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## Environmental Protection Authority

s.48A Referrals

**Title:** Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup Local Planning Scheme 7 Amendment 14

**Location:** Lot 384 Marshall Road, Argyle

**Description:** The Local planning Scheme (LPS) amendment proposes to rezone Lot 384 Marshall Road, Argyle from 'General Agriculture' to 'Rural Residential', and to remove the 'Development Investigation Area 1' designation and replace it with 'Rural Residential 2 (RR2)' and include associated special provisions in 'Schedule 2' of the scheme text.

**Ref ID:** APP-0027242 / REC-0001218

**Date Received:** 23/01/2025      **Date Sufficient Information Received:** 23/01/2025

**Responsible Authority:** Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup

**Contact:** Cecilia Muller

**Preliminary Environmental Factors:** Flora and vegetation, Terrestrial fauna

**Potential Significant Effects:** Implementation of the amendment may result in the clearing of remnant vegetation, including potential breeding and foraging habitat for black cockatoos.

**Protection:** Potential impacts can be managed and mitigated through proposed and existing scheme provisions. The Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) expects that the amendment shall facilitate the implementation of the concept subdivision plan which is consistent with scheme referral information which indicates that all vegetation is to be retained except for a habitat tree along a proposed cadastral boundary and two habitat trees as part of the Asset Protection Zones in accordance with bushfire management requirements.

In addition, future planning processes can further manage potential impacts. The EPA notes and supports LPS clause 4.7- tree planting and vegetation corridors and Clause 4.10- preservation of trees and landscape enhancement for 'Rural Residential' (RR) zones which can inform vegetation protection and enhancement through the subsequent planning approvals for the amendment area.

**Determination:** **Referral Examined, Preliminary Investigations and Inquiries Conducted. Scheme Amendment Not to be Assessed under Part IV of the EP Act. No Advice Given (Not Appealable).**

The EPA has carried out some investigations and inquiries before deciding not to assess this scheme. In deciding not to formally assess schemes, the EPA has determined that no further assessment is required by the EPA.

This Determination is not appealable.

Chair's Initials:

Date:

11 February 2025