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EPBC Act Compliance Report

Brand Highway widening and passing lanes project 34.83-164.3 SLK, WA
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1 Introduction

1.1 Background

Main Roads Western Australia (Main Roads) is currently undertaking widening and passing lanes works on Brand Highway between 34.83-164.3 Straight Line Kilometres (SLK), in the Shire of Gingin and Shire of Dandaragan (the Project). The improvements are intended to improve the safety of Brand Highway by providing safe overtaking opportunities and improving the functionality of the road.

The Main Roads Mid-West Gascoyne Region is delivering the Project in stages based on funding availability. Project implementation commenced on 11 December 2019. Main Roads notified the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment (the Department) of Project commencement in writing on 12 December 2019 (Appendix E). Activities undertaken during the reporting period (11 December 2020 to 11 December 2021) comprised clearing and construction of sections of the Project between 120-136 SLK and 139-152 SLK.

1.2 Approval under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*

The Project was referred to the Department in January 2017 for assessment under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act). The Project was determined to be a Controlled Action on 16 March 2017 due to its potential impacts on listed threatened species and communities. The Department granted approval for the Project on 25 September 2019 (EPBC 2017/7864), which included a number of conditions that Main Roads is required to fulfil.

1.3 Purpose of this Report

This compliance report has been produced to satisfy Condition 13 of approval EPBC 2017/7864. Table 1 of this report assesses the Project's compliance against each approval condition over the 12 month reporting period: 11 December 2020 to 11 December 2021.

2 Compliance

Table 1: Compliance with Conditions of EPBC Approval 2017/7864

Condition Number	Condition	Status	Evidence/Comments
1	To minimise impacts to EPBC Act listed threatened species and ecological communities, the approval holder must not clear more than 37.8 ha of vegetation as required under Condition 3 (Area of clearing) of the Western Australian approval.	Compliant	A total of 9.86 ha hectares (ha) of native vegetation was cleared for the project during the reporting period. A total of 19.77 ha of native vegetation has been cleared for the project to date. This is in line with Condition 3 of the Western Australian approval. The areas cleared during the reporting period area shown in Appendix A.
2	To minimise impacts to the Carnaby's Black Cockatoo, the approval holder must not clear more than 36.49 ha of Carnaby's Black Cockatoo habitat.	Compliant	A total of 4.10 ha of Carnaby's Black Cockatoo habitat was cleared during the reporting period. The total clearing of Carnaby's Black Cockatoo habitat undertaken for the Project to date is 13.26 ha.
3	To minimise impacts to the Banksia Woodlands threatened ecological community, the approval holder must not clear more than 15.24 ha of vegetation identified as the Banksia Woodlands threatened ecological community.	Compliant	A total of 3.84 ha of the Banksia Woodlands threatened ecological community was cleared during the reporting period. The total clearing of Banksia Woodlands threatened ecological community undertaken for the Project to date is 12.54 ha.
4	To minimise impacts to EPBC Act listed threatened species and ecological communities, the approval holder must comply with Conditions 2 (Land on which clearing is to be done), Condition 3 (Area of clearing), Condition 6 (Avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing), Condition 7 (Dieback and weed management) and Condition 8 (Fauna Management) of the Western Australian approval.	Compliant	Works undertaken to date have been conducted in accordance with Condition 2, 3, 6, 7, and 8 of CPS 7533/2. Refer to Appendix B for a summary of condition compliance.

