

# Application for the Removal of Vegetation on Private Property

State Environmental Planning Policy (Biodiversity and Conservation) 2021 Chapter 2  
Vegetation in non-rural areas

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| <b>OFFICE USE ONLY</b>   |            |                        |           |
| Assessment No:   |            | Application No:        |           |
| Approved <input type="checkbox"/>  |            | Date Received:         |           |
| Refused <input type="checkbox"/>   |            | Date of Determination: |           |
| <b>LOCATION OF TREE(S)</b>   |            |                        |           |
| Property/Building Name:  |            |                        |           |
| Unit No/RAN:   | Street No: | Street:                |           |
| Town:  |            |                        | Postcode: |
| Lot(s):  | Section:   | DP/SP:                 |           |
| <b>APPLICANT'S DETAILS (Person requesting the removal of tree(s))</b>  |            |                        |           |
| Applicant Name:  |            |                        |           |
| Postal Address:  |            |                        | Postcode: |
| Phone:   |            | Mobile:                |           |
| Email:   |            |                        |           |
| Reference:   |            | Signature:             |           |
| <b>PROPERTY OWNER'S DETAILS</b>  |            |                        |           |
| Name:  |            |                        |           |
| Address:   |            |                        | Postcode: |
| Phone:   |            | Email:                 |           |
| If a site visit is required, would you like to be in attendance during the visit? No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> |            |                        |           |
| Are there any dogs or security measures we need to know about? No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>                    |            |                        |           |
| If yes, please specify:  |            |                        |           |
| <b>DETAILS OF PROPOSED WORKS</b>   |            |                        |           |
| No. of Trees: (to be removed)  |            |                        |           |
| Type(s) of Tree(s): (common name and botanical name)   |            |                        |           |
| Reason for Request:  |            |                        |           |
| Has the tree been inspected by a qualified Arborist? No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>                              |            |                        |           |
| A copy of the Arborist's report needs to be attached. Is the report attached? No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>     |            |                        |           |
| Is there any evidence of scarring/carving on the tree(s) No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/>                          |            |                        |           |

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### SITE PLAN

- Show the position of all buildings, boundaries and other relevant structures within the box provided (if insufficient space, please attach a site plan)
- Indicate the approximate location of the tree/s listed
- Indicate the front and rear of property
- If necessary, identify tree/s by tying a piece of string to the trunk
- Indicate street frontage
- Indicate the approximate direction of north

**Please refer to the attached Fact Sheet for helpful information to assist you in completing this document. If you have any further questions or require additional information regarding this document, please do not hesitate to contact Council's Planning Team on 1300 087 004.**

### Fact Sheet

## Application for the Removal of Vegetation on private property

Please read and comply with the following notes before you complete an application.

1. This application applies to the following zones within Council\*:  
Zone RU5 Village, Zone R1 General Residential, Zone R2 Low Density Residential, Zone R5 Large Lot Residential, Zone E1 Local Centre, Zone E2 Commercial Centre, Zone E4 General Industrial, Zone SP1 Special Activities, Zone SP2 Infrastructure, Zone SP3 Tourist, Zone RE1 Public Recreation, Zone RE2 Private Recreation, Zone C2 Environmental Conservation, Zone C3 Environmental Management.
2. The *Local Land Services Act 2013* regulates the clearing of native vegetation in the following zones within Council: Zone RU1 Primary Production, Zone RU3 Forestry, Zone W1 Natural Waterways, Zone W2 Recreational Waterways. If you wish to remove vegetation in these areas (and in which the clearing is not associated with works which require development consent), please contact NSW Murray Local Land Services on 03 5881 9900.
3. Approval is **not** required for the following:
  - Clearance of vegetation by electricity suppliers undertaken in accordance with the Electricity Supply Act 1995 and Electricity Supply (Safety and Network Management) Regulation 2014. For trees impacting on electrical service wires within your property, contact Essential Energy on 13 20 80.
  - The removal of any fruit tree or noxious plant declared a noxious plant with the Murray River Council area under the *Biosecurity Act 2015* is exempt from an application.
4. Properties identified as containing items of environmental heritage significance or located within heritage and conservation areas may require Development Consent to be issued prior to the removal of any vegetation. Please contact Murray River Council on 1300 087 004 for further information.
5. If you have concerns regarding trees on public land please contact Murray River Council on 1300 087 004. If you have concerns regarding trees on neighbouring properties, please contact the Community Justice Centre ([www.cjc.nsw.gov.au](http://www.cjc.nsw.gov.au)) on 1800 990 777 or via email [cjc-info@agd.nsw.gov.au](mailto:cjc-info@agd.nsw.gov.au). If all mediation attempts between neighbours fail, please contact the Land and Environment Court (<https://www.lec.nsw.gov.au/>) on 02 9113 8200.
6. As part of the approval conditions, compensatory planting may be required. The number and type of replacement plants will generally be determined onsite with the landowner.
7. If you move, damage or lop a tree without Council's permission, you may be liable to significant fines. Penalties issued by the Land and Environment Court can attract maximum fines in excess of \$100,000.00.
8. Trees on public land, including nature strips and parks, are Council assets and can only be pruned, removed or otherwise interfered with by Murray River Council.

\*Zoning maps can be found at [www.murrayriver.nsw.gov.au](http://www.murrayriver.nsw.gov.au) or call 1300 087 004 to find out which zone applies.