023	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A. Clearing activities were undertaken between 01/04/2023 and 31/12/2023.	N/A

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C

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86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A
87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23. Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Metropolitan Region

Project:
Mitchell Freeway Southbound Widening and Smart Freeway Hester to Warwick

Approved clearing area:
2.4 ha

Year:
2024

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	34
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		34
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	54
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <p>(i) to construct new roads;</p> <p>(ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road;</p> <p>(iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000;</p> <p>(iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000;</p> <p>(v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area;</p> <p>(vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area;</p> <p>(vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas;</p> <p>(viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas;</p> <p>(ix) to establish new temporary works;</p> <p>(x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths;</p> <p>(xi) to establish new rest areas and camps;</p> <p>(xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps;</p> <p>(xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks;</p> <p>(xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents:</p> <p>(A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure;</p> <p>(B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line;</p> <p>(C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width;</p> <p>(xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management;</p> <p>(xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials;</p> <p>(xvii) road realignment;</p> <p>(xviii) road widening.</p> <p>(xix) project surveys; and</p> <p>(xx) pre-construction activities.</p>	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2022 - Clearing Assessment Report - CPS 818 - Mitchell Freeway Southbound - Construction of Noise Walls and Principal Shared Path (PSP) between Hepburn Avenue and Warwick Train Station - D20#713066 - November 2022 (CAR (MRWA, 2022)).</p> <p>Section 1.2 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022) states "Main Roads proposed to upgrade of the verge of Mitchell Freeway between Hepburn Avenue and Warwick Train Station which incorporates the construction of the following elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A PSP to connect with existing PSPs and upgrading existing PSPs to modern standards; • The construction of a noise wall; and • Drainage modifications." <p>These activities align with the activities listed in condition 1(a)(x), (xiv).</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	MRWA advised "most of the clearing area lies within the road reserve. Some parts are managed by the local council. This is part of a much larger project and the consultation with relevant stakeholder is being conducted". The following documentation was provided: Letter from MRWA (Ref: D21#409900) - To: City of Joondalup - Subject: Consent to apply for native vegetation clearing as part of the Mitchell Freeway PSP gaps project (Ocean Reef Road to Hepburn Avenue) - Dated: 23/04/2021.	C
3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022). The proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance with principles (a), (b), (e), (h) and (i) and is not at variance with principles (c), (d), (f), (g) and (j). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii), (iv) No referrals were required as per correspondence email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema - Manager Environment) - To: Office of Major Transport Infrastructure Delivery (OMTID; Alanna Stern - Project / Contract Manager) - Subject: ME Endorsment: Mitchell Fwy Southbound Upgrade Optional Works 2 - Dated 10/02/2021.	C

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4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a)(iii).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a)(iii).	N/A
6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	Clearing under CPS 818 Attachment 1: Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2024 (CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025)). (https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/). MRWA reported a total of 0.97 ha cleared within the Metropolitan area in 2024. Metropolitan Regional Clearing Limit is 100 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C

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Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts. Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department’s “A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 1.7 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2022) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C

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14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	<p>The Desktop Report must set out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit. 	<p>The CAR (MRWA, 2022) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a), 5(b) and 5(c); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 1.4 of the CAR indicates 2.40 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) Shapefiles of proposed clearing (Optional Works 2) were provided; (v) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) Section 8, Table 5. 	C
15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	<p>An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). 	<p>N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2022). Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2022).</p>	N/A
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	<p>Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; <p>the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.</p>	<p>N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2022). Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2022).</p>	N/A

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17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	N/A as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f).	N/A
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department’s “A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A

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22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a).	N/A
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a).	N/A
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A

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32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A

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36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	N/A as per condition of 8(e).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A. The proposed clearing does not involve temporary works, as per Sections 1.4 and 8 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; <p>Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.</p>	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met. 	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 8 answers "Yes" to "Project is within Region that: - Has rainfall greater than 400mm and - Is South of the 26th parallel and - Works are in 'Other than dry conditions' and - Works have potential for uninfested areas to be impacted." JBS&G Hester Warwick Alliance Environmental Management Plan Audit - MRWA - Audit Report - JBS&G 68362 - 14 April 2025. Audit report (JBS&G, 2025) states compliance to "Utilise, Vehicle and Equipment Weed & Seed Checklist form to check that all machinery and vehicles are clean on-site entry and exit (i.e., free of soil and vegetation)".	C
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	Audit report (JBS&G, 2025) states that "Evidence was provided that limestone brought on site was dieback free".	C
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A Section 8 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022) states that the proposed clearing does not require clearing within or adjacent to DBCA estate in non-dry conditions.	N/A

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54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by:</p> <p>(i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing;</p> <p>(ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas;</p> <p>(iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing;</p> <p>(iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas;</p> <p>(v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas;</p> <p>(vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared;</p> <p>(vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and</p> <p>(viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.</p>	<p>N/A. CAR (MRWA, 2022) states that works are necessary in 'Other than dry conditions' and the vegetation to be cleared is not located in or adjacent to any conservation reserves or lands managed by DBCA. However, there was not a dieback free area.</p> <p>Hester Warwick Alliance (HWA) - Smart Freeway Mitchell Southbound - Hester Avenue to Warwick road upgrade - Environmental Management Plan - 39021-ENV-PL-001 - Rev 6 - 05/12/2022 (EMP (HWA, 2022)).</p> <p>EMP states "Dieback may be present within the Project area, due to the low density of indicator species it is difficult to determine if dieback is present across the Project area. The entire Project area will be treated as "dieback uninterpretable" and HWA will take appropriate precautions to avoid introducing dieback to the site or spreading from the site to other area".</p> <p>EMP Section 27 Hygiene Management includes management, monitoring and contingency actions to be undertaken.</p>	N/A
55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must:</p> <p>(i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist;</p> <p>(ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.</p>	<p>N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 8 marked 'No' to the item stating: "Main Roads has been notified by DWER or an environmental specialist that the area to be cleared is susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback."</p>	N/A

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56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	(i) as per condition 10(a); (ii) as per condition 10(b); and (iii) Audit Report (JBS&G, 2025) states compliance to "Restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared for the construction of the PSP and noise walls between Ocean Reef Road and Hepburn Ave".	C
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	Correspondence email from NRW Civil & Mining (Brendan Selley - Engineer - Mitchell Freeway H2H Billings) - To: MRWA (Clare Collett - Senior Environmental Officer) - Subject: External audit of CPS 818 between now and November 2025 - Dated: 3/07/2025. Correspondence email provides weed spraying event records from October 2022 until June 2025.	C
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A

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Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(j). (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a). (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 1.6 of the CAR; (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2022); (iii) N/A as per condition 7(n); (iv) and (v) Section 1.4 of the CAR; (vi) N/A actual clearing was 0.294; (vii), (viii), (ix) MRWA website - CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025). Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/ .	C
65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A

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66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	(i) N/A as per condition 10(c); (ii), (iii) N/A as per condition 10 (d); (iv) N/A as per condition 10(e); (v) Compliant as per conditions 10(f) and 10(g).	C
68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11.	N/A

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69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C
71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C

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73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	N/A as per condition 14(i). Nevertheless, CAR is published on MRWA website. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49ecd5/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2025/metropolitan/1969-mitchell-freeway-southbound-widening-and-smart-freeway-hester-to-warwick-cps-annual-clearing-report-2024.pdf	N/A
74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) N/A as per condition 8(h). (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amounts of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted. (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	N/A as the 12 month period would be next year in June.	N/A
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. MRWA advised that CAR was approved on 21/12/2022. Clearing activities were undertaken between 1/1/2024 and 31/12/2024.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	MRWA advised that CAR was approved on 21/12/2022. Clearing activities were undertaken between 1/1/2024 and 31/12/2024.	C

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C

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86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A
87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23. Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Mid West-Gascoyne Region

Project:
Geraldton Mt Magnet Rd - Materials Pit 154 SLK LHS

Approved clearing area:
100 ha

Year:
2024

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	29
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		29
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	59
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2023- Clearing Assessment Report - CPS 818 - Geraldton - Mt Magnet Road Material Pits SLK [REDACTED] - Geraldton - MT Magnet Road (H050) Midwest - EOS: 2664 - D23#873677 - September 2023 (CAR (MRWA, 2023)). Section 1.2 Proposal Scope.</p> <p>Section 1.2 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) states "The proposal involves the investigation and stockpiling of suitable road building materials for maintenance and construction purposes with one pit location along Geraldton- Mt Magnet Road."</p> <p>These items align with the activities listed in Condition 1(a)(xvi).</p>	C
2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.</p>	<p>MRWA advised that the land is vested as PIN 1011681.</p>	C

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3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles. The proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance to principles (a), (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j) and not at variance to principles (d) and (f), as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii); (iv) As advised by MRWA, it could be assumed that (iii) and (iv) were not required as the proposed clearing was not at variance with any of the clearing principles.	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a).	N/A

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6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA website - Clearing under CPS 818 Attachment 1: Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2024 (CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025)) (https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/). MRWA reported a total of 113.79 ha cleared within the Mid West-Gascoyne Region in 2024. Mid West-Gascoyne Regional Clearing Limit - 300 ha as per Attachment 1 of CPS 818/17	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts, Table 1 Justification of Avoiding, Minimising, Mitigating and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development and Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts, Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C

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10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department’s “A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.7 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report. An Assessment Report is not required, however one has been prepared.	C

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14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5 (b); (ii) Compliant as per Condition 6 (b); (iii) Section 1.4 of the CAR indicated 100 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) Shapefiles were provided; (v) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); and (B) Table 1 of the CAR.	C
15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles. Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles. Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	N/A as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f).	N/A
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). Nevertheless, environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department's "A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). Note: Biological survey was referred and summarised within CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 3 Summary of Surveys.	N/A

