

Supplementary Form C

- Threatened species & Ecological Communities
- Migratory species
- Listed marine species

(use Form A for Cetaceans)

Use this supplementary form if you are applying for a permit to kill, injure, take, trade, keep or move a listed species or ecological community, a listed migratory species, or a listed marine species in a Commonwealth Area. You will also need to complete "The General Permit Application Form".

If you are proposing to take or send specimens out of Australia it is likely that you will also need an export permit. Import permits may also be necessary for taking specimens into an overseas country. For more information on imports and exports contact the Wildlife Trade Assessments Section on 02 6274 1900 or email wps@awe.gov.au.

Please note that it is a requirement under subsection 200(3) of the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 that details of this application (which may include the applicant's name) be provided to persons or bodies registered with the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment under section 266A of the Act, and to whom notice of applications is to be given, for the purpose of inviting submissions from those persons or bodies regarding permit applications.

1 Under which section(s) of the EPBC Act are you applying for this permit?

It will help you complete your application if you know which list in the EPBC Act the affected species/ecological community appears on. Search the lists at: www.environment.gov.au/cgi-bin/sprat/public/sprat.pl

Please note some species appear on more than one list. For example, the Green Turtle Chelonia mydas is a listed threatened species, a listed migratory species, and a listed marine species.

Select all that apply

Section 201 — Listed threatened species and ecological communities	\boxtimes
Section 216 — Listed migratory species	
Section 258 — Listed marine species	

On the next page list details of species or ecological communities that will be affected by the action. Use the following codes to enter details in columns 3, 4 and 5.

Column 3 Conservation status of threatened species or ecological communities under EPBC Act

- EW Extinct in the wild
- EX Extinct
- CE Critically endangered
- EN Endangered
- VU Vulnerable
- CD Conservation dependent

Column 5 Type of effect

- DE Death
- IN Injury
- TR Trading
- TA Taking
- KE Keeping
- MO Moving

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Details of species or ecological communities that will be affected by the action.

Common name of listed species/ecological communities, listed migratory species, or listed marine species.	Scientific name of species Common and scientific names are available at the Department's website: www.environment.gov.au/cgi-bin/sprat/public/sprat.pl		Estimated number that will be affected. For ecological communities, provide estimate of the affected area	Type of effect
Red Ironbark – Cumberland Plain Shale Woodland	Eucalyptus fibrosa	CE	3 individual trees	DE
Forest Red Gum – Cumberland Plain Shale Woodland	Eucalyptus tereticornis	CE	1 individual tree	DE
Groundcover assemblages of above		involve the disturbance cover covers an area groundcover is on the levy and is regrowth, in the regenerate following of flood levy and supplet	The proposed action will involve the disturbance of ground cover covers an area of 300m². The groundcover is on the existing flood levy and is regrowth, not intact remnant. Area will be allowed to regenerate following completion of flood levy and supplementary planting of 3:1 tree replacement will be undertaken.	

Where the project is of less than 1 km2 in size, provide the location as a single pair of latitude and longitude references. Latitude and longitude references should be used instead of AMG and/or digital coordinates.

Locality:

Latitude:	degrees:	33	minutes:	58	seconds: 24.25 S
Longitude:	degrees:	150	minutes	55	seconds: 45.84 E

45.84

Where the project area is greater than 1 km², or any dimension is greater than 1 km, provide additional coordinates to enable accurate identification of the location of the project area.

Attach a map to show the boundaries of the area in which the action will be conducted. MAPS ATTACHED

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- 3 Provide an attachment describing the action addressing the following points.
 - A. The objectives and purposes of the action;
 - B. The equipment and methods used;

Attached

What are the likely short and long term impacts of the proposed action on the species or the ecological community?

A flora survey was conducted for the proposed action by qualified ecologists. The survey was conducted in accordance with the EPBC Act Significant Impact Guidelines.

The short and long term impacts of the action will be the permanent removal of 4 trees within the Cumberland Shale Plains Woodland ecological community, from a single area.

The removal of 4 trees within the fringe of the EPBC listed TEC is unlikely to have a significant impact on the TEC as a whole.

The trees identified for removal are either located on, or adjacent the existing flood mound, on the northern edge of the cleared fire trail. The trees are to be felled towards the vacant field (north), with no impact on the community on the southern edge of the fire trail.

No materials are proposed to be imported for the works, to reduce the risk of weed proliferation.

Describe the steps that will be taken to minimise impacts on the listed species/ecological community, including contingency plans in the case of events that may adversely affect members of the species/ecological community.

All impacts are temporary, with the site being allowed to revegetate over time. Additional tree replacement planting is a requirement of the project at a rate of 3:1.

In order to minimise impacts on the TEC the following management measures are planned.

These include:

Each of the 4 trees will be flagged prior to removal. Each tree will be visually verified by the project manager to confirm they are the correct species.

The trees are fragmented from the adjacent community by a fire trail, are easily identifiable and marked within the project boundary.

Due to the clear access to the trees and position between the existing training facility and the access track, trees will be felling by an excavator onto the existing field.

Equipment will access the area from the field to the north, not impacting the remaining TEC to the south of the works area.

