# **Native Vegetation Council**

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19/07/2023

27/09/2023

# **DECISION NOTIFICATION**

Native Vegetation Regulations 2017

**Application Number: 2023/3198/010** 

Date Received;

Date Registered:

To: Attention:

**Environmental Advisor** 

Department for Infrastructure and Transport

Level 7, 83 Pirie Street ADELAIDE SA 5000

Email:

Mob:

Applicant	Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT)	
Landholder	The Crown Crown Lessees (Pastoral Lease Holders): 1. S. Kidman & Co. Pty Ltd 2. Doce Pty Ltd 3. Claymon Pty Ltd	
Purpose of application	Clearance is required for the upgrade and sealing of the Strzelecki Track between Maintenance Markers (MM) 48 and MM105, along Della Road (the Project Area) which forms part of the Strzelecki Track. The aim is to improve transport reliability, travel times, lower operating costs and improve road safety.	
Description of native vegetation under application	Total proposed clearance area is 43.778 ha and occurs over seven (7) vegetation associations:  • 7.856 ha of very open woodland on low white sand dunes in good condition  • 8.713 ha of very open woodland on clay flats in good condition  • 2.627 ha of shrubland on clay flats in good condition  • 11.846 ha of open shrubland and annual grasses on red sand dunes in good condition  • 4.366 ha of low shrubland with annual grasses on red interdunal flats in moderate condition  • 7.125 ha of low open shrubland on sandy flats in moderate condition, and  • 1.245 ha of low open shrubland on clay flats in poor condition	



#### Location of the application

Local Government Area: Pastoral Unincorporated Area

Parcel ID/Title ID/Hundred:

- S. Kidman & Co. Pty Ltd D84009 A53 CL6205/440
   OUT of HUNDREDS (Cordillo, Innamincka & Strzelecki)
- Doce Pty Ltd
   D35579 A2025 CL6175/809
   OUT of HUNDREDS (Gason, Innamincka, Kopperamanna & Strzelecki)
- Claymon Pty Ltd
   D35687 A2026 CL6174/509
   OUT of HUNDREDS (Callabonna & Strzelecki)

The project site is located on the Strzelecki Track between MM48 and MM105, on the Della Road section, from Moomba to the Della Rd / Dillon's Highway Junction, in the far north-east of SA.

#### Decision

The Native Vegetation Council has considered your application in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 12, Schedule 1; Clause 32 of the *Native Vegetation Regulations 2017*.

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

Grants consent to the clearance of 43.778 ha native vegetation, in the area shown on the attached Decision Plan 2023/3198/010, required for the upgrade and sealing of the Strzelecki Track between MM48 and MM105, to improve transport reliability, travel times, lower operating costs and improve road safety.

#### Reason for Decision:

The clearance of native vegetation meets the requirements of Native Vegetation Regulation 12, Schedule 1; Clause 32.

## Conditions of approval

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

- Clearance to be confined to the 43.778 ha native vegetation as shown on the attached Decision Plan 2023/3198/010, and in the submitted report: Native Vegetation Clearance Data Report, RN12000 Strzelecki Track MM 48 – MM 105, prepared by Louise Jaunay, dated June 2023;
- 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;

- 3. Prior to clearance commencing, the applicant must define the areas 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. Infrastructure construction is undertaken in a way that machinery, vehicle movement and material laydown areas are restricted to the approved clearance area, existing tracks or areas devoid of native vegetation;
- 5. Any excavation or fill material surplus to the requirements of the development must be disposed of such that it will not:
  - adversely impact on native vegetation;
  - contribute to erosion or sedimentation;
  - facilitate the spread of pest plant and pathogenic material;
- 6. When undertaking any clearing or other activity authorised under this approval, the applicant or anyone acting on their behalf must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds and dieback (Phytophthera):
  - i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
  - ii) ensure that no known Phytophthera or weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared:
  - iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared;
  - iv) where Phytophthera is known or likely to occur within the area of clearance, to minimise any spread, avoid machinery movement when or in areas where soils are wet or muddy;
- 7. The Significant Environmental Benefit requirement (equivalent to 3142.50 SEB points) is to be achieved by making a payment of \$93,957.73 (\$89,059.45 GST exclusive for clearance and \$4,898.28 for administration GST inclusive) to the Native Vegetation Fund, and is to be made within one month of invoice date. (Note the invoice will be sent once the attached form 'Decision Notification acknowledgement' is signed and returned);
- 8. 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;
- 9. 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;

#### **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	Gayle Grieger
Position	DELEGATE TO NATIVE VEGETATION COUNCIL
Date	11/10/2023 (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: 2023/3198/010	Attention: Department for Infrastructure & Transport Strzelecki Track upgrade between MM48 and MM105, far north-east SA		
The applicant, and all parties to the decision, have received a copy of the Decision Notification (decision date 11/10/2023) 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:			
Date:			

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

Send to: Native Vegetation Branch

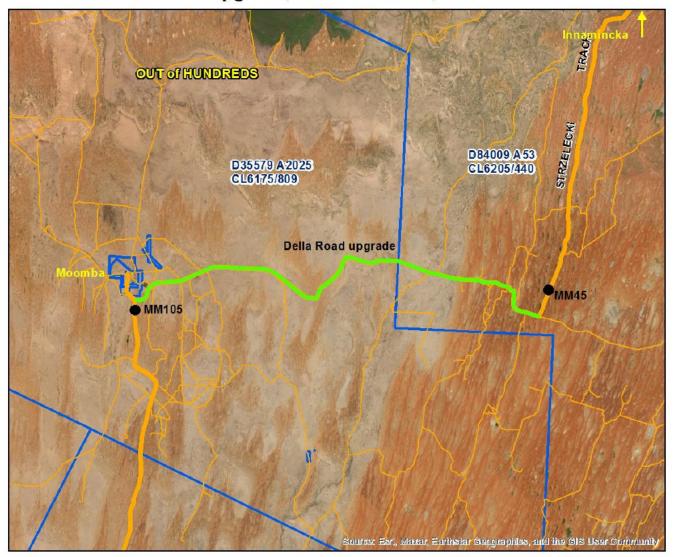
C/o

**Department for Environment and Water** 

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# Native Vegetation Clearance Application DIT - Strzelecki Track upgrade, MM48 - MM105, Della Rd





# **DECISION PLAN**

TO FORM PART OF THE DECISION OF THE NATIVE VEGETATION COUNCIL

APPLICATION NO. 2023/3198/010

OUT of HUNDREDS (Cordillo, Innamincka, Gason, Callabonna, Kopperamanna, Strzelecki)

Parcels & Title Reference: D84009 A 53 CL6205/440; D35579 A 2025 CL6175/809:

Conditional Consent
(43.778 ha)

Property/Section Boundary
Road

Produced for: Native Vegetation Council

By: Native Vegetation Branch

Department for Environment and Water

Imagery: World Imagery

Date: 09/10/2023 Version: 01 Datum: GDA2020

NVO: SG





Delegate to the Native Vegetation Council

Decision Date: 11/10/2023

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