Condition Number	Condition	Status	Evidence/Comments
5	<p>To offset the residual significant impacts to the Carnaby's Black Cockatoo and the Banksia Woodlands threatened ecological community the approval holder must comply with Condition 9 (Offsets) of the Western Australian approval. Funds referred to in Condition 9 (Offsets) of the Western Australian approval must be used for the purchase of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. At least 226 hectares of Carnaby's Black Cockatoo habitat; and, b. At least 91 hectares of the Banksia Woodlands threatened ecological community. <p>The offset(s) must meet the requirements of the <i>Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 Environmental Offsets Policy</i> (October 2012).</p>	Compliant	<p>A financial contribution was made to the Western Australian Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) Offset Fund on 24 May 2019 to fully fund the purchase of an offset site/s for the Project. Refer to Appendix C for the receipts.</p>
6	<p>Within 12 months of the commencement of the action (or otherwise agreed by the Department in writing), the person taking the action must provide the Department with the offsets attributes and a shapefile.</p>	Compliant	<p>An 18-month extension was agreed to by the Department in writing on 20 January 2021. The revised timeframe for supplying the offsets attributes and shapefile is 11 June 2022.</p> <p>Refer to Appendix D for copy of the extension approval.</p>
7	<p>The approval holder must notify the Department in writing of the date of commencement of the action within 10 business days after the date of commencement of the action.</p>	Compliant	<p>The action commenced on 11 December 2019. Main Roads notified the Department of the commencement of the action in writing on 12 December 2019. Refer to Appendix E for copy of notification.</p>
8	<p>If the commencement of the action does not occur within 5 years from the date of this approval, then the approval holder must not commence the action without the prior written agreement of the Minister.</p>	Not applicable	<p>The project was approved on 25 September 2019 and the action was commenced on 11 December 2019.</p>

Condition Number	Condition	Status	Evidence/Comments
9	The approval holder must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • publish each plan approved under condition 4 on the website within 20 business days of the date the plan is approved, or a revision to the plan is approved; • exclude or redact sensitive ecological data from plans published on the website or provided to a member of the public; and • keep plans published on the website until at least the end date of this approval 	Compliant	The Dieback and Weed Management Plan (DWMP) was published on the Main Roads website on 27 January 2021. The plan was approved on 7 January 2021. Refer to Appendix F for copy of the website.
10	The approval holder must maintain accurate and complete compliance records.	Compliant	Main Roads has maintained records in accordance with this condition and its legal obligations, under the <i>State Records Act 2000</i> (Western Australia).
11	If the Department makes a request in writing, the approval holder must provide electronic copies of compliance records to the Department within the timeframe specified in the request.	Not applicable	To date, no direction has been received from the Department to provide electronic copies of any compliance records.
12	The approval holder must ensure that any monitoring data (including sensitive ecological data), surveys, maps, and other spatial and meta data required under a plan is prepared in accordance with the Department's Guidelines for biological survey and mapped data (2018) and submitted electronically to the Department in accordance with the requirements of the plan.	Not applicable	To date, no biological survey data has been required to be submitted under conditions of this approval.

Condition Number	Condition	Status	Evidence/Comments
13	<p>The approval holder must prepare a compliance report for each 12 month period following the date of commencement of the action, or otherwise in accordance with an annual date that has been agreed to in writing by the Minister. The approval holder must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. publish each compliance report on the website within 60 business days following the relevant 12 month period; b. notify the Department by email that a compliance report has been published on the website and provide the weblink for the compliance report within five business days of the date of publication; c. keep all compliance reports publicly available on the website until this approval expires; d. exclude or redact sensitive ecological data from compliance reports published on the website; and e. where any sensitive ecological data has been excluded from the version published, submit the full compliance report to the Department within 5 business days of publication. 	Compliant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The action commenced on 11 December 2019. This compliance report covers compliance for the reporting period 11 December 2020 to 11 December 2021. This compliance report will be published on the Main Roads website prior to 11 March 2022. b. The Department will be notified by email within five business days of the date of publication of this report. c. This report will remain publicly available on the Main Roads website until the expiration date of the project approval. d. No sensitive ecological data has been included in this report. e. No sensitive ecological data has been included in this report.
14	<p>The approval holder must notify the Department in writing of any: incident; non-compliance with the conditions; or non-compliance with the commitments made in plans. The notification must be given as soon as practicable, and no later than two business days after becoming aware of the incident or non-compliance. The notification must specify:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. any condition which is or may be in breach; and b. a short description of the incident and/or non-compliance. 	Not applicable	No incident; non-compliance with the conditions; or non-compliance with the commitments made in plans occurred during the reporting period.