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22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a).	N/A
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	N/A. VMP is not required as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 7(j).	N/A
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 7(j).	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A

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36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder’s website.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works, as per Section 8 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by: (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including; (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	N/A, the Proposal is not within a Region that has rainfall greater than 400mm or is not South of the 26th parallel, as per Section 8 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by: (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A

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61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(j). (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a). (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 1.6 of the CAR; (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2023); (iii) N/A as per condition 7(n); (iv), (viii), (ix) MRWA website - CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025). Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/ ; (v) Section 1.4 of the CAR; (vi) Shapfiles were provided; (vii) N/A.	C

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65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	N/A as per condition 7(j).	N/A
66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C

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71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	CAR is currently (July 2025) published on MRWA website (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49ed7c/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2025/mid-west-gascoyne/2644-geraldton-mt-magnet-rd-materials-pit-154-slk-lhs-cps-annual-clearing-report-2024.pdf).	C

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74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(n). (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amounts of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted. (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	N/A as the 12 month period would be next year in June.	N/A
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. Clearing activities were undertaken between 20/06/2024 and 29/10/2024.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A. Clearing activities were undertaken between 20/06/2024 and 29/10/2024.	N/A
78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C

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79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C
82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C

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84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A
87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23. Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.	C

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88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Mid West-Gascoyne Region

Project:
Mt Magnet Leinster 138.3 SLK Material Pit

Approved clearing area:
154 ha

Year:
2024

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	26
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		26
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	62
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2020- Mt Magnet Leinster Pits 30.7 and 138.3 SLK Material Pits - Preliminary Clearing Impact Assessment and Vegetation Management Plan - June 2020 - D13#550475 (PCIA (MRWA, 2020)). Section 1.1 Project Information.</p> <p>Section 1.1 of the PCIA (MRWA, 2020) states the Project purpose is to "investigate leased pastoral land to identify any potentially naturally occurring road building materials for Borrow/Basecourse for future construction and maintenance activities."</p> <p>These item aligns with the activity listed in Condition 1(a)(xvi).</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	<p>The auditor has questioned if Main Roads has the power to carry out these project activities.</p> <p>MRWA has advised the following: The statutory powers in the Act do provide for clearing native vegetation in connection with road-network or road-related works, so long as those works are within or connected to the functions of the Commissioner.</p> <p>The key points to this are: * The Commissioner may clear vegetation that is necessary for road works or road infrastructure or associated works, because these are within the scope of the functions in section 15B(1)(a), (b), (c), (f). * The Commissioner's functions are not strictly limited to lands owned by the Commissioner or the Crown; works can be done on behalf of other government agencies, local governments, or authorities, and on alienated and crown land.</p> <p>Accordingly, for project activities that are road-related (i.e. works for highways, main roads, other roads, extracting road building materials, traffic infrastructure, etc.), the Commissioner holds power to clear native vegetation to the extent such clearing is required.</p>	C

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3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles. The proposed clearing is not likely to be at variance to principles (a), (b), (c), (f), (g), (i) and (j) and not at variance to principles (d), (e) and (h) as per section 5 of the PCIA (MRWA, 2020). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii) and (iv) Section 6 of the PCIA (MRWA, 2020) states that the proposal does not require referral to either the WA EPA or the Commonwealth DAWE (now DCCEEW).	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	Not applicable (N/A) as per condition 2(a)(iii).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a)(iii) and 2(b).	N/A

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6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA website - Clearing under CPS 818 Attachment 1: Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2024 (CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025)) (https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/). MRWA reported a total of 113.79 ha cleared within the Mid West-Gascoyne Region in 2024. Mid West-Gascoyne Regional Clearing Limit - 300 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	PCIA (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.1 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Mitigate and Manage Project Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	PCIA (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.1 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Mitigate and Manage Project Clearing Impacts.	C

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10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	PCIA (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.1 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Mitigate and Manage Project Clearing Impacts	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department’s “A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	PCIA (MRWA, 2020) Section 5.3 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The PCIA (MRWA, 2020) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C

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14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The PCIA (MRWA, 2020) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 1.1 of the PCIA indicated 154 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) Shapefiles were provided; (v) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the PCIA; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); and (B) PENDING compliance as per condition 10(d).	C
15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles. Nevertheless, a preliminary clearing impact assessment was prepared. Ref: PCIA (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles. Nevertheless, a preliminary clearing impact assessment was prepared. Ref: PCIA (MRWA, 2020).	N/A

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17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	N/A as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f).	N/A
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles.	N/A
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department's "A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles.	N/A

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22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a).	N/A

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27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per PCIA (MRWA, 2020). Nevertheless, a VMP was included as Appendix B of the PCIA.	N/A
28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per PCIA (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per PCIA (MRWA, 2020).	N/A

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32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A

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36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works as per section 1.1 of the PCIA (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by: (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including; (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	N/A, the Proposal is not within a Region that has rainfall greater than 400mm and is not South of the 26th parallel as per Section 6 of the PCIA (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by: (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per PCIA (MRWA, 2020).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A

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61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(j). (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a). (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 5.1 of the PCIA; (ii) PCIA (MRWA, 2020); (iii) N/A as per condition 7(n); (iv) Section 3 of the PCIA; (v) Sections 1 and 3 of the PCIA; (vi) Shapefiles were provided; (vii) N/A as the clearing area is greater than 0.5 ha; (viii), (ix) MRWA website - CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025). Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/ .	C

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65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	N/A as per condition 7(j).	N/A
66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C
71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A

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74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	N/A as per condition 14(h).	N/A
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	MRWA advised that PCIA was internally approved on 29/06/2020.	C
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	MRWA advised that PCIA was internally approved on 29/06/2020.	C
78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C

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79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C
82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C

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84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A
87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23. Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.	C

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88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Pilbara Region

Project:
Great Northern Highway Overtaking Lanes 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 (Newman to Auski) Construction

Approved clearing area:
149 ha

Year:
2024

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	29
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		29
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	59
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2023 - Clearing Assessment Report - CPS 818 - GNH Passing Lanes 1185.7-1260.3 - February 2023 - EOS # 1342 - D22#517037 (CAR (MRWA, 2023)). Section 1 Purpose and Section 2 Scope.</p> <p>Section 2.1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) states "The project involves the construction of passing lanes along Great Northern Highway (H006) Overtaking Lanes 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6 (Newman to Auski) SLK 1173.1 to 1212.2".</p> <p>This activity aligns with the activity listed in condition 1(a)(ii).</p>	C
2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.</p>	<p>MRWA advised that the cleared area is within the 200 m wide road reserve.</p>	C

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3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii); (iv) As advised by MRWA, it could be assumed that (iii) and (iv) were not required as the proposed clearing was not at variance with any of the clearing principles.	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a).	N/A
6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C

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7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	<p>Clearing under CPS 818 Attachment 1: Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2024 (CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025)). (https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/).</p> <p>MRWA reported a total of 32.0898 ha cleared within the Pilbara Region in 2024.</p> <p>Pilbara Regional Clearing Limit is 150 ha as per Attachment 1 of CPS 818/17.</p>	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 2.4 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts, Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 2.3 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development and Section 2.4 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts, Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	Alternatives to clearing were considered within Sections 2.3 and 2.4 of CAR (MRWA, 2023).	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department's "A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C

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12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 2.5 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report. An Assessment Report is not required, however one has been prepared.	C
14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder's consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 2.1 of the CAR indicates 149 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) Shapefiles were provided; (v) N/A (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) N/A per condition 10 (d).	C

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15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles. Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles. Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	N/A as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f). Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). Note: Environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department's "A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	N/A as per condition 7(a). Note: Environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 7(a). Note: Environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles. Biological survey was referred and summarised within CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 3 Summary of Surveys.	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A

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24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a). Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	N/A as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f). Note: An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	N/A. VMP is not required as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per conditions 8(a) and 8(b).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A

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36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	N/A as per condition 8(a) and 8 (b).	N/A
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder’s website.	N/A as per condition of 8(e).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 8(a) and 8 (b).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works, as per Section 2.1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; <p>Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.</p>	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met. 	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	N/A. Proposal is not within a Region that has rainfall greater than 400mm and is South of the 26th parallel.	N/A
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by: (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A

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61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(j). (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a). (iii) N/A as per condition 11.	N/A
64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 2.1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023); (ii) CAR; (iii) N/A as per conditions 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) Coordinates for clearing have been provided in Section 2.1 and Figure 1 of the CAR; (v) Section 2.1 of the CAR; (vi) Shapefiles were provided; (vii) N/A; (viii), (ix) MRWA website - CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) (https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/).	C

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65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C

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71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	N/A. MRWA advised that the CAR was approved internally on 07/06/2022 (internal MRWA email was provided). Thus, it did not required to be published, as per condition 14(i). Nevertheless, CAR is publicly available. MRWA website - CAR (MRWA, 2023) (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49ed94/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2025/pilbara/1342-great-northern-highway-overtaking-lanes-1-2-3-4-6-newman-to-auski-construction-cps-annual-clearing-report-2024.pdf).	N/A

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74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) N/A as per condition 8(h). (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted. (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	N/A as the 12 month period would be next year in June. As per condition 14(e) and 14(f), CAR (MRWA, 2023) and CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) are still published on MRWA website at the time of this audit (reviewed in July 2025).	N/A
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as clearing activities were undertaken between 1/1/2024 and 31/12/2024.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	MRWA advised that the CAR was approved internally on 07/06/2022 (internal MRWA email was provided).	C

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C

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86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A
87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23. Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

