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Dear Sir/Madam

This letter is the formal notice of classification of a known or suspected contaminated site in which you have an interest. This constitutes the notice the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (the department) is legally obliged to give under the *Contaminated Sites Act 2003* (the Act), which came into effect on 1 December 2006.

The Act was set up to record and manage contaminated sites in Western Australia, in order to protect people's health and the environment. Please note that contamination does not necessarily mean that an area is unsafe to live or work in – for example, it may be limited to groundwater, and only becomes an issue to be managed if a groundwater bore was being considered.

This notice explains why the site has been classified, what restrictions, if any, have been placed on the use of the site and how you can appeal the classification. In some cases, this notice may include other lots which also form part of the classified site, in addition to the lot in which you have an interest.

If, after reading this letter, you have any further queries, please contact the department on 1300 762 982 (Contaminated Sites Information Line).

#### **NOTICE OF A CLASSIFICATION OF A KNOWN OR SUSPECTED CONTAMINATED SITE GIVEN UNDER SECTION 15 OF THE *CONTAMINATED SITES ACT 2003***

The site detailed below (**the site**), consisting of 1 parcel(s) of land, was reported to the CEO of the department as a known or suspected contaminated site and has been classified under the Act:

- LOT 44 ON DEPOSITED PLAN 223123 as shown on certificate of title LR3016/633 known as 60 Corvus St, Southern Cross WA 6426

This notification is being sent to you in accordance with section 15(1) of the Act on the grounds that you, as the recipient, are one or more of the following:

- (a) owner of the site (contact details sourced from the current certificate of title);
- (b) occupier of the site;
- (c) relevant public authority;
- (d) person who, in the CEO's opinion, there is particular reason to notify;
- (e) person who made the report under section 11 or 12; and
- (f) person who, in the CEO's opinion, may be responsible for remediation of a site classified as *contaminated – remediation required*.

## **Site Classification**

**Category of site classification:** Possibly contaminated - investigation required

**Date of site classification:** 09/03/2026

**Reasons for classification:** This site was reported to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (the department) as per reporting obligations under section 11 of the 'Contaminated Sites Act 2003' (the Act), which commenced on 1 December 2006.

The site has been classified under section 13 of the Act based on information submitted to the department by February 2026.

The site comprises a portion of unallocated crown land, within Landgate Parcel Identification Number 626428, located at lot 60 Corvus Street, Southern Cross.

The site was reported because it has been subjected to unauthorised disposal of waste materials. Waste disposal is a land use that has the potential to cause contamination, as specified in the guideline 'Assessment and management of contaminated sites' (Department of Water and Environmental Regulation, 2021).

A site walk over was conducted by Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage officers on 3 December 2025. The site was observed to have dumped waste material in a surface depression expanding approximately 20 metres squared. The surface depression is reportedly approximately 1 metre deep and potentially the result from historical mining activities. The waste material included scrap metal, metal drums, wooden planks, construction and demolition waste, general household waste and suspected asbestos-containing material (ACM). The suspected ACM was observed to be isolated fragments in good, bonded condition in the surface depression.

Historical aerial photographs indicate that dumping of materials may have been occurring at the site since approximately 2004.

Soil and groundwater quality at the site has not been investigated and the nature and extent of any contamination is unknown.

A risk assessment has not been carried out to determine the potential risk posed by the substances of concern at the site to human health, the environment or environmental values.

As the site has not been investigated, a comment cannot be made on the suitability of the site as a whole for any land use.

There are grounds to indicate possible contamination of the site, and a contamination assessment to determine the risk to human health, the environment and environmental values has not been carried out. Therefore, the site is classified as 'possibly contaminated - investigation required'.

A memorial stating the site's classification has been placed on the certificate of title and will notify any interested parties of the contamination status of the site.

When the results of investigations are submitted to the department, these will be reviewed, and the site may be reclassified.

The department, in consultation with the Department of Health, has classified this site based on the information available to the department at the time of classification. It is acknowledged that the contamination status of the site may have changed since the information was collated and/or submitted to the department, and as such, the usefulness of this information may be limited.

In accordance with Department of Health advice, if groundwater is being, or is proposed to be abstracted, the department recommends that analytical testing should be carried out to determine whether the groundwater is suitable for its intended use.

## **Other Relevant Information:**

Additional information included herein is relevant to the contamination status of the site and includes the department's expectations for action that should be taken to address potential or actual contamination described in the Reasons for Classification.