Condition Number	Condition	Status	Evidence/Comments
15	<p>The approval holder must provide to the Department the details of any incident or non-compliance with the conditions or commitments made in plans as soon as practicable and no later than 10 business days after becoming aware of the incident or non-compliance, specifying:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. any corrective action or investigation which the approval holder has already taken or intends to take in the immediate future; b. the potential impacts of the incident or non-compliance; and c. the method and timing of any remedial action that will be undertaken by the approval holder. 	Not applicable	No incident; non-compliance with the conditions; or non-compliance with the commitments made in plans occurred during the reporting period.
16	The approval holder must ensure that independent audits of compliance with the conditions are conducted as requested in writing by the Minister.	Not applicable	To date, no direction has been received from the Minister to undertake an independent audit.
17	<p>For each independent audit, the approval holder must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. provide the name and qualifications of the independent auditor and the draft audit criteria to the Department; b. only commence the independent audit once the audit criteria have been approved in writing by the Department; and c. submit an audit report 	Not applicable	To date, no direction has been received from the Minister to undertake an independent audit.

Condition Number	Condition	Status	Evidence/Comments
18	The approval holder must publish the audit report on the website within 10 business days of receiving the Department's approval of the audit report and keep the audit report published on the website until the end date of this approval.	Not applicable	To date, no direction has been received from the Minister to undertake an independent audit.
19	Within 30 days after the completion of the action, the approval holder must notify the Department in writing and provide completion data.	Not applicable	The action has not yet been completed.

3 Appendices

Appendix A: Figures showing clearing undertaken during reporting period



Figure 1: Clearing completed between 120-125.6 SLK (Plan 7533/2j)



Figure 2: Clearing completed between 125.3-131.4 SLK (Plan 7533/2k)



Figure 3: Clearing completed between 130.8-136 SLK (Plan 7533/2I)



Figure 4: Clearing completed between 139-142.8 SLK (Plan 7533/2n)



Figure 5: Clearing completed between 142.6-146.6 SLK (Plan 7533/2o)



Figure 6: Clearing completed between 146.6-152 SLK (Plan 7533/2p)

Appendix B: Evidence of Compliance with CPS 7753/2 Conditions 2, 3, 6, 7, and 8 during the Reporting Period

Condition Number	Condition	Status	Evidence/Comments
2	<p>Condition 2: Land on which clearing is to be done</p> <p>Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 1358753), Hill River Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 1358743), Badgingarra Lot 4180 on Plan 215549, Badgingarra Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 1358737), Badgingarra Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 11674695), Badgingarra Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 11674696), Badgingarra Lot 4255 on Plan 209084, Badgingarra Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 11579146), Cooljarloo Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 11674269), Cooljarloo Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 11674270), Cataby Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 1226149), Cataby Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 1226168), Yathroo Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 1226171), Regans Ford Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 1226192), Red Gully Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 1188398), Orange Springs Lot 13800 on Plan 206476, Red Gully Lot 14246 on Plan 27746, Red Gully Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 11674225), Granville</p>	Compliant	<p>Clearing undertaken during the reporting period occurred on land:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 11579146), Cooljarloo • Lot 4255 on Plan 209084, Badgingarra • Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 11674696), Badgingarra • Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 11674695), Badgingarra • Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 1358737), Badgingarra • Lot 4180 on Plan 215549, Badgingarra • Brand Highway road reserve (PIN 1358743), Badgingarra
3	<p>Condition 3: Area of clearing</p> <p>(a) The Permit Holder must not clear more than 1.3 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2a. (b) The Permit Holder must not clear more than 2.2 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2b.</p>	Compliant	<p>a) No clearing to date b) 0.50 ha cleared in the 2019-2020 reporting period c) 2.61 ha cleared in the 2019-2020 reporting period d) 1.80 ha cleared in the 2019-2020 reporting period e) 1.21 ha cleared in the 2019-2020 reporting period</p>

