



## Minister for Environment; Youth

Our ref: Report 1236

**CHAIRMAN  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AUTHORITY**

**CLEARING OF 65 TO 112 HECTARES OF NATIVE VEGETATION, KENT LOCATION 1858, SHIRE OF GNOWANGERUP – NOTICE THAT A PROPOSAL MAY NOT BE IMPLEMENTED UNDER SECTION 45(8) ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1986**

The Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) released its report and recommendations in relation to the above proposal in October 2006.

The EPA recommended that the proposal not be approved, on the basis that the proposed clearing is likely to lead to land degradation and to impact on biodiversity values.

I recently dismissed an appeal by the proponent against the content of, and recommendations in, the EPA's report. This follows a decision by a former Minister to dismiss an appeal by the proponent against the level of assessment set for the proposal. A copy of these decisions is attached for your information.

Noting the advice of the EPA, I formed the view that the proposal should not be implemented, and requested agreement to this effect from relevant decision making authorities under section 45(1) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*.

Pursuant to section 45(8) of the Act, I hereby give notice that I have reached agreement with relevant decision making authorities that the proposal may not be implemented.

This letter is for information only, and no response is required.

Hon Donna Faragher JP MLC  
**MINISTER FOR ENVIRONMENT; YOUTH**

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