Removal will be undertaken by two AQF arborists and felled by 14 tonne excavator with harvester head. Once felled, the trees will be mulched through a 21 inch chipper with stumps removed with 70hp tracked stump grinder.

tree removal to prevent movement of potential weeds.

- Attach a description of any research relevant to the affected species or communities that will be carried out in the course of or in conjunction with the proposed action, including:
 - A. a copy of the research proposal;
 - B. the names of the researchers and institutions involved in or supporting the research; and
 - C relationship of the researchers to the permit applicant, including any funding being provided by the permit applicant.
- 7 Will the action involve invasive techniques?

No O Go to next question	
Voe If permit relates to mammals	

Yes I If permit relates to mammals, birds, reptiles or amphibians, attach evidence that the proposed methods have been approved by an independent Animal Ethics Committee (this may include a State or Territory ethics committee, even if the action is conducted in a Commonwealth area).

A permit can only be issued under one of the following criteria: the action

- will contribute significantly to the conservation of a listed species/ecological community (go to Question 8); or
- will be incidental to, and not the purpose of the action (go to Question 12); or
- is of particular significance to indigenous tradition (go to Question 15): or
- is necessary to control pathogen(s) (go to Question 18).
- Are you applying on the basis that the <u>action will contribute</u> <u>significantly to the conservation of a listed species/ecological</u> community?

No	Go	to 12		
Yes	Go	to next	ques	tion

9 Why do you believe that the action will contribute significantly to the conservation of listed species/ecological communities, listed migratory species or listed marine species?

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			Why do you believe that the taking of the action will not adversely affect the:
10	Will the proposed action implement the recommendations of any recovery plan or wildlife conservation plan in force for the	i.	community?
	species or ecological community that may be affected by the action? Commonwealth recovery plans that are in force are available at www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/threatened/recovery-list-common.html Commonwealth wildlife conservation plans that are in force are available at www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/migratory/publications/sh orebird-plan.html State and territory recovery plans are available from state and territory environmental agencies. No Go to next question Yes Describe how this will be implemented.	15	The removal of individual trees on the fragmented fringe of the TEC is unlikely to have any indirect or offsite impacts to the TEC. It is highly unlikely the tree removal will adversely affect either the survival or recovery in nature of the TEC or the conservation status of the TEC. Are you applying on the basis that the action is of particular significance to indigenous tradition? No Go to 18 Yes Go to next question Explain why do you believe that the proposed action will be of particular significance to indigenous tradition?
11	Will the proposed action respond directly or indirectly to recommendations of any national or international organisation responsible for management of the affected species? No Go to next question Yes Describe how the proposed action will respond.	17 i. ii.	ecological community; or
12	Are you applying on the basis that the impact of the action will be incidental to, and not the purpose of, the action? No Go to 15 Yes Go to next question Why do you believe that the impact of the action will be incidental to and not the purpose of the action? The purpose of the action is to allow the relocation of a flood levy that surrounds a Defence training facility. The facility is being upgraded to increase capability. The tree removal is therefore incidental to, and not the purpose of the action.	18	Are you applying on the basis that the action is necessary to control a pathogen(s), and is conducted in a way that will, as far as is practicable, keep to a minimum any impact on listed species/ecological communities, listed migratory species or listed marine species? No Continue to Payment Section Yes Go to next question Why do you believe that the action is necessary for the control of pathogen(s)?

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20	Explain how the action will be conducted in a way to minimise impacts on the species/communities affected.

If you have answered NO to Questions 8, 12, 15 and 18, it is unlikely that a permit can be issued under the EPBC Act.

21 Fees

The following fees apply:

- permits relating to listed threatened species or ecological communities - \$100
- permits relating to listed migratory species nil
- permits relating to listed marine species nil

Please note that exemption from fee payment may apply under circumstances as set out in EPBC Regulation 18.04.

22 Method of Payment

To make a payment, the department's preferred methods of payment are by credit card, bank cheque or by electronic funds transfer (EFT). A tax invoice can be arranged prior to payment, but you should allow up to five business days to process the transaction.

Please contact <u>EPBC.permits@awe.gov.au</u> if you would like to request a tax invoice.

Credit Card

Please submit your permit application to the Department to obtain a permit reference number. This reference number will be required when you contact the Department to make the payment.

Contact the Collector of Public Money (Accounts) on (02) 6274 1151

EFT Payments

EFT Payments can be made to:

BSB: 092-009

Bank Account No. 115859

Amount: See applicable fee in section 21 above.

Account Name: Department of Agriculture, Water and the

Environment

Department address: GPO Box 858, Canberra ACT 2601

Bank: Reserve Bank of Australia

Bank Address: 20-22 London Circuit Canberra ACT 2601

Description: Part 13 permit application fee [Include name of project]

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Reference: [include Permit reference number (if known)]

23 Attachments

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	See question 3
	Description of relevant research
	See question 6
	Evidence of approval of invasive techniques See question 7
	Details for payment of fee See question 22

24 Declaration

I declare that the information contained in this supplementary form is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of applicant

Q/A		
Name of person signing		

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Date

6.05.2022

Send this application and fee to:

EPBC Referrals
Environment Approvals Division
Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment

GPO Box 858 CANBERRA ACT 2601

Email: EPBC.Permits@awe.gov.au

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