Condition Number	Condition	Status	Evidence/Comments
	<p>(c) The Permit Holder must not clear more than 2.7 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2c.</p> <p>(d) The Permit Holder must not clear more than 1.8 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2d.</p> <p>(e) The Permit Holder must not clear more than 1.6 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2e.</p> <p>(f) The Permit Holder must not clear more than 2.1 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2f.</p> <p>(g) The Permit Holder must not clear more than 2.6 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2g.</p> <p>(h) The Permit Holder must not clear more than 2.2 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2h.</p> <p>(i) The Permit Holder must not clear more than 2.2 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2i.</p> <p>(j) The Permit Holder must not clear more than 6 hectares of native vegetation within the combined area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2j, Plan 7533/2k and Plan 7533/2l.</p> <p>(k) The Permit Holder must not clear more than 2.5 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2m.</p>		<p>f) 1.67 ha cleared in the 2019-2020 reporting period</p> <p>g) 2.12 ha cleared in the 2019-2020 reporting period</p> <p>h) No clearing to date</p> <p>i) No clearing to date</p> <p>j) 5.88 ha cleared in this reporting period</p> <p>k) No clearing to date</p> <p>l) 3.98 ha cleared in this reporting period</p> <p>m) No clearing to date</p>


Condition Number	Condition	Status	Evidence/Comments
	<p>(l) The Permit Holder must not clear more than 4.6 hectares of native vegetation within the combined area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2n, Plan 7533/2o and Plan 7533/2p.</p> <p>(m) The Permit Holder must not clear more than 6 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2q.</p>		
6	<p>Condition 6: Avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing</p> <p>In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder must have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference:</p> <p>(a) avoid the clearing of native vegetation;</p> <p>(b) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and</p> <p>(c) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.</p>	Compliant	<p>The Project footprint was refined to the smallest possible area during the development phase and environmental matters were considered in selecting the design in balance with safety requirements. The design was tailored from the standard for safety and functionality to provide steepened batters to reduce the footprint. Other design features such as the placement of safety barriers, the extent of widening in relation to the road centreline and the installation of road drainage considered the minimum Project footprint while maintaining the safety integrity of the road.</p> <p>Further reductions on site enabled a smaller area to be cleared than approvals allowed. For example, the clearing area was demarcated prior to the commencement of Project activities and the commencement of native vegetation clearing. Clearing for support infrastructure was avoided by locating the site office, materials storage areas, construction vehicles/machinery and access tracks on previously disturbed/ cleared areas.</p>