South West Region

Project:
Goodwood Road Upgrades 34.5 - 36.5 SLK

Approved clearing area:
0.13 ha

Year:
2023

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	30
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	4
Total		34
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	54
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2023 - Clearing Assessment Report (CAR) - M042 Goodwood Road [34.70 to 36.50 SLK] – Road widening and guard rail installation South West Region - EOS 2837 - D23#102628 - January 2023 (CAR (MRWA, 2023)). Section 1.1 Purpose and Justification, Section 1.2 Proposal Scope.</p> <p>Section 1.2 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) states "The proposal includes the requirement to construct pavement widening to achieve a nine metre seal on nine metre pavement including additional pavement widening at curve locations in order to provide guard rail."</p> <p>These items align with the activities listed in condition 1(a) (ii) and (xviii).</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	<p>The auditor has questioned if Main Roads has the power to carry out these project activities.</p> <p>MRWA has advised the following: The statutory powers in the Act do provide for clearing native vegetation in connection with road-network or road-related works, so long as those works are within or connected to the functions of the Commissioner.</p> <p>The key points to this are: * The Commissioner may clear vegetation that is necessary for road works or road infrastructure or associated works, because these are within the scope of the functions in section 15B(1)(a), (b), (c), (f). * The Commissioner's functions are not strictly limited to lands owned by the Commissioner or the Crown; works can be done on behalf of other government agencies, local governments, or authorities, and on alienated and crown land.</p> <p>Accordingly, for project activities that are road-related (i.e. works for highways, main roads, other roads, extracting road building materials, traffic infrastructure, etc.), the Commissioner holds power to clear native vegetation to the extent such clearing is required.</p>	C
3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	<p>(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii) The proposal was not referred to the EPA. (iv) The proposal has not been assessed as a controlled action under the EPBC Act.</p>	C

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4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a) (iii).	N/A
6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C

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7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA website - Attachment 1 Purpose Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2023 - retrieved from: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf (CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024)). MRWA reported a total of 3.35 ha cleared within the South West Region in 2023, as per CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024). South West Regional Clearing Limit is 75 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts, Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development and Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts, Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department's "A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C

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12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 1.7 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report. An Assessment Report is not required, however one has been prepared.	C
14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 1.4 of the CAR indicates 0.13 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) N/A; (v) Coordinates for clearing have been provided in Section 1.3 and Figure 1 of the CAR; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) Section 8 of the CAR.	C

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15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles. Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles. Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	N/A as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f). Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023). Note: Environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department’s “A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	N/A as per condition 7(a). Note: Environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 7(a). Note: Environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles (MRWA, 2023). Note: Biological survey was referred and summarised within CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 3 Summary of Surveys.	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance - Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A

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24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a). Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	N/A as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f). Note: An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A

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36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works, as per Section 8 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by: (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including; (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	Proposal is within a Region that has rainfall greater than 400mm and is South of the 26th parallel. CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8, Table 6 states "Standard Vehicle and Plant management actions from Principal Environmental Management Requirements (PEMRs) and Hygiene Checklists will be applied." MRWA advised "Clean on entry is standard practice for Main Roads, however, unable to provide hygiene checklists from the date of clearing". NC relates to insufficient evidence to demonstrate clean on entry or clean on exit.	NC
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A. MRWA has advised that the area is not dieback free. The area is dieback infested and unprotectable.	N/A

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53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	<p>Section 8 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) says that the proposed works require clearing within or adjacent to DBCA managed lands in non-dry conditions. And states: "The Forest Management Branch Bunbury (DBCA) supplied comprehensive level occurrence information and advice that only basic hygiene management is required as the area is infested and excluded unprotectable. Dieback management measures have been developed in consultation with Sustainable Forest Management Coordinator (DBCA Blackwood District) and will be included in the CEMP."</p> <p>MRWA - 2023 - Minor Works Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) - M042 Goodwood Road [34.70 to 36.50 SLK] - Road widening and guard rail installation - 147/16-0159 - 2023 - Fulton Hogan (CEMP (MRWA, 2023)). The CEMP Table 3, Dieback Aspect states "Specific Environmental Management Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean on Entry via Vehicle and Plant Hygiene Checklist (records to be kept and provided to Main Roads) • Signage at the road reserve interface with Boyanup State Forest (no access) (evidence to be collected and provided to Main Roads)". <p>MRWA advised "Clean on entry is standard practice for Main Roads, however, unable to provide hygiene checklists from the date of clearing".</p> <p>Minutes of a site meeting (Kick off meeting) conducted on 21/03/23 with MRWA and Fulton Hogan personnel stated "Dieback No Entry signs are set up".</p> <p>NC relates to no records of Hygiene Checklists.</p>	NC

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54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infected, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log. 	N/A. Section 8 of the CAR (MRWA, 2023) states: "Phytophthora Dieback Assessment was conducted by DBCA on the 19th December 2022 which confirmed that the area should be treated as Infested and Unprotectable (TRIM D22#1299624)".	N/A
55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen. 	N/A as CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8 marked 'No' to the item stating: "Main Roads has been notified by DWER or an environmental specialist that the area to be cleared is susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback. "	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared. 	<p>(i) NC as per condition 10(a); (ii) N/A as per condition 10(b); and (iii) Compliant as Minutes of a site meeting (Kick off meeting) conducted on 21/03/2023 with MRWA and Fulton Hogan personnel. Minutes stated "Dieback No Entry signs are set up".</p> <p>NC relates to insufficient evidence to demonstrate clean on entry or clean on exit, as also noted in condition 10(a).</p>	NC

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57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A. CAR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8 marked 'No' to the item stating: "Weeds are likely to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition".	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(j). (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a). (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A

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64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 1.6 of the CAR; (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2023); (iii) N/A as per conditions 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) Section 1.3 and Figure 1 of the CAR; (v) Section 1.4 of the CAR; (vi) N/A; (vii), (viii) and (ix) MRWA website - CPS 818 Clearing Activities Annual Compliance Written Report 2023 - Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf .	C
65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	N/A as per condition 7(j).	N/A
66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	(i) CEMP (MRWA, 2023) was provided as per condition 10(c); (ii), (iii) N/A as per condition 10(d) and Section 8 of the CAR; (iv) N/A as per condition 10(e); (v) NC as per condition 10(f). 10(g) is N/A. NC relates to insufficient evidence to demonstrate clean on entry or clean on exit, as also noted in conditions 10(a) and 10(f).	NC
68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11.	N/A
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C

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70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C
71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	N/A as per condition 14(i). Nevertheless, CAR (MRWA, 2023) is published on MRWA website (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49e8ca/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/south-west/2837-goodwood-road-upgrades-34.5-36.5-slk-cps-annual-clearing-report-2023.pdf).	N/A

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74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) N/A as per condition 8(h). (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted. (iv) N/A as per condition 9.	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	As per condition 14(e) and 14(f), CAR (MRWA, 2023) and CPS 818 Report (MRWA, 2023) are still published on MRWA website.	C
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as clearing of project activities was conducted between 20/03/23 - 24/03/2023, as per MRWA website - CPS 818 Clearing Activities Annual Compliance Written Report 2023 - Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf .	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	Clearing of project activities was conducted between 20/03/23 - 24/03/2023, as per MRWA website - CPS 818 Clearing Activities Annual Compliance Written Report 2023 - Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf .	C

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A

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87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	<p>Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23.</p> <p>Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.</p>	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Wheatbelt Region

Project:
Great Eastern Highway - Walgoolan to Southern Cross

Approved clearing area:
0.08 ha

Year:
2023

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	30
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		30
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	58
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <p>(i) to construct new roads;</p> <p>(ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road;</p> <p>(iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000;</p> <p>(iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000;</p> <p>(v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area;</p> <p>(vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area;</p> <p>(vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas;</p> <p>(viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas;</p> <p>(ix) to establish new temporary works;</p> <p>(x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths;</p> <p>(xi) to establish new rest areas and camps;</p> <p>(xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps;</p> <p>(xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks;</p> <p>(xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents:</p> <p>(A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure;</p> <p>(B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line;</p> <p>(C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width;</p> <p>(xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management;</p> <p>(xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials;</p> <p>(xvii) road realignment;</p> <p>(xviii) road widening.</p> <p>(xix) project surveys; and</p> <p>(xx) pre-construction activities.</p>	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2022 - Clearing Assessment Report (CAR) - CPS 818 - Great Eastern Hwy Upgrade SLK 311.81-311.88 - December 2022 - EOS 1775- D22#1077322 / D24#432795 -December 2022 (CAR (MRWA, 2022)). Section 1.1 Purpose and Justification, Section 1.2 Proposal Scope.</p> <p>Section 1.2 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022) states "The scope of the proposal includes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pavement reconstruction and widening of GEH to achieve an 11 m wide seal on an 11 m wide formation. • New road delineation, signage and line marking, including a 1 m wide centre line. • Upgrade drainage infrastructure and improve road drainage". <p>These items align with the activities listed in Condition 1(a) (iii), (xiv) and (xviii).</p>	C
2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.</p>	<p>CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 5, Principle (h) states "The proposed clearing is located entirely in the GEH road reserve".</p>	C

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3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not at variance to the clearing principles (a), (d) and (f); and not likely to be at variance with (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j) as per Section 5 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii) and (iv) Tiffaney George (MRWA - Environment and Heritage) advised that the proposed clearing was not referred under Part IV of the EP Act or under the EPBC Act as the project activities were not likely to be at variance to the clearing Principles.	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a)(iii).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per conditions 2(a)(iii) and 2(b).	N/A

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6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA website - Attachment 1 Purpose Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2023 - retrieved from: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf (CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024)). MRWA reported a total of 18.18 ha cleared within the Wheatbelt Region in 2023 as per the CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024). Wheatbelt Regional Clearing Limit was 120 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts and Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C

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9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development and Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts, Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department’s “A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 2.2 Desktop Assessment and Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 1.7 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	An Assessment Report is not required, however one has been prepared. Ref: MRWA - 2022 - CAR - CPS 818 - Great Eastern Hwy Upgrade SLK 311.81-311.88 - EOS 1775-D22#1077322 / D24#432795 -December 2022 (CAR (MRWA, 2022)). The CAR (MRWA, 2022) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C

