HERITAGE COUNCIL OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

REGISTER OF HERITAGE PLACES

Permanent Entry

1. DATA BASE No. 06839

2. NAME *Gascoyne Research Station* (1940+)

3. LOCATION South River Road cnr Research Road, Carnarvon

4. DESCRIPTION OF PLACE INCLUDED IN THIS ENTRY

Portion of Lot 125 on Deposited Plan 202366 being part of Reserve 18009 and part of the land contained in Crown Land Title Volume 3139 Folio 57, portion of Lot 460 on Deposited Plan 202366 being part of Reserve 18009 and part of the land contained in Crown Land Title Volume 3139 Folio 58, portion of Lot 461 on Deposited Plan 202366 being part of Reserve 18009 and part of the land contained in Crown Land Title Volume 3139 Folio 59 and portion of the Research Road road reserve together as is defined in Heritage Council of Western Australia Survey Drawing No 6839 prepared by Whelans 21 January 2005.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA Shire of Carnarvon

6. OWNER State of Western Australia

(Management Order to the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Agriculture)
(Responsible Agency Shire of Carnarvon as to Road Reserve)

7. HERITAGE LISTINGS

• Register of Heritage Places:	Interim Entry	26/05/2006
	Permanent Entry	20/04/2007
• National Trust Classification:		----------
• Town Planning Scheme:		----------
• Municipal Inventory:	House No. 3 - Adopted	24/01/1996
• Register of the National Estate:		----------

8. CONSERVATION ORDER

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9. HERITAGE AGREEMENT

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10. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Gascoyne Research Station, comprising an office, eleven employee dwellings, packing shed, tractor shed, workshop, nursery, water tanks, outbuildings and trial

plots of various plantings first established in 1940, has cultural heritage significance for the following reasons:

the place is rare as the only research station in Western Australia to specialise in research into horticulture for the northwest, and one of only two established in the State to investigate tropical agriculture;

staff at the place undertook research to facilitate the botanical understanding and horticultural development of the Gascoyne region, which is one of the region's major industries;

the place is illustrative of State Government support for land settlement and agricultural advancement, with various schemes developed since the late 1880s to improve farming conditions and encourage people to take up agricultural land; and,

the place is a good representative example of an agricultural research station of the World War Two and immediate Post-War period.

Elements of some significance: the packing shed, Houses 3, 4, 7 & 8, 9, and the c.1960 office building.

Elements of little significance: Houses 1, 2, 5, 6, 10 & 11.

Elements of no significance: office building additions, the outbuildings associated with each dwelling, the carports, recreation shed, water tanks, and the steel clad sheds and nursery shed in the operational area.