Condition Number	Condition	Status	Evidence/Comments
7	<p>Condition 7: Dieback and weed management</p> <p>(a) The Permit Holder must conduct a dieback survey of each of the areas cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2a, Plan 7533/2b, Plan 7533/2c, Plan 7533/2d, Plan 7533/2e, Plan 7533/2f, Plan 7533/2g, Plan 7533/2h, Plan 7533/2i, Plan 7533/2j, Plan 7533/2k, Plan 7533/2l, Plan 7533/2m, Plan 7533/2n, Plan 7533/2o, Plan 7533/2p and Plan 7533/2q, undertaken by a dieback specialist, to map the presence of dieback.</p> <p>(b) Each dieback survey undertaken in accordance with condition 7(a) of this Permit must be undertaken prior to, but no greater than 12 months from, commencing clearing within the related area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2a, Plan 7533/2b, Plan 7533/2c, Plan 7533/2d, Plan 7533/2e, Plan 7533/2f, Plan 7533/2g, Plan 7533/2h, Plan 7533/2i, Plan 7533/2j, Plan 7533/2k, Plan 7533/2l, Plan 7533/2m, Plan 7533/2n, Plan 7533/2o, Plan 7533/2p and Plan 7533/2q.</p> <p>(c) The Permit Holder must prepare a Dieback and Weed Management Plan for each of the areas cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2a, Plan 7533/2b, Plan 7533/2c, Plan 7533/2d, Plan 7533/2e, Plan 7533/2f, Plan 7533/2g, Plan 7533/2h, Plan 7533/2i, Plan 7533/2j, Plan 7533/2k, Plan 7533/2l, Plan 7533/2m, Plan 7533/2n, Plan 7533/2o, Plan 7533/2p and Plan 7533/2q, for minimising the spread and/or introduction of dieback and weeds.</p> <p>(d) Once the Permit Holder has developed a Dieback and Weed Management Plan, the Permit Holder must provide that Dieback and Weed Management Plan to the CEO for the</p>	Compliant	<p>a) A dieback survey was conducted over Plan 7533/2j, Plan 7533/2k, Plan 7533/2l, Plan 7533/2n, Plan 7533/2o and Plan 7533/2p during the reporting period.</p> <p>b) The dieback survey for Plan 7533/2j, Plan 7533/2k, Plan 7533/2l, Plan 7533/2n, Plan 7533/2o and Plan 7533/2p was undertaken from 5 November 2020 to 17 December 2020. The clearing commenced on 4 March 2021.</p> <p>c) A Dieback and Weed Management Plan (DWMP) was prepared for Plan 7533/2j, Plan 7533/2k, Plan 7533/2l, Plan 7533/2n, Plan 7533/2o and Plan 7533/2p during the reporting period.</p> <p>d) The DWMP was approved by the CEO on 7 January 2021 (see Appendix G) and implemented on 4 March 2021.</p> <p>e) The DWMP did not require any modifications and so further approval was not required.</p> <p>f) The latest version of the DWMP was implemented on site (Appendix H).</p>

Condition Number	Condition	Status	Evidence/Comments
	<p>CEO’s approval, prior to undertaking any clearing of any area to which the Dieback and Weed Management Plan is related, and prior to implementing the Dieback and Weed Management Plan.</p> <p>(e) If it is necessary to modify a Dieback and Weed Management Plan approved by the CEO, then the Permit Holder must provide that modified Dieback and Weed Management Plan to the CEO for the CEO’s approval prior to implementing the modified Dieback and Weed Management Plan.</p> <p>(f) The Permit Holder shall implement the latest version of each Dieback and Weed Management Plan approved by the CEO.</p>		
8	<p>Condition 8: Fauna management</p> <p>(a) Up to one week prior to undertaking clearing of any of the areas cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7533/2b, Plan 7533/2c, Plan 7533/2d, Plan 7533/2e, Plan 7533/2f and Plan 7533/2g, that area shall be inspected by a fauna specialist to identify chuditch (<i>Dasyurus geoffroii</i>) dens and individuals.</p> <p>(b) Where a chuditch (<i>Dasyurus geoffroii</i>) individual(s) is identified in accordance with condition 8(a) of this Permit, clearing shall only occur within that area after the individual has either:</p> <p>(i) moved on to adjacent suitable habitat of its own accord; or</p> <p>(ii) has been relocated to adjacent suitable habitat by a fauna specialist.</p>	Complaint	<p>a) No clearing was undertaken in any areas on Plans 7533/2b-g during the reporting period.</p> <p>b) Not applicable to the reporting period.</p> <p>c) Not applicable to the reporting period.</p> <p>d) Not applicable to the reporting period.</p> <p>e) Clearing was undertaken in one direction in a slow and progressive manner. Clearing was undertaken parallel to remnant native vegetation which would allow fauna to escape the clearing area.</p>

Condition Number	Condition	Status	Evidence/Comments
	<p>(c) Where a chuditch (<i>Dasyurus geoffroii</i>) den(s) is identified in accordance with condition 8(a) of this Permit, clearing shall only occur within that area after an equivalent replacement chuditch (<i>Dasyurus geoffroii</i>) den(s) has been installed in adjacent suitable habitat.</p> <p>(d) The Permit Holder is not required to comply with conditions 8(a), (b) and (c) of this Permit if the clearing of that area is undertaken during the period 1 January to 31 August.</p> <p>(e) The Permit Holder shall conduct clearing in a slow progressive manner towards adjacent remnant vegetation to allow fauna to escape the clearing activity.</p>		

