

# Native Vegetation Council

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## DECISION NOTIFICATION Native Vegetation Regulations 2017

**Application Number: 2022/3135/711**

**To:** SA Water  
Melissa Peake  
(Environmental Impact Assessment Officer)  
**E:** [REDACTED]

**Date Received;** 27/04/2022  
**Date Registered:** 27/04/2022

<b>Applicant</b>	SA Water - Melissa Peake (Environmental Impact Assessment Officer))			
<b>Landholder</b>	Crown/ utility easement			
<b>Purpose of application</b>	To facilitate Package <b>A-1B</b> of the first stage of the renewal of the SA Water Morgan Whyalla Pipeline Number 1 (MWPL1) between Morgan and Whyalla.			
<b>Description of native vegetation under application</b>	<p>The project will require the clearance of 33.55 hectares (ha) of native vegetation comprising the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2.91 ha of <i>Eucalyptus socialis</i> mallee over Chenopod shrubland</li><li>• 6.96 ha of <i>Eucalyptus gracilis</i> mallee over a sparse Chenopod shrubland</li><li>• 8.00 ha of <i>Eucalyptus socialis</i> and <i>Eucalyptus gracilis</i> open mallee over <i>Maireana sedifolia</i> shrubland in moderate condition</li><li>• 1.50 ha of <i>Eucalyptus socialis</i> and <i>Eucalyptus gracilis</i> open mallee over <i>Maireana sedifolia</i> shrubland in low condition</li><li>• 8.17 ha of <i>Eucalyptus oleosa</i> +/- <i>Eucalyptus gracilis</i> over <i>Maireana sedifolia</i> shrubland</li><li>• 2.38 ha of <i>Maireana sedifolia</i>, <i>Senna artemisioides subsp. coriacea</i> open shrubland</li><li>• 3.62 ha of low open <i>Maireana sedifolia</i> shrubland with emergent <i>Eucalyptus oleosa</i></li></ul> <p>17.38 ha will be subject to restoration works and allowed to regenerate naturally after construction.</p>			
<b>Location of the application</b>	Adjacent the current Morgan Whyalla Pipeline			
	<b>Title IDs</b>	CT/6017/265	<b>Parcel IDs</b>	H120400 S197
		CR/5759/527		H120400 S142
		CT/5908/976		H120400 S144
		CT/6122/961		H120400 S147
		CT/6147/505		H120400 S149
		CT/5728/484		H120400 S153
		CT/5994/127		H120300 S156
		CT/5945/774		H120300 S157
		CT/5967/435		H201000 S2
		CT/6172/977		H201000 S3
		CT/6213/696		H201000 S4
		CR/5759/528		H120300 S158
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				H201000 S248



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## Decision

The Native Vegetation Council has considered your application in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 12, Schedule 1; Clause 34 of the *Native Vegetation Regulations 2017*.

In respect of the application, you are informed that the Native Vegetation Council:

- Grants Consents to the clearance of 33.55ha of native vegetation in the area shown on the attached Decision Plan(s) 2022/3135/711 and as per the Ecological Australia Data Report titled 'Morgan Whyalla Number 1 Pipeline Renewal Stage 1 (Package A-1B)' dated April 2022 for the purpose specified in this decision.

## Reason for Decision:

The clearance of native vegetation meets the requirements of Native Vegetation Regulation 12, Schedule 1; Clause 34.

## Conditions of approval


This approval is subject to the conditions specified below. These conditions have been imposed to ensure that the impacts on native vegetation and biodiversity from approved clearance is adequately minimised and mitigated;

1. The applicant must ensure that only native vegetation approved for removal in accordance with this decision is removed. Prior to clearance commencing, the applicant must advise all persons undertaking the vegetation removal or working on site, of all relevant conditions of approval and associated statutory requirements.
2. No clearance to occur until Development Approval has been obtained under the Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016 (including Building Rules Consent) where required.
3. Prior to clearance commencing, the applicant must define the area or trees approved for clearance with markings, barriers, pegs, flags or temporary fencing. The markings, barriers, pegs, flags or temporary fencing must remain in place, in good condition and clearly visible, for the period in which clearance is occurring.
4. The Significant Environmental Benefit requirement (equivalent to 2019 SEB points) is to be achieved by making a payment into the Native Vegetation Fund of \$501,497.09 (\$501,497.09 for clearance GST exclusive and \$27,582.35 for the administration fee GST inclusive) prior to any clearance occurring (Note an invoice will be sent once the attached form 'Decision Notification acknowledgement' form is signed and returned).
5. Site rehabilitation will occur in accordance with the following:
  - a. Retain the vegetative material and topsoil removed in accordance with this approval and stockpile the vegetative material and topsoil in an area that has already been cleared or is void of native vegetation.
  - b. At an optimal time within 12 months following completion of the use of any area cleared in accordance with this approval, revegetate the areas that are not required to be kept cleared of vegetation for ongoing operations or maintenance activities, by:
    - i. ripping the ground on the contour to remove soil compaction; and
    - ii. laying the vegetative material and topsoil retained in accordance with this condition, on the cleared area(s).
    - iii. Continue ongoing weed management in rehabilitation areas.
  - c. Within 24 months of laying the vegetative material and topsoil on the cleared area in accordance with section (b) of this condition, the applicant shall:

