

Landholder Notification Form – Compromised Native Groundcover

Land Management (Native Vegetation) Code 2018 - Part 5 Division 2



This is the form you use to notify Local Land Services (LLS) that you intend to clear vegetation under the Land Management (Native Vegetation) Code 2018: Part 5 Equity Division 2 “Clearing Compromised Native Groundcover”.

The notification form must be **fully completed** to be valid. Contact LLS if you would like assistance to complete this form. There are some words or terms highlighted in **bold** that are explained on the LLS website, and you can seek further assistance from LLS staff. **The completed form must be submitted by email to SLM.Notifications@lls.nsw.gov.au**

DETAILS OF PERSON NOTIFYING									
Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss	First Name:								
Mailing Address:									
Best Phone Contact No				Email					
Your Role (please tick)	Landholder		Manager		Consultant		Other	(specify)	
Who will undertake the clearing? (Name of person/s)									
DETAILS of LANDHOLDING (where intended clearing will occur)									
Landholding Name									
Total area of landholding (in hectares)									
Landholding Address									
	Suburb				State	NSW	Postcode		
Local Government Area									
LLS Region									
Land owner(s) as listed on title									
Other land owner/s (ie the Crown if Crown Land or Western Lands Lease)									
Are all parcels worked as a single property?	Yes	No (please discuss with your local LLS Officer prior to submission)							
Are all parcels contiguous ?	Yes	No (please discuss with your local LLS Officer prior to submission)							
What is the area you intend to clear? (in Hectares)									ha
Date/s of intended clearing (the first date of intended clearing must be at least 2 weeks from the date of notification)									/ / / /
Have you attached a map? (you can ask your local LLS Officer to help you with this)	Y	N							
Groundcover calculation records I must hold for at least 5 years after the clearing of native vegetation includes:	Y	N							
<input type="checkbox"/> A map showing the area that was the subject of the calculation <input type="checkbox"/> A record of the season in which the calculation was made <input type="checkbox"/> A statement as to how the calculation was made, <input type="checkbox"/> Data sheets that record field assessment as per the Assessing Groundcover Fact Sheet <input type="checkbox"/> Photographs that clearly show the type of groundcover in the mapped area, taken at the time the calculation was made									
Please list all Lots/DP's of the landholding and indicate which lots the intended clearing will be on (attach additional sheet to this form if required).	Y	N							

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All statements must be true and initialed as correct for the Notification to be valid

CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE MET UNDER THE CODE	Initial if the statement is correct
The land I am intending to clear is not Category 2- vulnerable regulated land or within the buffer distance from a water body .	
The land I am intending to clear is not classed as Category 2 – sensitive regulated land .	
The land I am intending to clear does not contain native vegetation that was grown or preserved with public funds (other than funds for forestry purposes) where the obligations attached to the receipt of that funding are ongoing.	
The land I am intending to clear is not subject to a private native forestry plan.	
The land I am intending to clear is not already a treatment area under Part 3 Pasture Expansion of the Land Management (Native Vegetation) Code 2018. (that is, there is not already a notification or certificate in place over the land)	
The land I am intending to clear is not for forestry operations within the meaning of Section 3 of the <i>Forestry Act 2012</i> . (This does not prevent the sale of timber from native vegetation lawfully cleared in accordance with the Code).	
The area I am intending to clear does not contain any areas where native species comprise more than 50% of the vegetation cover.	
The land I am intending to clear does not contain native vegetation that forms part of a critically endangered ecological community .	
I understand that I (or my agent) can't clear if a critically endangered species (plant or animal) is present.	
I understand that I (or my agent) can't clear the land if it is likely to harm an animal that is a threatened species , and I (or my agent) knew that the clearing was likely to harm the animal.	
The vegetation I am intending to clear is only groundcover and: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • less than 50% of the vegetation cover in the treatment area is comprised of native species of vegetation, and • not less than 10% of the treatment area is covered with vegetation (whether dead or alive) 	
I or my agent calculated the above percentages of compromised ground cover according to the following rules: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) a scientific and objective manner was used that was appropriate to the area proposed to be cleared and the species of vegetation that were present; (b) They were calculated at the time of year when the proportion of the native groundcover was likely to be at its maximum; and (c) the percentage was not calculated where groundcover was significantly disturbed in the preceding six months, for example by fire, drought or heavy grazing 	
I have obtained written consent from all the owners of the landholding on which I am planning to clear.	
To the best of my knowledge, there are no remediation orders or current compliance investigations on this landholding.	
The intended clearing will be carried out in accordance with the <i>Local Land Services Act 2013</i> , the Local Land Services Regulation 2014 and the Land Management (Native Vegetation) Code 2018.	

Declaration and Signature

I declare the information provided in this notification is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I understand that if the information is not correct or complete it is not a valid notification and clearing cannot be carried out.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name: _____

Privacy Information

The personal information you provide on this form is subject to the Privacy & Personal Information Protection Act 1998.

It is being collected by NSW Local Land Services and will be used for purposes related to processing your notification to manage native vegetation in accordance with the Land Management Code 2018.

Local Land Services will not disclose your personal information to anybody else unless authorised by law.

The provision of this information is necessary to process a valid notification under the Land Management Code 2018.

If you choose not to provide the requested information we may not be able to process your notification as it will be deemed invalid.

You have the right to request access to, and correct details of, your personal information held by the department. Further information regarding privacy can be obtained from the NSW Trade & Investment website at www.trade.nsw.gov.au/legal/privacy

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Definitions

Note. See the Land Management (Native Vegetation) Code 2019 for more definitions.

Landholding – includes several parcels of land (whether held under the same title, different titles or different kinds of titles) that constitute or are worked as a single property and that: (a) are contiguous with one another or are separated only by a road, river, creek or other watercourse, or (b) are certified in writing by Local Land Services to be in the same sub-bioregion and within sufficient proximity to one another so as to constitute a single landholding.

Landholder – means a person who is the owner of the land or who, whether by reason of ownership or otherwise, is in lawful occupation or possession, or has lawful management or control of the land.

Paddock tree area – means an area of Category 2- regulated land that is less than 500 square metres and is completely surrounded by Category 1- exempt land.