Appendix C: Copy of Receipt for Offset Payment

	Government of Western Australia Department of Water and Environmental Regulation	RECEIPT		
	Locked Bag 10 Joondalup DC WA 6919	ABN: 28 420 443 065 Telephone: 08 6364 7000 Fax: Email: Accounts.Receivable@dwer.wa.gov.au		
Main Roads Western Australia PO Box 6202 EAST PERTH WA 6892		Receipt No.: RR012513 Date: 06/06/2019 Debtor Id: 60026 Page : 1 of 1		

<i>Date</i>	<i>Reference</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
24/05/2019	RI002465	CPS 7533/1 Paul West	16,200.00
24/05/2019	RI002466	CPS 7533/1 Paul West	51,750.00
24/05/2019	RI002467	CPS 7533/1 Paul West	50,700.00
24/05/2019	RI002468	CPS 7533/1 Paul West	6,210.00
24/05/2019	RI002469	CPS 7533/1 Paul West	35,190.00
24/05/2019	RI002470	CPS 7533/1 Paul West	21,450.00
24/05/2019	RI002471	CPS 7533/1 Paul West	44,850.00
24/05/2019	RI002472	CPS 7533/1 Paul West	60,450.00
24/05/2019	RI002473	CPS 7533/1 Paul West	113,400.00
24/05/2019	RI002474	CPS 7533/1 Paul West	29,250.00
Total Amount Received AUD:			429,450.00



Government of Western Australia
Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

RECEIPT

Locked Bag 10
Joondalup DC WA 6919

ABN: 28 420 443 065
Telephone: 08 6364 7000
Fax:
Email: Accounts.Receivable@dwer.wa.gov.au

Main Roads Western Australia
PO Box 6202
EAST PERTH WA 6892

Receipt No.: RR012512
Date: 06/06/2019
Debtor Id: 60026

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<i>Date</i>	<i>Reference</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Amount</i>
24/05/2019	RI002463	CPS 7533/1 Paul West	146,250.00
Total Amount Received AUD:			146,250.00

Appendix D: DAWE offset extension approval letter



Australian Government

Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment

Ref: 2017/7864

Ms Martine Scheltema
Manager Environment
Main Roads Western Australia
PO Box 6202
East Perth WA 6892

**Brand Highway Widening (EPBC 2017/7864) –
Extension of timeframe to provide offset attributes and shapefiles**

Dear Ms Scheltema

Thank you for your correspondence, dated 9 December 2020, to the Department requesting extension of the timeframe to provide offset attributes and shapefiles to the Department, as provided for in condition 6 attached to the approval decision made under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act) on 25 September 2019.

Officers of the Post Approvals Section have reviewed your request and briefed me. I agree to extend the timeframe for the provision of offset attributes and shapefiles to 30 months after commencement of the action (that is, by 11 June 2022).

Please note that, to remove any doubt regarding your obligations under the EPBC Act approval, I have agreed that this letter should be published on the Department's Referrals List website.

As you are aware, the Department has an active monitoring program, which includes monitoring inspections, desk top document reviews and audits. Please ensure that you maintain accurate records of all activities associated with, or relevant to, the conditions of approval so that they can be made available to the Department on request.

Should you require any further information please contact Robin Nielsen, Project Officer, Post Approvals Section, on 02 6274 1004 or by email: post.approvals@awe.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Narelle Sutherland
Acting Director
Post Approvals Section
Assessments (Vic and Tas) and Post Approvals Branch
Environment Approvals Division

20 January 2021

Appendix E: Email notification to the Department of Commencement of Action

(Please note: Personal details have been redacted for privacy purposes)



Enquiries: Ms Emma Fitzgerald, (08) [REDACTED]

Our Ref: 05/10786-07

Your Ref: EPBC 2017/7864

12/12/2019

John Foster
Director
Post Approvals, Department of the Environment and Energy
GPO Box 787
Canberra ACT 2601

Dear Mr Foster,

Brand Highway Widening and Passing Lanes Project 34.83-164.3 SLK, Western Australia (EPBC 2017/7864): Commencement of Action

Please be advised that Main Roads Western Australia commenced clearing for the Brand Highway Widening and Passing Lanes project on 11th December 2019. As such, please accept this correspondence as formal notification of commencement of the action as required by Condition 7 of EPBC 2017/7864.