- i. engage an environmental specialist to determine the species composition, structure and density of the area revegetated; and
  - ii. where, in the opinion of an environmental specialist, the composition structure and density determined under Section (c) of this condition will not result in a similar species composition, structure and density to that of pre-clearing vegetation types in that area, undertake management actions that may include revegetation of the area by deliberately planting and/or direct seeding native vegetation that will result in a similar species composition, structure and density of native vegetation to preclearing vegetation types in that area and ensuring only local provenance seeds and propagating material are used.
6. Where additional planting or direct seeding of native vegetation is undertaken in accordance with subsection (c) of this condition, the applicant shall repeat subsection of this condition within 24 months of undertaking the additional planting or direct seeding of native vegetation.
7. Where a determination by an environmental specialist that the composition, structure and density within areas revegetated will result in a similar species composition, structure and density to that of pre-clearing vegetation types in that area, as determined in subsection (c) of this condition, that determination shall be submitted for the Native Vegetation Council for consideration. If the Council does not agree with the determination made under subsection (c) of this condition, the Council may require the Applicant to undertake additional management, planting and direct seeding in accordance with the requirements under subsection (c) of this condition.
8. Members of the NVC or a person who is an authorised officer under the Act may at a reasonable time enter the property of the landowner for the purpose of assessing and recording any matter relevant to this consent. A person undertaking such an assessment may be assisted by other suitable persons. Any such inspection will only be taken after there has been an attempt to contact the landowner.
9. Non-compliance with any of the conditions of this approval must be reported to the Native Vegetation Council as soon as practical after the non-compliance being detected, but must be within a maximum of seven days. The report must include details of the nature of the breach, the location and extent of the breach and the actions taken and associated timing for completion of those actions, to address the breach.
10. No clearance is to occur until the attached form, "Decision Notification Acknowledgement", is signed and returned to confirm that the applicant and anyone else who is a party to the agreement, understand and will comply with the decision, including all the associated conditions.
11. The applicant must adequately inform any prospective purchaser, lessee or occupier of the land affected by conditions in this consent, of the relevant conditions.

#### Expiry date of approval

The approval to clear native vegetation in accordance with this decision ceases after 2 years from the decision date.

Signature	
Name	John Neal
Position	<b>CHAIR, NATIVE VEGETATION ASSESSMENT PANEL</b>
Date	14/06/2022 (Decision Date)

## Notes

### 1. Effect of Consent

This Decision Notification grants consent under the *Native Vegetation Act 1991* only and does not imply approval under any other legislation. It is the responsibility of the landowner to obtain all relevant approvals for any proposed development. This includes any approval that might be required in relation to the *Commonwealth Environment Protection & Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

### 2. Conditions

Please note that these conditions are an integral part of the consent and are legally binding under the *Native Vegetation Act 1991* and *Native Vegetation Regulations 2017*. Should **any** clearance occur in accordance with this decision, the conditions are enforceable in full.

Any conditions of consent are binding on and enforceable against the person granted the approval, any current and future owners of the land, any occupier of the land and any person who acquires the benefit of the clearance.

### 3. Amended decisions

Where a decision is amended, all previous versions of the decision are null and void.

If an application to amend a decision will substantially alter the nature of the original application or conditions of approval, the Native Vegetation Council may require a new application be submitted.

### 4. SEB Areas

All areas established as a condition of consent to provide a significant environmental benefit, whether through revegetation, management or protection of an area of native vegetation, are protected in perpetuity under the *Native Vegetation Act 1991*. No clearance of native vegetation within these areas can occur without the consent of the Native Vegetation Council.

### 5. Monitoring

The Native Vegetation Council undertakes a program of monitoring of conditions attached to any clearance consent. As part of this program, the landowner may be contacted by an officer of Department to arrange inspections. Should it be evident that the conditions have not be applied with in full, the landholder will be informed in writing of the nature of breach of the conditions and given an opportunity to comply with the conditions. However, if the breach of the conditions is substantial, ongoing or irreversibly, then the Council may take compliance actions under Section 31 of the *Native Vegetation Act 1991*.

### 6. Use of cleared vegetation

Native vegetation authorised for clearance under a Decision Notification may be a useful resource, as a source of seed for local revegetation projects, for woodcraft purposes or providing hollows for relocation. Please consider notifying any local seed collection groups to offer them the opportunity of collecting seed at the time of clearance, and making any timber from the cleared trees available for woodcraft or hollow relocation.

