Beekeeping on Crown Land in Western Australia

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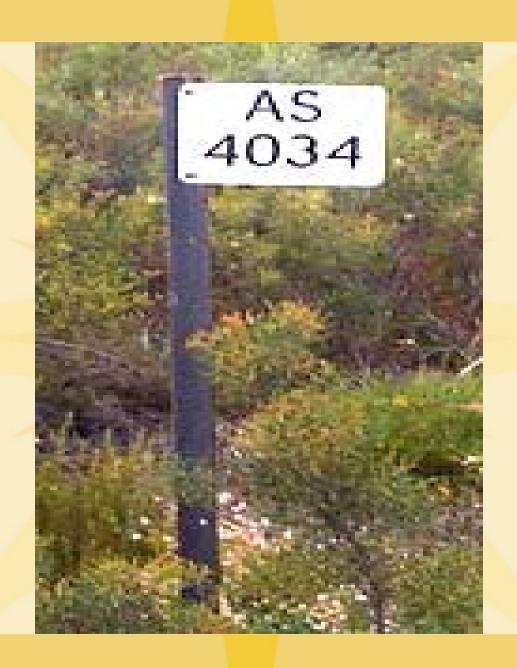
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Beehives on a Nature Reserve near New Norcia



Beekeeper working his hives near New Norcia





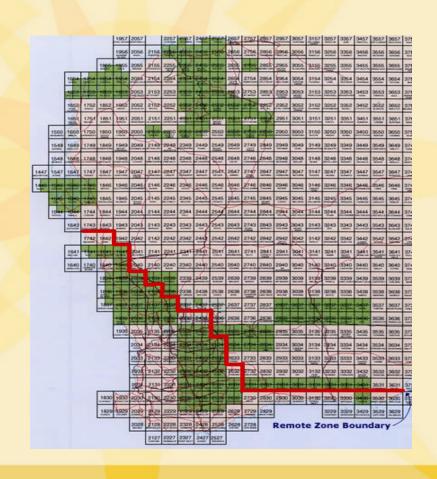
CALM's Role with Apiary Site Management

- The Department of Conservation and Land Management (CALM) manages beekeeper access to all Crown land through the Conservation and Land Management Act 1984 and the Forest Management Regulations 1993.
- Apiary sites occur on all types of Crown land.

General Beekeeping Statistics

- There are currently 3448 apiary site permits issued by CALM on Crown land tenures.
- 1767 permits are on land vested in the Conservation Commission of Western Australia (lands managed by CALM)
- Some 70% of the honey resource in Western Australia is located on lands managed by CALM.
- There are approx 1000 beekeepers registered with the Department of Agriculture in Western Australia.
- CALM has issued permits to approx 100 beekeepers to collect honey from Crown land sites.

Remote Zone Boundary of Apiary Sites in WA



Distribution of apiary sites in the South West Zone





The number of apiary sites on each land tenure - March 06

Land Tenure	South West	Remote	Total
UCL	291	723	1014
State Forest	866	0	866
National Parks	419	17	436
Pastoral Leases	19	316	335
Nature Reserves	261	2	263
Other Reserves	131	127	258
Timber Reserves	65	51	116
Conservation Parks	69	17	86
Shire Reserves	63	1	64
Freehold	10	0	10
Total	2194	<mark>12</mark> 54	3448

Issuing Permits on Crown Land in WA

- The Department can grant apiary site permits for the purpose of keeping an apiary on land vested in the Conservation Commission, subject to consultation with the Commission and the approval of the Minister for the Environment.
- The Department also seeks the approval of other government agencies when applications are received to place beehives on land not managed by CALM.

Issuing of Permits

- Permits can be issued for a maximum of 5 years. This will increase to 7 years under approved amendments to the Regulations.
- Standard permit conditions ensure compliance with the Department's management requirements:
 - Water catchment guidelines
 - Dieback control
 - Threatened ecological communities
 - Declared Rare Flora
 - Recreation Sites
 - Fire prevention
 - Preferred access
 - Site preparation issues
 - Signposting

Beekeeping Consultative Committee

- The Beekeeping Consultative
 Committee was created to facilitate
 discussion and consultation between
 CALM, beekeeping industry groups
 and other Government agencies on
 issues that may affect the beekeeping
 industry.
- The Committee normally meets twice a year in May and November.

Beekeeping Consultative Committee

- The BCC provides industry input to CALM on beekeeping matters and consists of representatives from the:
- WA Apiarists' Society
- Wescobee Limited
- Swan Settlers Limited
- WA Farmers Federation Beekeeping Section
- WA Beekeepers Association
- Pollination Association of WA
- Water Corporation
- Pastoral Lands Board
- Pastoralists and Graziers Association.

Permits current in the Wheatbelt Region 1999 - 2006

Permits current in the Goldfields Region 1999-2006

Permits current in the Midwest Region 1999-2006



Current permits in the Swan Region 1999-2006



Permits current in the South Coast Region 1999- 2006



Permits current in the South West Region 1999-2006



Permits current in the Warren Region 1999-2006





Permits current in Pilbara Region 99-06 (Mardie & Uaroo Stations only)

Total Number of permits issued - All Regions 1992- 2006



Current Permits issued in the South West and Remote Zone 2001-2006



Permits current on land vested in the Conservation Commission 2001 - 2006

Permits current on other lands not managed by CALM



Apiary Sites on UCL from 2001-2006 by Regions



Apiary Sites on Pastoral Leases 2001-2006



Apiary Sites in National Parks by Forest Regions 2001-2006



Apiary Sites in Nature Reserves 2002-2006

Lesueur National Park - 23 sites



Shannon National Park - 33 Sites



Greater Beedelup National Park - 28 Sites



Dryandra Woodlands - 55 sites



Leeuwin-Naturaliste National Park - 19 sites



Tuart Forest National Park - 6 sites



Lane Poole Reserve - 32 sites



Wellington National Park - 12 sites