Please contact Ms Emma Fitzgerald on (08) [REDACTED] if you have any queries in relation to this matter.

Yours sincerely

Martine Scheltema
Manager Environment

Copied: Mathew Gannaway, Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

Appendix F: Copy of the published reports on external website

https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/community-environment/environment/construction-project-reports/

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Construction Project Reports

Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Compliance Reporting requirements for specific projects can be found below.

∨ **Albany Highway - Kojonup to Balgarup**

∧ **Brand Highway Passing Lanes and Widening**

Condition 9 of EPBC 2017/7864 required the publication of the following Dieback and Weed Management Plans on our website within 20 business days of the plan being approved. They must remain on the website for the period approval EPBC 2017/7864 has effect (16 June 2039)

- Brand.Highway.Widening.and.Passing.Lanes.65:86.SLK.Dieback.and.Weed.Management.Plan
- Brand.Highway.Widening.120:152.SLK.Dieback.and.Weed.Management.Plan

Appendix G: Email approval of Dieback and Weed Management Plan from DWER



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Department of Water and Environmental Regulation

Our ref CPS 7533/2
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Attn: Emma Fitzgerald, Freea Itstein-Davey

Via email: clearingpermit@mainroads.wa.gov.au;
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freea.itzstein-davey@mainroads.wa.gov.au

Dear Ms. Owen,

CLEARING PERMIT CPS 7533/2 – BRAND HIGHWAY 120-136 SLK AND 139-152 SLK WIDENING – APPROVAL OF DIEBACK AND WEED MANAGEMENT PLAN

I refer to Main Roads Western Australia's (MRWA) correspondence dated 23 December 2020 providing a dieback and weed management plan (DWMP) for approval for the Brand Highway Widening (Brand Highway 120-136 SLK AND 139-152 SLK) project. I note that the clearing of 37.8 hectares of native vegetation for the project was previously approved by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) with an offset on 20 August 2019.

I understand that MRWA is now seeking approval of the DWMP (Brand Highway Widening 120-136 and 139-152 SLK) prepared in accordance with condition 7(c) of Clearing Permit CPS 7533/2.

DWER has reviewed the DWMP provided and in accordance with condition 7(d) of Clearing Permit CPS 7533/2, I approve the DWMP for the clearing within Plans 7533/2 j to p. I note an update to the DWMP encompassing the areas covered by Plans 7533/2 a to i and Plan q are still pending.

If you have any queries regarding the matters raised above, please contact Environmental Officer Ms. Rochelle Sweeney on (08) 6364 7128.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Meenu Vitarana'.

Meenu Vitarana
A/SENIOR MANAGER
NATIVE VEGETATION REGULATION

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

7 January 2021

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Appendix H: Evidence of implementation of DWMP

Appendix H.1 – Vehicle Inspection Form

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Plant & Equipment Register

CGG603E

PLA2000

Main

Plant ID

CGG603E

Plant / Equipment Type

Other

Location

RC20032 - Brand Hwy

Owner:

RDH

Make / Model No.

180 Debuts-Fahr

Serial No.