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14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	<p>The Desktop Report must set out:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit. 	<p>The CAR (MRWA, 2022) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 1.4 of the CAR indicates 0.08 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) N/A; (v) GPS coordinates of clearing area (-31.381888, 118.799620) provided in CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024); (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) N/A as per condition 10. 	C
15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	<p>An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). 	<p>N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance to the clearing principles (a), (d) and (f); and not likely to be at variance with (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j). Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2022).</p>	N/A
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	<p>Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; <p>the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.</p>	<p>N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance to the clearing principles (a), (d) and (f); and not likely to be at variance with (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j). Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2022).</p>	N/A

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17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	N/A as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f). Tiffany George from MRWA advised that an assessment report was prepared because there have been biological and targeted surveys conducted for the proposal area (Table 2 of CAR) and these are best presented in a CAR format.	N/A
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance to the clearing principles (a), (d) and (f); and not likely to be at variance with (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j). Note: An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department's "A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	N/A as per condition 7(a). Note: Environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 7(a). Note: Environmental assessment was included within the CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A

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21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance to the clearing principles (a), (d) and (f); and not likely to be at variance with (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j). Note: Biological survey was referred and summarised within CAR (MRWA, 2022) Section 3 Summary of Surveys.	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a). Note: An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A

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26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	N/A as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f). Note: An assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance to the clearing principles (a), (d) and (f); and not likely to be at variance with (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j).	N/A
28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 7 (j).	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance to the clearing principles (a), (d) and (f); and not likely to be at variance with (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j).	N/A

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31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance to the clearing principles (a), (d) and (f); and not likely to be at variance with (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j).	N/A
32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance to the clearing principles (a), (d) and (f); and not likely to be at variance with (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A

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36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	N/A as per condition 8(a) and 8 (b).	N/A
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder’s website.	N/A as per condition of 8(e)	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 8(a) and 8(b).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works, as per Section 8 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by: (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including; (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	N/A. The proposed clearing is not within a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is not south of the 26th parallel of latitude, as per Section 6 of the CAR (MRWA , 2022).	N/A
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by: (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance to the clearing principles (a), (d) and (f); and not likely to be at variance with (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance to the clearing principles (a), (d) and (f); and not likely to be at variance with (b), (c), (e), (g), (h), (i) and (j).	N/A

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61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(j). (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a). (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 1.6 & Table 1 of the CAR (MRWA, 2022); (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2022); (iii) N/A as per conditions 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) Section 1.3 and Figure 1 of the CAR; (v) Section 1.4 of the CAR; (vi) N/A as the clearing area is less than 0.5 ha (0.08 ha); (vii), (viii) and (ix) CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates.	C

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65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	N/A as per condition 7(j).	N/A
66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C

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71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	N/A as per condition 14(i). Nevertheless, CAR is currently (July 2025) published on MRWA website (link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49edf2/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2025/wheatbelt/1775-geh-walgoolan-to-southern-cross-package-4b-and-5-cps-annual-clearing-report-2024-2.pdf).	N/A

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74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(n). (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a). (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted.	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	As per condition 14(e) and 14(f), CAR (MRWA, 2022) and CPS 818 Report (MRWA, 2023) are still published on MRWA website.	C
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as clearing activities were undertaken between March and September 2023. CAR (MRWA, 2022) was internally endorsed on 20 December 2022, as per correspondence email provided.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	CAR (MRWA, 2022) was internally endorsed on 20 December 2022, as per correspondence email provided.	C

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C

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86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A
87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23. Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Wheatbelt Region

Project:
Toodyay Road Upgrade - Western Power Relocations

Approved clearing area:
0.052 ha

Year:
2023

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	30
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		30
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	58
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2023 - Clearing Desktop Report (CDR) - CPS 818 - Toodyay Road Section 5 – Relocation of Western Power Network , 32.38 – 32.54 SLK - EOS No: 2990 - D23#508012 (CDR (MRWA, 2023)).</p> <p>Section 2 of the CDR (MRWA, 2023) states "the project comprises the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Main Roads will undertake vegetation clearing and site preparation prior to network relocation works, which will be undertaken by Western Power". <p>This item aligns with the activities listed in Condition 1(a)(ii), (xiv).</p>	C
2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.</p>	<p>CDR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8, Principle (h) states that "The clearing is located within the Toodyay Rd road reserve".</p>	C

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3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles as per Section 8 of the CDR (MRWA, 2023). The proposed clearing is not at variance to the Clearing Principles (d), (e) and (f); and not likely to be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (g), (h), (i) and (j). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with with any approved policy defined in section 3 of the EP Act. (iii); (iv) As advised by MRWA, it could be assumed that (iii) and (iv) were not required as the proposed clearing was not at variance with any of the clearing principles.	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a).	N/A

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6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA website - Attachment 1 Purpose Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2023 - retrieved from: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf (CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024)). MRWA reported a total of 18.18 ha cleared within the Wheatbelt Region in 2023 as per the CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024). Wheatbelt Regional Clearing Limit is 120 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CDR (MRWA, 2023) Section 4 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CDR (MRWA, 2023) Section 3 Alternatives to Clearing	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CDR (MRWA, 2023) Section 3 Alternatives to Clearing.	C

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11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department’s “A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	CDR (MRWA, 2023) Section 8 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CDR (MRWA, 2023) Section 5 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	CDR (MRWA, 2023).	C
14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CDR (MRWA, 2023) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5 of this permit; (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 6 of the CDR indicates 0.052 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) N/A; (v) Section 6 and Figure 1 of the CDR; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 8 of the CDR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) N/A as per condition 10 (a).	C

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15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	N/A as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f).	N/A
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department’s “A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A

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20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	N/A as per condition 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance - Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per condition 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A

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24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per condition 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	N/A as per conditions 6(e) , 6(f) and 7(a).	N/A
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	N/A. VMP is not required as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 7(j)	N/A
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 7(j)	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A

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32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A

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36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder's website.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works, as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by: (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including; (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	N/A as the area does not average an annual rainfall greater than 400 mm.	N/A
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infected, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log. 	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen. 	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	<p>When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared. 	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CDR (MRWA, 2023).	N/A
61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(j). (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a). (iii) N/A as per condition 11 (a).	N/A

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64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 4 of the CDR; (ii) CDR (MRWA, 2023); (iii) N/A as per condition 7(n); (iv) Section 1 and Figure 1 of the CDR; (v) Section 6 of the CDR; (vi) N/A; (vii), (viii) and (ix) CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where cleaing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates.	C
65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	N/A as per condition 7(j).	N/A
66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C

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70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C
71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	N/A as per condition 14(i).	N/A
74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(n). (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted. (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a).	C

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75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	14(e) is not required as per condition 14(i). 14 (f) information is included in CPS 818 Report 2023 (MRWA, 2024) and is still on MRWA website as reviewed in July 2025. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49eefc/globalassets/community-environment/environment/annual-clearing/2024/cps-818-clearing-activities-annual-compliance-written-report-2023.pdf	C
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. CDR (MRWA, 2023) was endorsed on 6/06/2023. Clearing activities were undertaken between 20/06/2023 and 10/10/2023.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	CDR (MRWA, 2023) was endorsed on 6/06/2023.	C
78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C

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79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C
82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C

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85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	<p>Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025).</p> <p>Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023).</p> <p>Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.</p>	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A
87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	<p>Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23.</p> <p>Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.</p>	C

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88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website.</p> <p>Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023.</p> <p>Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Wheatbelt Region

Project:
GEH-Parker Range Road Intersection Upgrade

Approved clearing area:
2.59 ha

Year:
2024

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	29
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	0
Total		29
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	59
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <p>(i) to construct new roads;</p> <p>(ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road;</p> <p>(iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000;</p> <p>(iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000;</p> <p>(v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area;</p> <p>(vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area;</p> <p>(vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas;</p> <p>(viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas;</p> <p>(ix) to establish new temporary works;</p> <p>(x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths;</p> <p>(xi) to establish new rest areas and camps;</p> <p>(xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps;</p> <p>(xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks;</p> <p>(xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents:</p> <p>(A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure;</p> <p>(B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line;</p> <p>(C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width;</p> <p>(xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management;</p> <p>(xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials;</p> <p>(xvii) road realignment;</p> <p>(xviii) road widening.</p> <p>(xix) project surveys; and</p> <p>(xx) pre-construction activities.</p>	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - Clearing Assessment Report (CAR) - CPS 818 - Great Eastern Highway and Parker Range - Road Intersection Upgrade SLK 343 to SLK 344.33 - Great Eastern Highway (H005) - Wheatbelt Region - EOS 3095 - D24#1328058 (redacted), D23#667690 - March 2024 (CAR (MRWA, 2024)).</p> <p>Section 1.2 of the CAR (MRWA, 2024) states "The project will comprise the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Auxiliary Right hand turn treatment from GEH east-bound into Parker Range Road; • Basic Left hand turn treatment from GEH West-bound into Parker Range Road; • 600m acceleration lane (plus approx. 200m taper / merge) from Parker Range Road onto GEH West-bound; • Widening of the intersection to accommodate truck movements turning east out of Parker Range Road. • Upgrades to drainage infrastructure; • Full width reconstruction of GEH between the above SLK extents; • Audible edge and centreline markings; • Telstra relocation works (to be undertaken through Telstra if deemed required)." <p>These items align with the activities listed in 1(a).</p>	C