## **Action Required:**

Investigations are required to confirm the historical use of the site and potential sources of contamination, including whether asbestos is present in the waste material. Subsequent investigations such as soil or groundwater investigations and/or site clean-up may be required.

The department expects actions to be taken in accordance with the timeframes specified in section 8.3.3 of "Identification, reporting and classification of contaminated sites in Western Australia" (Department of Environment Regulation, February 2025).

Investigations are to be carried out in accordance with the department's contaminated sites guidelines and the 'National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure 1999' (the NEPM).

Asbestos investigations are to be carried out in accordance with the 'Guidelines for the Assessment, Remediation and Management of Asbestos Contaminated Sites in Western Australia' (Department of Health, 2021).

The site should be appropriately secured to prevent unauthorised access and further dumping of material.

## General Information

The nature and extent of contamination and any restrictions on the use of the land, if applicable, are listed in Attachment A.

Information relating to the classification of the site is also available by submitting a request for a summary of records (using Form 2) to: Department of Water and Environmental Regulation, Locked Bag 10, Joondalup DC, WA 6919. A fee of \$44 currently applies for a Basic Summary of Records. Forms are available from <https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/departments-of-water-and-environmental-regulation/contaminated-sites>.

In some instances the department has had to classify sites based on historical information. A site may be re-classified at any stage when additional information becomes available, for example where a new investigation or remediation report completed in accordance with the department's '[Contaminated Sites Guidelines](#)' and the *National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure 1999*, is submitted to the department. The current site classification is the classification most recently conferred on the site.

## Memorials

In accordance with section 58(1) of the Act, the department will lodge a memorial with the Registrar of Landgate, recording the classification against the site's Certificate(s) of Title. Parcel(s) without a registration number or certificate of title will not have a memorial lodged against them until a certificate of title has been created. Once complete, confirmation of the lodgement of the memorial(s) will be forwarded to the following people:

- (a) each owner,
- (b) Western Australian Planning Commission;
- (c) CEO of the Department of Health;
- (d) Local Government Authority;
- (e) relevant scheme authority.

Given that memorial(s) will be lodged against the site, the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) may not approve the subdivision of the land under Section 135 of the *Planning and Development Act 2005*, or the amalgamation of that land with any other land without seeking, and taking into account, the advice of the department as to the suitability of the land for subdivision or amalgamation. Furthermore, a responsible authority (e.g. Local Government Authorities) may not grant approval under a scheme for any proposed development of the land without seeking, and taking into account, advice from the department as to the suitability of the proposed development.

### Appealing the Site Classification

All site classifications given by the department are appealable. However, only certain people can lodge a valid appeal. The people who can lodge a valid appeal varies, depending on the classification category, as detailed in Fact Sheet 4: *Site classifications and appeals*. Appeals need to be lodged in writing with the Contaminated Sites Committee at Level 18, Millgreen Complex, 197 St Georges Terrace, Perth WA 6000, within **45 days** of being given this notification. The appeal should set out the appellant's relationship to the site, and must include the grounds and facts upon which it is based. An appeal fee (currently \$66) applies.

To find out more about the appeal process, see the Contaminated Sites Committee website at <https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/contaminated-sites-committee> or contact the office of the Committee on (08) 6364 7264.

For further information on all aspects of site classification, please refer to Fact Sheet 4 and the 'Contaminated Sites Guidelines', which are available from the department's website at <https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-water-and-environmental-regulation/contaminated-sites> or by contacting the Contaminated Sites Information Line on 1300 762 982.

Yours sincerely



**Chek Cher, Manager**

CONTAMINATED SITES REGULATION  
Delegated Officer under section 91  
of the *Contaminated Sites Act 2003*

11/03/2026

Enc. Attachment A – Nature and Extent and Restrictions on Use.

