Appendix E – Preliminary assessment of Banksia Woodlands of the Swan Coastal Plain Threatened Ecological Community and Black Cockatoo quality foraging habitat on Part Lot 509 Kemerton, Proposed Albemarle Kemerton Plant



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Dear Fionnuala,

RE: Preliminary assessment of *Banksia* Woodlands of the Swan Coastal Plain Threatened ecological community and Black Cockatoo quality foraging habitat on Lot 509 Kemerton.

On 12 and 15 March 2018, a site assessment was carried out over remnant native vegetation on Lot 509 in Kemerton. The purpose of the assessment was to determine whether the site contains vegetation that meets the criteria for the Commonwealth-listed *'Banksia'* Woodlands of the Swan Coastal Plain' Threatened ecological community (TEC), and / or meets the criteria for quality Black Cockatoo foraging habitat², and may therefore have value as an environmental offset.

The site covers approximately 320 ha. All vegetation onsite (about 220 ha) was assessed on foot using ground traverses. Of the 220 ha assessed, approximately 84.26 ha meets the criteria for *Banksia* Woodlands of the Swan Coastal Plain TEC and Black Cockatoo quality foraging habitat and a further 33 ha constitutes quality foraging habitat but not the *Banksia* Woodlands of the Swan Coastal Plain TEC (**Figure 1**). Together these total 117.26 ha of quality foraging habitat.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any queries about the preliminary assessment.

Yours sincerely,

Melanie Portman

Director

¹ As defined in the Approved Conservation Advice (incorporating listing advice) for the Banksia Woodlands of the Swan Coastal Plain ecological community.

² As defined in DSEWPaC (2012). EPBC Act referral guidelines for three threatened black cockatoo species. Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities, Canberra.

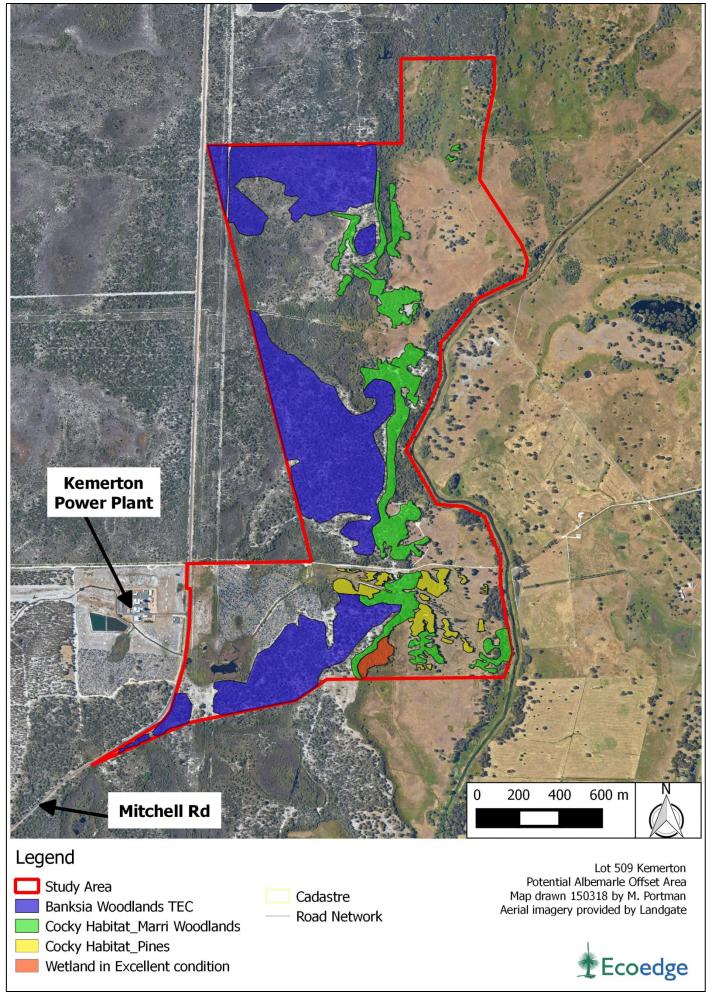


Figure 1. Vegetation of Lot 509 Kemerton