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2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.	<p>The auditor has questioned if Main Roads has the power to carry out these project activities.</p> <p>MRWA has advised the following: The statutory powers in the Act do provide for clearing native vegetation in connection with road-network or road-related works, so long as those works are within or connected to the functions of the Commissioner.</p> <p>The key points to this are: * The Commissioner may clear vegetation that is necessary for road works or road infrastructure or associated works, because these are within the scope of the functions in section 15B(1)(a), (b), (c), (f). * The Commissioner's functions are not strictly limited to lands owned by the Commissioner or the Crown; works can be done on behalf of other government agencies, local governments, or authorities, and on alienated and crown land.</p> <p>Accordingly, for project activities that are road-related (i.e. works for highways, main roads, other roads, extracting road building materials, traffic infrastructure, etc.), the Commissioner holds power to clear native vegetation to the extent such clearing is required.</p>	C

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3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles as per Section 8 of the CAR (MRWA, 2024). The proposed clearing is not at variance to the Clearing Principles (c), (d), (f) and (h); and not likely to be at variance with (a), (b), (e), (g), (i), and (j). (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii); (iv) As advised by MRWA, it could be assumed that (iii) and (iv) were not required as the proposed clearing was not at variance with any of the clearing principles.	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a).	N/A

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6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA website - Clearing under CPS 818 Attachment 1: Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2024 (CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025)) (https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/). MRWA reported a total of 10.399 ha cleared within the Wheatbelt Region in 2024. Wheatbelt Regional Clearing Limit is 120 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CAR (MRWA, 2024) Section 1.6 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts and Table 1 Measures Undertaken to Avoid, Minimise, Reduce and Manage the Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CAR (MRWA, 2024) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CAR (MRWA, 2024) Section 1.5 Alternatives to Native Vegetation Clearing Considered During Proposal Development.	C

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11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department’s “A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	CAR (MRWA, 2024) section 2.2 Desktop Assessment and Section 5 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CAR (MRWA, 2024) Section 1.7 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	The CAR (MRWA, 2024) complies with the requirement of a Desktop Report.	C
14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CAR (MRWA, 2024) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii) Section 1.4 of the CAR indicates 2.590 ha of proposed clearing; (iv) Shapefiles of proposed clearing were provided; (v) N/A as the clearing area is more than 0.5 ha; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 5 of the CAR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) N/A as per condition 10(a).	C

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15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles. Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles. Nevertheless, an assessment report was prepared. Ref: CAR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	N/A as per condition 6(e) and 6(f).	N/A
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department's "A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986".	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A

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20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A

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24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a).	N/A
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a).	N/A
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 7(j)	N/A
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 7(j)	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A

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32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A

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36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder’s website.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works, as per Section 7 of the CAR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; <p>Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.</p>	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met. 	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	N/A. CAR (MRWA, 2024) Section 7 states that the proposed clearing is Not in a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is not in south of the 26th parallel.	N/A
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by: (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A. The proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles as per CAR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A

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61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (iii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(j). (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a). (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 1.6 and Table 1 of the CAR; (ii) CAR (MRWA, 2024); (iii) N/A as per condition 7(n); (iv), (viii), (ix) MRWA website - CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/ ; (v) Section 1.4 of the CAR; (vi) Shapefiles of cleared area have been provided; (vii) N/A as the proposed clearing is more than 0.5 ha.	C

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65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	N/A as per condition 7(j).	N/A
66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C

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71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C
73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	CAR is currently (July 2025) published on MRWA website (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/4aa305/globalassets/community-environment/environment/clearing-intext/2024/wheatbelt/3095-great-eastern-highway-and-parker-range-road-intersection-upgrade-clearing-report.pdf). An internal correspondence email states that the CAR was published on 22/10/2024 , which is not within three months of the clearing start date: 03/01/2024 . However, CAR was approved under CPS 818/15 which did not specify publishing time.	C

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74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(n). (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amounts of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted. (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	N/A as the 12 month period would be next year in June.	N/A
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. Clearing activities were undertaken between 3/1/2024 and 5/4/2024.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A. Clearing activities were undertaken between 3/1/2024 and 5/4/2024.	N/A
78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C

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79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C
82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C

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84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C
86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A
87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23. Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.	C

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88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	<p>A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf</p> <p>The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.</p>	C

CPS 818/17 External Audit

Wheatbelt Region

Project:
H052 Brookton Hwy 315 SLK Intersection Upgrade

Approved clearing area:
0.41ha

Year:
2024

Outcome category	Definition	Total
Compliant (C)	Fulfilment of a requirement during the audit period.	28
Opportunity for improvement (OFI)	Enough evidence to demonstrate conformance, with an improved way to achieve conformance.	0
Observation (OB)	Not strictly related to conformance or non-conformance, rather a weakness that might lead to a non-conformance if nothing is done to prevent its occurrence (i.e. maintenance, weather, timing or documentation matter).	0
Non-compliant (NC)	A non-fulfilment or partial fulfilment of a requirement.	1
Total		29
Not Applicable (N/A)	The requirement is not active during the audit period (calendar year 2023 and 2024) or not required due to the low complexity of the clearing activity.	59
Total with N/A		88

Audit Period	01/01/2023 to 31/12/2024
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Part I - Type of Clearing Authorised					
1	1 (a)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>In accordance with this Permit, the Permit Holder may clear native vegetation for project activities, which means any one or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) to construct new roads; (ii) to construct road transport corridor infrastructure, including all buildings, depot sites, fences, gates, posts, boards, overpasses, underpasses, erections and structures placed upon any road that are associated with the use of the road; (iii) to install new road signs, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (iv) to install new traffic-control signals, as defined in regulation 3 of the Road Traffic Code 2000; (v) to establish new sightline areas and crossover area; (vi) to re-establish sightline areas and crossover area; (vii) to establish new lateral clearance areas; (viii) to re-establish or expand lateral clearance areas; (ix) to establish new temporary works; (x) to construct and maintain new public roadside facilities, including principal shared paths and cycle paths; (xi) to establish new rest areas and camps; (xii) to re-establish rest areas and camps; (xiii) to establish and maintain new firebreaks; (xiv) to maintain the efficacy of new and existing road transport corridor infrastructure, to the following extents: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (A) for a building or structure – 20m from the building or structure; (B) for a drain or fence line – 5m from the drain or fence line; (C) for a vehicle track – 5m track width; (xv) clearing for revegetation and environmental management; (xvi) searching for and extracting road building materials; (xvii) road realignment; (xviii) road widening. (xix) project surveys; and (xx) pre-construction activities. 	<p>Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) - 2024 - Clearing Desktop Report (CDR) - Intersection improvement of H052 Brookton Highway & East Hyden Bin Road – SLK 315.23 - EOS 3201 - D23#1002948 - April 2024 (CDR (MRWA, 2024)).</p> <p>Section 2 purpose of the clearing includes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Widen and seal the shoulders adjacent to the intersection. • Extend the drainage pipe outside of the clear zone at the intersection. • Widen the carriageway through the intersection and increase the radius to ensure that all vehicles can turn lane correct through the intersection. <p>These items align with the activities listed in Condition 1(a)(xiv), (xviii).</p>	C
2	1 (b)	Type of clearing authorised	<p>This Permit authorises the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation for the project activities described in condition 1(a) of this Permit to the extent that the Permit Holder has the power to carry out works involving clearing for those project activities under the Main Roads Act 1930 or any other written law.</p>	<p>CDR (MRWA, 2024) Section 2 states "The Proposal area is located primarily in road reserve, with a small portion located on Shire land (north) and freehold land (east). Consent to clear vegetation in these non road-reserve areas have been provided by the landowners."</p>	C

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3	2 (a)	Clearing not authorised	This Permit does not authorise the Permit Holder to clear native vegetation where: (i) the clearing is likely to be seriously at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; (ii) the clearing and the associated effect on the environment would be inconsistent with any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act); (iii) a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to and assessed under Part IV of the EP Act by the EPA; or (iv) the clearing is determined to be a Controlled Action under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) as it may have a significant impact on a matter of national environmental significance.	(i) The proposed clearing is not seriously at variance with any of the clearing principles as per Section 8 of the CDR (MRWA, 2024). The proposed clearing is not at variance with all the ten Clearing Principles. (ii) The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act. (iii); (iv) As advised by MRWA, it could be assumed that (iii) and (iv) were not required as the proposed clearing was not at variance with any of the clearing principles.	C
4	2 (b)	Clearing not authorised	If a proposal incorporating a project activity described in condition 1(a) of this Permit has been referred to the EPA, this Permit does not authorise any clearing for that project activity unless: (i) the EPA has given notice under section 39A(3) of the EP Act that it has decided not to assess the proposal; and (ii) either: (A) the period within which an appeal against the EPA's decision may be lodged has expired without an appeal being lodged; or (B) an appeal has been lodged against the EPA's decision not to assess the proposal and the appeal was dismissed.	N/A as per condition 2(a).	N/A
5	2 (c)	Clearing not authorised	If the Permit Holder intends to clear native vegetation under this Permit for a project activity that forms part of, or is related to a proposal referred to in condition 2(b) of this Permit, then the Permit Holder must have regard to any advice or recommendations made by the EPA under section 39A(7) of the EP Act.	N/A as per condition 2(a).	N/A

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6	3	Application	This Permit allows the Permit Holder 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. The Permit Holder remains responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this Permit.	MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)). Compliance with Permit conditions is assessed through MRWA internal auditing as per condition 15 and this independent audit as per condition 16.	C
7	4	Limits on authorised clearing	The total amount of native vegetation cleared within a calendar year pursuant to this permit, per region, must not exceed the regional clearing limits unless authorised in writing by the CEO.	MRWA website - Clearing under CPS 818 Attachment 1: Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 Annual Clearing Report 2024 (CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025)) (https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/). MRWA reported a total of 10.399 ha cleared within the Wheatbelt Region in 2024. Wheatbelt Regional Clearing Limit is 120 ha as per Schedule 1 of CPS 818/17.	C
Part II - Assessment Procedure					
8	5 (a)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared, the Permit Holder shall have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference: (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation; (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.	CDR (MRWA, 2024) Section 4 Measures to Avoid, Minimise, Mitigate and Manage Proposal Clearing Impacts.	C
9	5 (b)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	The Permit Holder must demonstrate that alternatives to clearing have been considered, including, where relevant, but not limited to: (i) reducing speed limits; (ii) retaining low frangible vegetation as a 'soft safety barrier'; and (iii) consideration of alternative engineering and design options	CDR (MRWA, 2024) Section 3 Alternatives to Clearing considered during proposal development.	C
10	5 (c)	Avoid, minimise and reduce impacts of clearing	Where alternatives to clearing are not considered viable, the Permit Holder must document why this is the case.	CDR (MRWA, 2024) Section 3 Alternatives to Clearing considered during proposal development.	C

