



Public nomination for the review of old-growth forest status

Please return the completed form to:

Email: Forest.Info@dbca.wa.gov.au

or

Mail: Project Officer
Forest and Ecosystem Management
Parks and Wildlife Service
Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions
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1 Applicant contact details

Surname:	Other names:
Address (residential):	
Address (postal):	
Phone:	Email:
Fax:	
Associated institution or body (if applicable):	

2 Land to which this request relates

State forest or forest block name:

Location detail e.g. roads or GPS coordinates. Please attach a map which indicates the area/s which you consider may be potential old-growth forest:

3 Reason for nomination

Please describe the research you have undertaken on this area prior to lodging this request. This may include recorded observations, photographs, maps and/or imagery which should be attached to this application form.

Details:

4 Old-growth forest category

Please indicate (tick) which of the following old-growth forest definitions may apply to the request area. The definitions of old-growth forest below are as defined in the Regional Forest Agreement and applied in the *Forest Management Plan 2014-2023*.

- Karri and karri/tingle forest – uncut forest which is dominated by trees in the mature or senescent growth stage.
- Jarrah and jarrah/tingle forest – uncut forest or forest that has been subject to minimal disturbance and which is not known to be affected by *Phytophthora cinnamomi*.
- Jarrah woodland – uncut woodland which is not known to be affected by *Phytophthora cinnamomi*.
- Wandoo forest and woodland – uncut forest or woodland.

5 Further information

Please ensure all details specified in this form are included with the nomination, as processing cannot commence without adequate detail being provided. If insufficient detail is included in the application, the request will be returned with the areas needing attention highlighted. No further action will occur until the amended request is returned with adequate information.

Upon receipt of an adequately detailed request, an initial review will be undertaken using remote sensed data, corporate records and other information. If this initial review indicates that old-growth forest may be present, then any disturbance activities within the area will be deferred until a full assessment can be completed by department personnel.

Assessments will be undertaken in a priority order, with areas that are scheduled for disturbance activities within the next 12 months receiving highest priority. Field assessments will be based on standard procedures used by the department. Please note that the field and office components of the assessment can be undertaken over several months. Timing will depend on the complexity of the assessment and concurrent priorities for department personnel.

The results of the assessment will be sent to the applicant. If the nominated area is assessed by the department and found to be old-growth forest, the corporate database will be amended and the area will be formally recorded and demarcated as old-growth forest. These amendments will be included in the map published annually on the department's Parks and Wildlife Service website that depicts the extent and status of old-growth forests in the southwest.