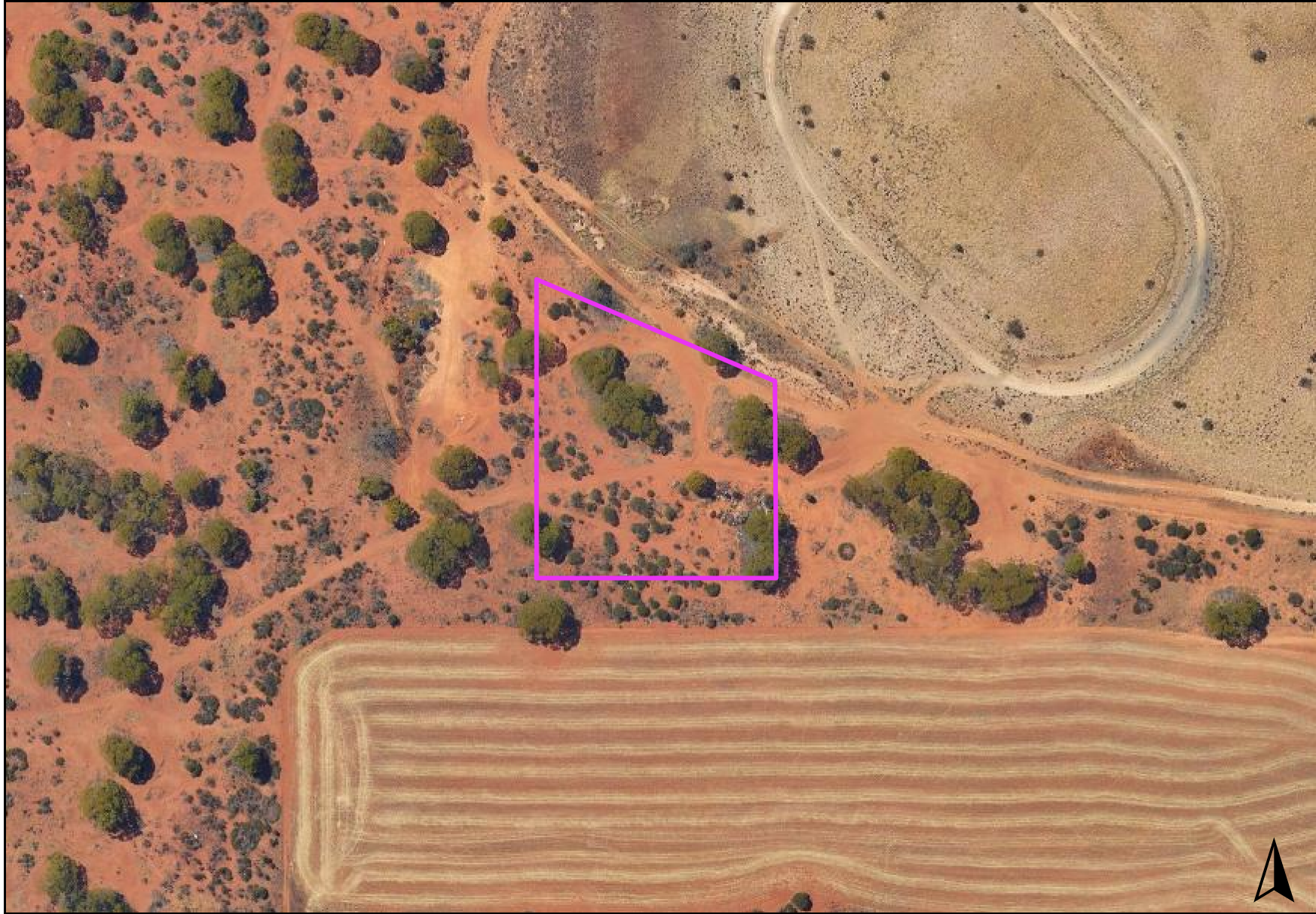
[Fact Sheet 4: Site classifications and appeals](#)  
[Fact Sheet 5: Buying and selling contaminated land](#)

## **ATTACHMENT A – Nature and Extent and Restrictions on Use**

- LOT 44 ON DEPOSITED PLAN 223123

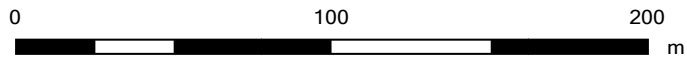
**Nature and Extent:** Unauthorised disposal of wastes has occurred on south-east portion of the site. However, soil and groundwater quality at the site has not been investigated.

**Restriction on Use:** Please refer to Reasons for Classification for further information on the potential contamination present at the site.



## Legend

## Notes



Map Center Coordinates: -31.236667241687798° N, 119.34246308031628° W

### Disclaimer:

While the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has made all reasonable efforts to ensure the accuracy of the data in this map, the department accepts no responsibility for any inaccuracies, and persons relying on the map do so at their own risk.

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