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11	6 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Once the Permit Holder has complied with condition 5 of this Permit, a desktop study shall be conducted for the native vegetation to be cleared against each of the clearing principles in accordance with the Department’s “A guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	CDR (MRWA, 2024) Section 8 Assessment against the ten clearing principles.	C
12	6 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study must be conducted having regard to: (i) any approved policy (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; and (ii) any planning instrument (as defined in section 3 of the EP Act), that applies to the area of native vegetation to be cleared.	CDR (MRWA, 2024) Section 5 Approved Policies and Planning Instruments. The proposed clearing is not inconsistent with any approved policy or planning instrument as defined in Section 3 of the EP Act.	C
13	6 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The desktop study, must include production of a Desktop Report, unless an Assessment Report has been prepared in accordance with condition 7(i) or the CEO has advised in writing that a Desktop Report is not required.	CDR (MRWA, 2024).	C
14	6 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	The Desktop Report must set out: (i) The Permit Holder’s consideration of alternatives to clearing, and management measures and actions implemented to avoid and minimise the impacts of the clearing in accordance with the condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) the manner in which the Permit Holder has had regard to any approved policy and planning instrument in accordance with condition 6(b) of this permit; (iii) the area (in hectares) of clearing required for the project activity; (iv) for an area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of clearing required for the project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) for an area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location of clearing required for the project activities; (vi) how the Permit Holder has had regard to the clearing principles through the desktop study; (vii) whether the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (viii) any impacts likely to occur as a result of the clearing, including a description of those impacts that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles; and (ix) whether: (A) rehabilitation and revegetation is likely to be required under condition 9 of this Permit; and (B) the management of dieback is likely to be required under condition 10 of this Permit.	The CDR (MRWA, 2024) addresses all the requirements specified under condition 6(d), where applicable. The following points were noted: (i) Compliant as per conditions 5(a) and 5(b); (ii) Compliant as per condition 6(b); (iii), (v) Section 6 of the CDR; (iv) N/A; (vi), (vii), (viii) Section 8 of the CDR; (ix) (A) N/A as per condition 9(a); (B) N/A as per condition 10 (a).	C

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15	6 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report, must be prepared in accordance with condition 7 where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance).	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles, as per the CDR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
16	6 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	Where the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principle, and the area of the proposed clearing is less than 0.5 hectares in size and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland; the preparation of an Assessment Report, as required by condition 6(e), is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles, as per the CDR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
17	6 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts – desktop study	An Assessment Report shall be prepared as required by condition 6(e), unless advised in writing by the CEO that an Assessment Report is not required, or where the clearing meets the criteria described in condition 6(f).	N/A as per conditions 6(e) and 6(f).	N/A
18	7 (a)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	Where: (i) the outcome of the desktop study indicates that the clearing is at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f); or (ii) the available information is insufficient to allow the Permit Holder to assess the proposed clearing against one or more of the clearing principles (i.e. may be at variance). the Permit Holder must conduct an environmental assessment, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an environmental assessment is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles, as per the CDR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
19	7 (b)	Assessment of clearing impacts- environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must be conducted in accordance with the current version of the Department’s “A Guide to the assessment of applications to clear native vegetation under Part V Division 2 the Environmental Protection Act 1986”.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A

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20	7 (c)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	An environmental assessment must include: (i) a biological survey if the desktop study identified that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d) or (f), except where the variance relates to condition 7(d); (ii) vegetation condition mapping and vegetation mapping by delineating on a map the ecological communities formed within a given area, and the nature and extent of each combination, within the area to be cleared at the scale of the best available mapping information, if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with clearing principle (e); (iii) a dieback survey if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into dieback free areas; (iv) a wetland field assessment if the clearing may have a detrimental impact on the environmental values of a defined wetland; and (v) any additional surveys and field assessments that are required to determine the impacts of the clearing on any environmental value protected by the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 7(a).	N/A
21	7 (d)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	a biological survey is not required if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles, as per the CDR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
22	7 (e)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	A survey or field assessment carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit must be conducted by an environmental specialist.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
23	7 (f)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to flora and vegetation must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Flora EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A

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24	7 (g)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Any biological survey carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit that relates to fauna must be conducted having regard to EPA's Technical Guidance – Terrestrial Fauna EIA. (i) where a biological survey is required to be submitted in support of an Assessment Report in accordance with condition 7(i), the biological survey is to be prepared in a data package which meets the requirements of the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments and submitted to Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments, by the Permit Holder.	N/A as per conditions 7(a) and 7(c).	N/A
25	7 (h)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The environmental assessment must include production of an Assessment Report.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a).	N/A
26	7 (i)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	The Assessment Report must set out: (i) all of the information required to be provided in a Desktop Report in accordance with condition 6(d) of this Permit; (ii) a summary of results of all surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit, that apply to the area of native vegetation to be cleared; (iii) whether the outcome of the environmental assessment indicates that the clearing is at variance, may be at variance, not likely to be at variance or not at variance with each of the clearing principles; (iv) a Vegetation Management Plan (VMP), subject to condition 7(j), for the clearing, endorsed by an environmental specialist; and (v) any offset proposal developed pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit.	N/A as per conditions 6(e), 6(f) and 7(a).	N/A
27	7 (j)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), the Assessment Report must include a VMP.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles, as per the CDR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A

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28	7 (k)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where a VMP is required by condition 7(j), a VMP must include the following: (i) The scope of the project activities and of the VMP; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) allocation of responsibilities for implementation of the management actions to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iv) timing of each management action; (v) a monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; (vi) actions to be taken in the event of non-compliance with management actions; and (vii) details of revegetation to be undertaken, where required under condition 9 of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 7(J).	N/A
29	7 (l)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	VMP management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder pursuant to condition 8(b)(i) and 8(b)(ii) to avoid, mitigate or manage land degradation, water quality deterioration, or flooding must be developed in consultation with the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the CEO.	N/A as per condition 7(J).	N/A
30	7 (m)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), no clearing must be undertaken in relation to project activities unless an Assessment Report relating to those project activities has been approved by the CEO.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles, as per the CDR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
31	7 (n)	Assessment of clearing impacts-environmental assessment	Where the outcome of the Assessment Report indicates that the clearing is at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles, except where the variance relates to condition 6(f), submissions shall be sought in accordance with condition 8, unless advised in writing by the CEO that seeking submissions is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles, as per the CDR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A

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32	8 (a)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must: (i) publish on its website a notification regarding the project activities and inviting submission from the public with respect to the proposed clearing; and (ii) invite submissions from the following parties about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with one or more of the clearing principles: A. the local government responsible for the area that is to be cleared; B. the owner (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), or occupier (as defined in section 51A of the EP Act), of any land on which the clearing is proposed to be done; C. any environment or community groups that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done; and D. any other party that the Permit Holder considers may have an interest in the clearing that is proposed to be done.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
33	8 (b)	Submissions – interested parties	Where required pursuant to condition 7(n) of this Permit, in addition to the requirements of condition 8(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must invite submissions: (i) from the Office of the Commissioner of Soil and Land Conservation in the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (g), (i) or (j); (ii) from the CEO about those impacts of the proposed clearing that are likely to be at variance or may be at variance with clearing principles (f), (i) and (j).	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
34	8 (c)	Submissions – interested parties	Submissions under conditions 8(a) and 8(b) are not required to be sought if the clearing is at variance or may be at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
35	8 (d)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to publish submissions if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A