**DECISION NOTIFICATION ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

**Application Number:** 2022/3135/711 SA Water - Package A-1B Morgan Whyalla Pipeline

***The applicant, and all parties to the decision, have received a copy of the Decision Notification (decision date 14/06/2022) are fully aware and will comply with the decision and all the attached conditions.***

Name of applicant: .....

Signature of applicant or seal of Company and authorised signatory, including the signature of any other parties to the decision:

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Date : .....

**Note:** Sign and return this form by post or email to:

**Send to:** Native Vegetation Branch  
C/o  
Department for Environment and Water  
GPO Box 1047 Adelaide SA 5001

**Email:** Andrew.groom@sa.gov.au



# Native Vegetation Clearance Application



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## DECISION PLAN (1 of 1)

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NATIVE VEGETATION COUNCIL

APPLICATION NO. 2022/3135/711

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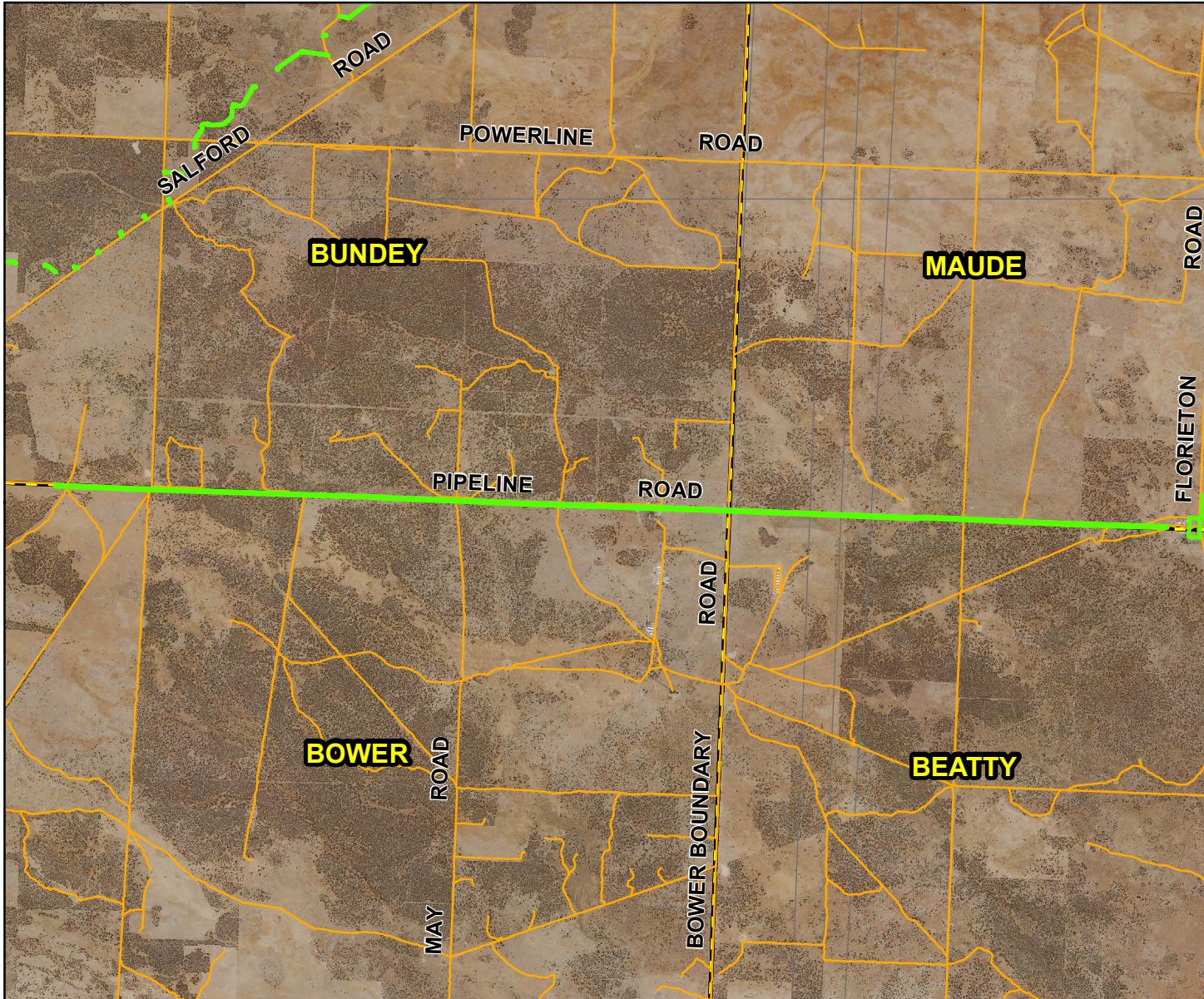
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Chair, Native Vegetation Assessment Panel

Decision Date: 14/06/2022



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