W5xc120200ld10153

Registration

CHG603E

Please add a photo of the Equipment



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INDICATORS

No Indicators

USER INVOLVEMENTS

ACTIONS

No Actions

RELATED RECORDS

No Related Records

ATTACHMENTS

No Attachments

COMMENTS

No Comments

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Yes

Seat belts fitted and in good condition

Yes

Seat covers

Yes

Seat in good condition and correctly adjusted

Yes

Secured spare tyre

N/A

Service sticker or service book documentation

N/A

Standard jack and wheel changing equipment

N/A

SWL / WWL displayed externally

N/A

Tyre condition and correctly inflated

Yes

Wheel chocks with carrying mounts

No

Windows, operational and clean

Yes

COMMENTS:

Doesn't have a emergency stop and risk assessment

Weed and Seed Check

The following areas have been inspected and are free from dirt and vegetation:

Internal areas (cabin)

Yes

Comments:

Clean all round including cutting gear

External areas – panels/ trays etc.

Yes

Comments:

All clean

Radiators and filters

Yes

Comments:

N/A

Dust bowls and cyclones (drill rig)

Yes

Comments:

N/A

Sump/ engine guard

Yes

Comments:

N/A

Buckets/ blades/ tines etc.

Yes

Comments:

N/A

Running gear/ bash plates

Yes

Comments:

N/A

Tyres/ wheels/ wheel arch/ tracks

Yes

Comments:

N/A

Undercarriage/ other

Yes

Comments:

N/A

Vehicle washdown completed

Yes

Comments:

N/A

Sign Off

Comments:

N/A

Name:

David Sarginson

I declare that this plant is in a safe condition, is free from defect and is fit for purpose:

Date:

04/03/2021


Appendix H.2 – Dieback Clean on Entry Point Signage



Dieback clean on entry and exit signs installed.



Appendix H.3 – Toolbox and Safety Meeting – Dieback presentation

TOOLBOX AND SAFETY MEETING		 RAUBEX CONSTRUCTION	
Doc No:	RHS-FM-026		Rev.2
Issue Date:	24/08/2020		This is a controlled document
Review Date:	24/08/2022		

Date:	31/3/2021	Project Number:	20032
Time:	06:00	Project Name:	BRAND HWY SEAL WIDENING
Project Manager/Engineer:	DAYNE SOLOMON	Site Supervisor:	DAVID SARGINSON

Review Last Meeting:
General Topics Raised:
PRESENTED DIEBACK/JHA TO TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT TEAM
Suggestions Offered:
Actions to be Taken:
Safety Topics Raised:
DIEBACK TOOLBOX - SEE ATTACHED PRESENTATION
Safety Actions to be Taken:
NOTE: RELATING TO AGGRESSIVE MOP'S, AVOID LANGUAGE OR BEHAVIOURS THAT MAY CAUSE ESCALATION. WE WANT TO AVOID VERBAL ABUSE BECOMING PHYSICAL.
Incidents / accidents to be Reviewed:
26 TH - VEHICLE CLIPS CARAVAN AT STOPPED TRAFFIC, MOP BECAME AGGRESSIVE
26 TH - PTS REPEATER SIGN HIT BY DRIVER APPROACHING STOPPED TRAFFIC

Name: DAN CAUGHEY	Signature: <i>D. Caughey</i>
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Appendix H.4 – Materials soil testing results



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LABORATORY TEST REPORT PLANT PATHOGENS

Client: BLACKTOP MATERIALS ENGINEERS
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Attention: Mr Derek Sherman
Mobile: N/A
Phone: (08) 99211878
Fax: (08) 9965 5730

Sample ID: 21BME342
Location: Soil - Sample 2
Sampling date: 02/09/21
Project: Brand Hwy Widening SLK. 120000 to 156000 – Ashleys Pit
(Logiwest Job No: 12445)

Job No: RGP912/21
Lab No: PPT966

Date received: 02/03/21
Report date: 15/03/21

TEST RESULTS

DETECTION OF PHYTOPHTHORA AND PYTHIUM SPP. (ROOT ROT)

Sample Lab No: PPT966


Phytophthora: Not detected

Pythium: Not detected

REMARKS:

Analysis done as per Plant Pathogens Standard Method for Phytophthora and Pythium determinations.

Analysis results relate only to samples as received.

Reported by: Maria Sevo 
Laboratory Manager

Date: 15/03/2021