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36	8 (e)	Submissions – interested parties	Pursuant to conditions 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit, the Permit Holder must publish the following information on its website during the submission period: (i) a copy of the Assessment Report required by condition 7(h) of this Permit; (ii) management actions to be taken by the Permit Holder to avoid, mitigate or manage the impacts of the clearing; (iii) the relevant sections of the executive summary and the conclusion of reports of biological surveys and field assessments carried out pursuant to condition 7(c) of this Permit; (iv) an outline of any rehabilitation, revegetation, or offset proposal proposed to be implemented in relation to the clearing; and (v) instructions for making a submission on the proposed clearing.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
37	8 (f)	Submissions – interested parties	The information required by condition 8(e) must also be included on the Permit Holder’s website.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
38	8 (g)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must allow a period of at least 21 days for submissions to be made.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
39	8 (h)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder must publish on its website a summary of all submissions received pursuant to condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this Permit and a statement addressing each of those submissions.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
40	8 (i)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a)(i), 8(f) and 8(h) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
41	8 (j)	Submissions – interested parties	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(e)(iii), of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A as per condition 7(n).	N/A
Part III - Management					
42	9 (a)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works as soon as possible, but no later than 24 months after the area is no longer required for the purpose for which it was cleared.	N/A as the proposed clearing does not involve temporary works, as per Section 9 of the CDR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
43	9 (b)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate an area specified in condition 9(a) of this Permit if the Permit Holder intends to use that cleared area for another project activity within 24 months of that area no longer being required for the purpose for which it was originally cleared under this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
44	9 (c)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works if the CEO advises so in writing.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
45	9 (d)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 9(f) and 9(g) if the area to be revegetated and rehabilitated is: (i) 0.5 hectares or less; and (ii) is either not or not likely to be at variance with all of the clearing principles.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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46	9 (e)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works in accordance with a Revegetation Plan prepared by utilising the methodology described in the current version of the Department's A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits and approved by the CEO or in accordance with Conditions 9(f).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
47	9 (f)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Pursuant to Conditions 9(a) - (e), where revegetation and rehabilitation is required, the Permit Holder must revegetate and rehabilitate areas cleared for temporary works by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) retaining the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorized under this Permit; (ii) re-shaping the surface of the land so that it is consistent with the surrounding five metres of uncleared land; (iii) ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; (iv) laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained under condition 9(c)(i) on the cleared area(s); (v) establishing quadrat monitoring sites within the revegetated and rehabilitated area in accordance with the methodology described in the Department's 'A Guide to Preparing Revegetation Plans for Clearing Permits' provided in Annexure 1; (vi) implementing hygiene protocols by cleaning earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the revegetated and rehabilitated area; (vii) undertake annual weed control activities; and (viii) achieving the below completion criteria within ten years within the revegetated and rehabilitated areas; <p>Refer to table in CPS 818/17 document under this condition for Criterion, Aspect, Scale, Completion criteria and Monitoring frequency.</p>	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
48	9 (g)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	<p>Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions for areas revegetated and rehabilitated where monitoring, after year five, indicates that revegetation is unlikely to meet the completion criteria, outlined in condition 9(f), including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) revegetate the area by deliberately planting native vegetation and/or direct seeding native vegetation at an optimal time that will result in the minimum target in 9(c) and ensuring that only local provenance species are used; (ii) undertake further weed control activities; and (iii) monitoring of the revegetated and rehabilitated site, by an environmental specialist, is to be undertaken after year 1, 2, 3 and 5 of remedial actions to ascertain if completion criteria outlined in 9(f) are met. 	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
49	9 (h)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	If condition 9(g)(iii) monitoring identifies that completion criteria has not been met, the Permit Holder must undertake remedial actions described in condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A

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50	9 (i)	Revegetation and Rehabilitation	The Permit Holder may seek approval from the CEO of alternative completion criteria as outlined in condition 9(f) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
51	10 (a)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit in any part of a region that has an average annual rainfall of greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of dieback: (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;	N/A. The proposed clearing is Not in a region that has an average annual rainfall greater than 400 millimetres and is south of the 26th parallel of latitude, as per section 10 of CDR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
52	10 (b)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	ensure that no known dieback-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material are brought into an area that is dieback free; and	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
53	10 (c)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land managed by Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA), the Permit Holder must, prior to clearing, implement a dieback management plan endorsed by DBCA for minimising the spread of dieback.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
54	10 (d)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	If movement of soil is necessary in conditions other than dry conditions and the clearing will impact land other than DBCA managed land, if the area proposed to be cleared may introduce or spread dieback into uninfested areas, in addition to the requirements of condition 10(a), (b) and (c), the Permit Holder must minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of dieback by: (i) mapping dieback areas, including infested, uninfested and uninterpretable, within the area to be cleared, prior to clearing; (ii) ensuring that no clearing occurs in infested areas during rain events where there is a risk of transporting material into uninfested areas; (iii) demarcating all dieback areas, including infested, uninterpretable and uninfested, with flagging tape and appropriate signage prior to clearing; (iv) establishing clean on entry points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to entering dieback uninfested and uninterpretable areas; (v) establishing clean on exist points to ensure machines and other vehicles are clean of soil and vegetation prior to existing dieback infested and uninterpretable areas; (vi) restrict the access of unauthorised machines and other vehicles to the areas to be cleared; (vii) ensuring that drainage is directed away from uninfested areas; and (viii) monitoring the implementation of dieback management actions through daily visual inspections and keeping an inspection log.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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55	10 (e)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	Where the Permit Holder is notified by the Department or in a written report provided to the Permit Holder, from an environmental specialist, that the area to be cleared may be susceptible to a pathogen other than dieback, the Permit Holder must: (i) obtain the advice of an environmental specialist; (ii) take appropriate steps in accordance with that advice to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of that pathogen.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
56	10 (f)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds: (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared; (ii) ensure that no known weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
57	10 (g)	Dieback, other pathogen and weed control	At least once in each 12 month period for five years from the commencement of clearing for a project activity under condition 1(a), the Permit Holder must remove or kill any weeds growing within areas cleared under this Permit, where those weeds are likely, on the advice of an environmental specialist, to spread to and result in environmental harm to adjacent areas of native vegetation that are in good or better condition.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A
Part IV - Offsets					
58	11 (a)	Determination of offsets	If part or all of the clearing associated with a project activity is at variance with any one of the clearing principles (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) or (h), the Permit Holder must provide to the CEO for approval prior to clearing, an offset proposal, endorsed by an environmental specialist, unless advised in writing by the CEO that an offset proposal is not required.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles, as per the CDR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A
59	11 (b)	Determination of offsets	In preparing an offset proposal, the Permit Holder must ensure consistency with the principles in the current WA environmental offsets Policy and have regard to the current environmental offsets guidelines.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
60	11 (c)	Determination of offsets	An offset proposal is not required if the clearing is at variance to only clearing principle (f) and no other clearing principles, that the area of the proposed clearing at variance is less than 0.5 hectares and the clearing principle (f) impacts only relate to: (i) a minor non-perennial watercourse(s); and/or (ii) a wetland that is not a defined wetland.	N/A as the proposed clearing is not at variance with any of the clearing principles, as per the CDR (MRWA, 2024).	N/A

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61	11 (d)	Determination of offsets	If it is necessary to modify the offset proposal approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified offset proposal to the CEO for the CEO's approval and prior to implementing the modified offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
62	11 (e)	Determination of offsets	The Permit Holder must implement the latest version of the offset proposal approved by the CEO.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
Part V - Monitoring, reporting & auditing					
63	12 (a)	Monitoring	The Permit Holder must monitor: (i) areas that are the subject of a VMP, implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit; (ii) areas revegetated and rehabilitated under this Permit to determine compliance with the monitoring requirements of condition 9(e) to (h) of this Permit; and (ii) areas that are the subject of an offset implemented pursuant to condition 11 of this Permit to determine compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(j). (ii) N/A as per condition 9(a). (iii) N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
64	13 (a)	Records of assessment and clearing	The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit: (a) In relation to the clearing of native vegetation pursuant to condition 1(a) of this Permit: (i) description and justification of the actions and management measures taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing pursuant with condition 5 of this Permit; (ii) a copy of any Desktop Report and Assessment Report produced pursuant with condition 6 and 7 of this Permit; (iii) the dates and list of interested parties where submissions were requested in accordance within condition 8(a) and 8(b); (iv) the location where the clearing occurred; (v) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (vi) for a cleared area greater than 0.5 hectares, the boundaries of the area of clearing required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (vii) for a cleared area of 0.5 hectares or less, a co-ordinate of the location where the clearing occurred; (viii) the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year; and (ix) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) Section 4 of the CDR (MRWA, 2024); (ii) CDR; (iii) N/A as per condition 7(n); (iv), (vii), (viii), (ix) MRWA website - CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amount of clearing and dates. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/clearing-and-revegetation/annual-clearing/ ; (v) Section 6 of the CDR; (vi) N/A.	C

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65	13 (b)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each VMP implemented pursuant to condition 7(k) of this Permit: (i) a description of management actions undertaken; (ii) the dates for completion of relevant management action; (iii) results of the monitoring and maintenance program for assessing the implementation of management actions; and (iv) description of actions undertaken in the event of non-compliance with management actions.	N/A as per condition 7(j).	N/A
66	13 (c)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the revegetation and rehabilitation of areas pursuant to condition 9 of this Permit: (i) the location of any area revegetated and rehabilitated (ii) the boundaries of the area of revegetation required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (iii) a description of the revegetation and rehabilitation activities undertaken; (iv) the size of the area revegetated and rehabilitated (in hectares); and (v) results of the monitoring against the completion criteria in accordance with condition 9(f); and (vi) remedial actions undertaken in accordance with condition 9(g).	N/A as per condition 9(a).	N/A
67	13 (d)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to the control of weeds, dieback and other pathogens pursuant to condition 10 of this Permit: (i) a copy of any dieback management plan prepared in accordance with condition 10(c) of this Permit; (ii) a map of the dieback management areas and associated clean on entry and exist points in accordance with condition 10(d); (iii) description of the dieback management actions undertaken in accordance with condition 10(d); (iv) for any pathogen other than dieback, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with condition 10(e) of this Permit; and (v) for any weed, the appropriate steps taken in accordance with conditions 10(f) and 10(g) of this Permit.	N/A as per condition 10(a).	N/A

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68	13 (e)	Records of assessment and clearing	In relation to each offset implemented pursuant to Part IV of this Permit: (i) a copy of each offset proposal approved by the CEO in accordance with condition 11 of this Permit; (ii) payment records into the WA offset fund; (iii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the location of any offset implemented; (iv) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the boundaries of the area of offset required for project activities recorded as a shapefile; (v) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, a description of activities undertaken to implement the approved offset proposal; (vi) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, the size of the area of each offset (in hectares); and (vii) where the Permit Holder provides on-ground offsets, results of the monitoring against the compliance with the relevant approved offset proposal.	N/A as per condition 11(a).	N/A
69	14 (a)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.	Correspondance letter from MRWA - Subject: 2023 Annual Report for Purpose Clearing Permit CPS 817/7 and CPS 818/17 - To: DWER (Alistair Jones, Director General) - From: MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - Dated 25 June 2024 - MRWA Ref: 10/370 D24#820295 (CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024)). This letter was attached to an email sent to DWER on 27/06/2024.	C
70	14 (b)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish this report on its website within 30 days of submitting the report to the CEO.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months.	C

