

# Proposal to place beehives within a Public Drinking Water Source Area

This application applies to beekeepers conducting beekeeping activities on sites located within any Public Drinking Water Source Area (PDWSA). PDWSAs are areas from which water is captured to supply drinking water and they are subject to management requirements of the Department of Water (some of which are delegated to the Water Corporation). PDWSAs include all underground water pollution control areas, catchment areas and water reserves constituted under the *Metropolitan Water Supply, Sewerage, and Drainage Act 1909* and the *Country Areas Water Supply Act 1947*. The Department of Parks and Wildlife (DPaW) manages the issuing of apiary authorities for sites within Crown lands under the *Conservation and Land Management Act 1984*, some of which occur in PDWSAs.

The location of PDWSAs is shown in <u>http://www.water.wa.gov.au</u>. > Managing water > <u>Drinking water</u>. >Relevant Links Publications> scroll down to <u>Public Drinking Water Source Areas : Western Australia</u> and <u>Public Drinking Water Source Areas : South West</u>.

PDWSAs protect water quality and provide for a reliable, safe, lower cost public water supply. There are areas in PDWSAs particularly vulnerable to contamination by land uses, called protection zones - to which specific limitations apply (see the Department of Water's <u>Living and working in Public Drinking Water Source Areas</u>.) Beekeeping activities are not allowed in a reservoir protection zone (RPZ), illustrated below.

RPZs normally extend 2 km on the upstream side of the reservoir (and include the water body itself). The Department of Water produces drinking water source protection reports showing the protection zones within each PDWSA. These reports are available at <u>Drinking water</u> > scroll down to: *Click <u>here</u> for drinking water source protection plans and assessments.* 



#### Beekeeper's details

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Name of beekeeper				
Trading name/busine	ess name			
Address (postal)	·			Postcode
Phone	Fax		Email	
Website		Mobile		
Name of Public Drink	king Water Source Area:	1		
			Dep	partment of Parks and Wildlife

Overnight camping is allowed for one night only per site visit. Beekeepers need to abide by the best practice guidelines listed in this document. In addition beekeepers must comply with DPaW's *General conditions for using Apiary Authorities on Crown land in WA* and the *National Best Management Practice for Beekeeping in the Australian Environment,* available on DPaW's beekeeping website <<u>http://www.dec.wa.gov.au/beekeeping</u>>

## **Proposal:**

The beekeeper proposes to place beehives bearing the brand...... on sites registered (by DPaW) within any PDWSA, as shown on the attached schedule.

DPaW may grant apiary site authorities provided the siting of the apiary follows best practice for the PDWSA, discussed in this document and DPaW's *General Conditions for using Apiary Authorities on Crown land in WA*, and:

- 1 The authority is subject to cancellation if the beekeeper fails to abide by the best practice within PDWSAs referred to in this application.
- 2 The beekeeper agrees to cooperate with the Department of Water and Water Corporation in not interfering with day to day operations or acting contrary to the drinking water protection goals of PDWSAs.
- 3 Should the operations of the Department of Water and Water Corporation be adversely affected by the activities of the beekeeper, the Department of Water has the option in that the beekeeper shall relocate the apiary site to another position.
- 4 If relocation of the location is not possible then the authority will be cancelled.
- 5 The beekeeper will provide evidence of having an authority when requested by the Department of Water and Water Corporation.

## Note to beekeepers:

DPaW can arrange maps showing all the beekeeper's authorities and their locations on the PDWSA. However charges apply; to order contact the DPaW Apiary coordinator.

In addition to the application process, the signing of this form but he beekeeperlf in the event that the Department of Water/ Water Corporation needs to contact a beekeeper, by you signing this form you are authorising the DPaW Apiary Coordinator to be able to provide your contact information to them.

The Department of Water contact information is: Water Source Protection Planning Branch <u>.drinkingwater@water.wa.gov.au</u>; PO Box K822, Perth WA 6842.

Once completed by the beekeeper, please return the form with a map showing the site/s to the DPaW Apiary Coordinator apiary@dpaw.wa.gov.au, to complete the authority process.

## Signature of Beekeeper:

Signature of beekeeper	Date