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71	14 (c)	Reporting	The report, required by condition 14(a), must set out the records required to be maintained pursuant to condition 13 of this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024) includes the following data for each relevant project: - number of hectares approved and cleared, dates and coordinates of clearing. - whether a CDR or a CAR was prepared and the date of endorsement/ approval. - whether revegetation or offset records were required. - whether a VMP was required and if the project monitored in accordance with contract management and incident management system. - whether dieback management or weed management were required.	C
72	14 (d)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish on its website, on or before 30 July of each year, the total amount of clearing done (in hectares) in each region between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year in accordance with this Permit.	The CPS 818 Clearing 2023 correspondence letter (MRWA, 2024) dated 25 June 2024 states that the report required by condition 14(a) is already published on MRWA website and it will remain published for at least twelve months. The total amount of clearing in each region is included within the CPS 818 Clearing 2023 Report (MRWA, 2024).	C

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73	14 (e)	Reporting	For project activity clearing, the Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website a copy of the Desktop Report/Assessment Report, no later than three months after clearing commencing.	CDR is currently (July 2025) published on MRWA website (Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/4ab580/globalassets/community-environment/environment/clearing-intext/2024/wheatbelt/3201-h052-brookton-hwy-315-slk-intersection-upgrade-clearing-asesment-report.pdf). MRWA internal correspondence emails indicated that CDR (MRWA, 2024) was published on 30/10/2024 , which is not within the three months of clearing start 3/04/2024 . NC relates to timing as the CAR was not published within three months after clearing commenced.	NC
74	14 (f)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must, unless otherwise agreed with the CEO, publish on its website on or before 30 July each year, for clearing undertaken 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year the following information: (i) a summary of submissions received for each project activity required by condition 8(h); (ii) the location where the clearing occurred; (iii) the size of the area to be cleared (in hectares) for the project activities; (iv) the location of revegetation and rehabilitation areas cleared for temporary works pursuant to condition 9(a); and (v) the dates on which the clearing was done.	(i) N/A as per condition 7(n). (ii), (iii) and (v) CPS 818 Report 2024 (MRWA, 2025) includes the co-ordinates where clearing occurred, total amounts of clearing and dates when clearing was conducted. (iv) N/A as per condition 9(a).	C
75	14 (g)	Reporting	The Permit Holder must publish the information required in condition 14(e) and (f) for a period not less than 12 months.	N/A as the 12 month period would be next year in June.	N/A
76	14 (h)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 14(a), 14(c), 14(d), 14(e) and 14(f) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 31 December 2020.	N/A. Clearing activities were undertaken between 3/4/2024 and 18/5/2024.	N/A
77	14 (i)	Reporting	The Permit Holder is not required to comply with condition 14(e) of this Permit for the clearing of project activities undertaken or authorised under this Permit prior to 30 June 2023.	N/A. Clearing activities were undertaken between 3/4/2024 and 18/5/2024.	N/A

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78	15 (a)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an internal auditor to conduct internal environmental audits for areas specified in condition 15(c) of this Permit to determine the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, with particular emphasis on: (i) the location and extent of native vegetation cleared; (ii) the implementation status of any offsets imposed; (iii) the effectiveness of any VMP implemented; and (iv) the implementation status of any revegetation or rehabilitation undertaken.	MRWA advised that the Preston Consulting's current external audit of projects cleared in 2023 and 2024 will double as the "internal audit" of CPS 818 clearing in 2024, as has been an accepted protocol for several years. As the external audit is required only every two years. The internal audit for every other second year is undertaken by MRWA. Internal Audit undertaken by MRWA for the 2023 clearing was referred by MRWA letter to DWER RE: Reporting of Internal Audits Main Roads Purpose Permits CPS 817 and CPS 818 - MRWA Ref: 10/369 D24#1521455 - To: Alistair Jones (DWER Director General) - From: Martine Scheltema (MRWA Director Environment and Heritage) - Date: 17/12/2024 (Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024)).	C
79	15 (b)	Internal auditing	The internal environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November annually for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	A copy of MRWA 2024_2025 Internal Environmental Audit and Surveillance Program was provided to indicate when internal audits were completed for each of the audited projects. Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states that the internal audits were completed between 1 November 2023 and 28 November 2024.	C
80	15 (c)	Internal auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 15(a) must be selected by the internal auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous 12 months and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) states: "an appropriate sample size of projects were selected by the Auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework that was determined in consultation with the CEO's delegate on 9 April 2024".	C
81	15 (d)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the internal environmental audits.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions. Tables 2 and 3 include detail of how MRWA is implementing these actions.	C

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82	15 (e)	Internal auditing	The Permit Holder must provide written reports of the internal environmental audits conducted pursuant to this condition 15 of this Permit to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year for the term of this Permit. The reports must include details of corrective action taken by the Permit Holder to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit.	Internal Audit Report Letter (MRWA, 2024) is dated 17/12/2024 and Tables 2 and 3 include non-compliances and corrective actions.	C
83	16 (a)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must engage an external accredited lead environmental auditor to undertake environmental audits of the Permit Holder's compliance with the conditions of this Permit, including VMPs, revegetation and rehabilitation activities and approved offset proposals, for each of the regions in which clearing is done under this Permit.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit conducted by Marilyn Quintero, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 433507. Previous external audit was undertaken in 2023 by Preston Consulting and conducted by Douglas Koontz, accredited Lead Auditor through Exemplar Global - Certificate Number 14477.	C
84	16 (b)	External auditing	The areas to be audited under condition 16(a) must be selected by the lead environmental auditor using a structured and documented risk-based selection framework and must use an appropriate sample size of projects in each region in which clearing has been done under this Permit within the previous two calendar years and determined in consultation with the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. Section 2 of the audit report (Preston Consulting, 2025) includes description of the accepted project selection process for the sample size of clearing activities conducted within the two previous calendar years.	C
85	16 (c)	External auditing	The external environmental audits must be done on or before 30 November of every second year for the term of this Permit and/or as otherwise required by the CEO.	Current external audit undertaken by Preston Consulting. This audit report Ref. Preston Consulting - 2025 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/17 - 2023/2024 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-02 - Nov 2025 (Preston Consulting, 2025). Previous external audit report. Ref. Preston Consulting - 2023 - Compliance Audit Report Clearing Permit CPS 818/15 - 2022 Clearing - DOC ID: MAI-CPS-RPT-01 - 6/10/2023 (Preston Consulting, 2023). Previous and current external audits were conducted before 30 November of the relevant year.	C

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86	16 (d)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must implement corrective action required to address any non-compliance with conditions of this Permit identified from the external environmental audits.	N/A as previous external audit (Preston Consulting, 2023) did not report any non-compliances.	N/A
87	16 (e)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must provide the lead environmental auditor's written reports of the external environmental audits to the CEO on or before 30 December of each year that an external environmental audit is conducted.	Correspondance email from MRWA (Martine Scheltema, Director Environment and Heritage) - to DWER (Mike Young, Senior Manager Native Vegetation Regulation) - subject: Main Roads CPS 818 External and Internal Audit Report for clearing in 2022 - dated: 15/12/23. Email demonstrates that external audit report was provided to the CEO of DWER before 30 Dec 2023.	C
88	16 (f)	External auditing	The Permit Holder must publish the lead environmental auditor's full report, and any corrective actions implemented to address identified non-compliance or improvement opportunities, of the external environmental audits on its website, on or before 30 January, for the term of this Permit.	A summary report of the external audit and improvement actions is published in MRWA website. Ref: MRWA - Summary of the Findings of the 2023 External Audit of Compliance with CPS 818 and the Improvement Actions to be undertaken by Main Roads - CPS 818/15 External Audit December 2023. Link: https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/49417f/globalassets/community-environment/environment/compliance-audit/main-roads-cps-818-2023-external-audit-report-summary-of-findings.pdf The summary report was published in March 2024. However, the external audit was conducted under CPS 818/15. This version did not specify a date for the audit report to be published.	C



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Hi Paul,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the methodology and sample size of the external audit required under conditions of Clearing Permit CPS 818/17.

DWER approves the methodology of sampling a minimum of 20% of projects in group 1 and a minimum of 10% of projects from group 2 from each region (identified in attachment).

However can you please confirm that the number of projects in each region that will be sampled in each of the groups is correct. For example, only one project has been listed from group 1 in the South West region, which implies that at most only 5 projects were assessed during the period that met the criteria. It might just be a wrong presumption on DWER's end but only five projects in the whole south west seems low for group 1, and likewise for group 2 in the southwest region. In order to confirm that the correct number of projects have been selected/sampled during the audit, please outline in the report how the number chosen is reflective of the total projects assessed for each region during the time period.

Regards

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Hi Mat,

As you know, CPS 818/17 requires Main Roads to undertake an external audit every two years. The most recent amendment to CPS 818 now requires the external environmental auditor to select projects to audit using a structured and documented risk – based selection framework and appropriate sample size of projects from each of Main Roads' eight regions, where that clearing occurred between 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2024. CPS 818/17 also requires that this methodology and sample size is developed in consultation with the CEO of Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER), which is the purpose of this email.

Main Road has engaged the services of Preston Consulting Pty Ltd (Preston Consulting) as an external auditor, and, as per Condition 16(b), please find attached a letter from Preston Consulting documenting the methodology it used to determine the number and areas they plan to audit.

The methodology proposed by Preston appears well considered and replicable and is based on the 2024 internal audit project selection process, which, as per condition 15c, also involved DWER consultation. As such, I believe DWER will be supportive of the methodology proposed by Preston Consulting.

As per Condition 16(b) of CPS 818/17, please review the methodology and the sample size detailed in the attached letter and advise whether the department is supportive of the auditing approach proposed by Preston Consulting.

Regards

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