



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Purpose Permit number:	CPS 10049/1
Permit Holder:	Shire of Yilgarn
Duration of Permit:	From 23 December 2023 to 23 December 2028

The permit holder is authorised to *clear native vegetation* subject to the following conditions of this permit.

PART I – CLEARING AUTHORISED

1. Clearing authorised (purpose)

The permit holder is authorised to *clear native vegetation* for the purpose of road construction and sourcing of construction materials.

2. Land on which clearing is to be done

Unallocated Crown Land (PIN 642857), Mount Holland

Unallocated Crown Land (PINs 642971, 642974, 9658955), Skeleton Rock

Reserves 24049 (PINs 962598, 965979, 965980), Skeleton Rock

Jilbadji Location 46 (PINs 962597, 965976), Skeleton Rock

Unallocated Crown Land (PIN 962555), Parker Range

King Ingram Road Reserve (PIN 11680381), Mount Holland and Skeleton Rock

Marvel Loch – Forrestania Road Reserves (PINs 11680381, 11680384, 11680385, 11680389, 11680390, 11680391, 11680392, 11680393, 11680394, 11680396, 11712460, 11712461, 11712462, 11712463), Mount Holland, Skeleton Rock, Marvel Loch and Parker Range.

3. Clearing authorised

The permit holder must not *clear* more than 24.9 hectares of *native vegetation* within the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1.

4. Period during which clearing is authorised

The permit holder must not *clear* any *native vegetation* after 23 December 2028

PART II – MANAGEMENT CONDITIONS

5. Avoid, minimise, and reduce impacts and extent of clearing

In determining the *native vegetation* authorised to be *cleared* under this permit, the permit holder must apply the following principles, set out in descending order of preference:

- (a) avoid the clearing of *native vegetation*;
- (b) minimise the amount of *native vegetation* to be cleared; and
- (c) reduce the impact of *clearing* on any environmental value.

6. Weed management

When undertaking any *clearing* authorised under this permit, the permit holder must take the following measures to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of *weeds*:

- (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
- (b) ensure that no known *weed*-affected soil, *mulch*, *fill*, or other material is brought into the area to be *cleared*; and
- (c) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be *cleared*.

7. Directional clearing

The permit holder must:

- (a) conduct *clearing* activities in a slow, progressive manner towards adjacent *native vegetation*; and
- (b) allow a reasonable time for fauna present within the area being cleared to move into adjacent *native vegetation* ahead of the *clearing* activity.

8. Wind and water erosion management

To reduce the potential for wind and water erosion, the permit holder must:

- (a) commence the construction of road and associated structures, including drainage, no later than three (3) months after undertaking the authorised *clearing* activities; and
- (b) undertake *dust management* within the permit area to suppress dust impacts to the surrounding *vegetation*.

9. Priority flora management

- (a) The permit holder must ensure that:
 - (i) the boundaries of the area to be *cleared* are identified and demarcated using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA20), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees;
 - (ii) *recorded priority flora* are identified within the *clearing* boundary using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA20), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees;

- (b) When undertaking any *clearing* authorised under this permit, the permit holder must not cause or allow the *clearing* of more than the *recorded priority flora* within the *clearing* boundary.

PART III - RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING

10. Records that must be kept

The permit holder must maintain records relating to the listed relevant matters in accordance with the specifications detailed in Table 1.

Table 1: Records that must be kept

No.	Relevant matter	Specifications
1.	In relation to the authorised clearing activities generally	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the species composition, structure, and density of the <i>cleared</i> area; (b) the location where the <i>clearing</i> occurred, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings; (c) the date that the area was <i>cleared</i>; (d) the date construction activities commenced; (e) direction of <i>clearing</i>; (f) the size of the area <i>cleared</i> (in hectares); (g) actions taken to avoid, minimise, and reduce the impacts and extent of <i>clearing</i> in accordance with condition 5; (h) actions taken to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of <i>weeds</i> in accordance with condition 6; and (i) <i>dust management</i> actions in accordance with condition 8.
2.	In relation to flora management pursuant to condition 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the name and date <i>recorded priority flora</i> species were cleared; (b) the <i>recorded priority flora taxa</i> and number of individuals cleared; (c) the location of <i>recorded priority flora taxa</i> cleared, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (20), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings; and (d) actions taken to avoid the clearing of <i>recorded priority flora</i> species, where practicable.

11. Reporting

The permit holder must provide to the *CEO* the records required under condition 10 of this permit when requested by the *CEO*.

DEFINITIONS

In this permit, the terms in Table 2 have the meanings defined.

Table 2: Definitions

Term	Definition
CEO	Chief Executive Officer of the department responsible for the administration of the clearing provisions under the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> .
clearing	has the meaning given under section 3(1) of the EP Act.
condition	a condition to which this clearing permit is subject under section 51H of the EP Act.
department	means the department established under section 35 of the <i>Public Sector Management Act 1994</i> (WA) and designated as responsible for the administration of the EP Act, which includes Part V Division 3.
dust management	the system implemented to reduce or eliminate dust emissions from the activities that generate airborne and fugitive dust and cause erosion e.g. through the application of dust suppression with water or other material.
EP Act	<i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> (WA)
fill	means material used to increase the ground level, or to fill a depression.
mulch	means the use of organic matter, wood chips or rocks to slow the movement of water across the soil surface and to reduce evaporation.
native vegetation	has the meaning given under section 3(1) and section 51A of the EP Act.
Priority flora	means those plant taxa described as priority flora classes 1, 2, 3, or 4 in the <i>Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions Threatened and Priority Flora List for Western Australia</i> (as amended)
recorded	means individuals of those priority flora species found within the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1 during the following surveys: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) <i>Interim Detailed Flora and Vegetation Assessment and Gap Analysis Moorine Rock to Mt Holland minesite. Southern Section, Parker Range to Mt Holland, Supporting Clearing Permit CPS 10049</i>. Dated June 2023. (Western Botanical, 2023) (DWER Reference DWERDT871963) (b) <i>Interim Detailed Flora and Vegetation Assessment and Gap Analysis Moorine Rock to Mt Holland minesite. Northern Section, Gt Eastern Hwy to Fence Road. Supporting Clearing Permit CPS 10197</i>. Dated June 2023. (Western Botanical, 2023). (DWER Reference: DWERDT871948) (c) <i>Interim Detailed Flora and Vegetation Assessment and Gap Analysis Moorine Rock to Mt Holland minesite. Central Section, Mt Caudan Bypass to Buffalo Bypass. Supporting Proposed Clearing Permit CPS 10265</i>. Dated July 2023. (Western Botanical, 2023). (DWER Rerence : DWERDT871965) (d) Additional survey targeting priority flora for CPS 10049, CPS 10197 and CPS 10265 whose result is summarized in data sheet

Term	Definition
	entitled “ <i>Covalent Composite Flora 20231110 CPS10197 10265 10049 Summary</i> ”. Received by the Department on 10 November 2023 (DWER Reference DWERDT868667)
weeds	means any plant – (a) that is a declared pest under section 22 of the <i>Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007</i> ; or (b) published in a Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions species-led ecological impact and invasiveness ranking summary, regardless of ranking; or (c) not indigenous to the area concerned.

END OF CONDITIONS

Mathew Gannaway
 MANAGER
 NATIVE VEGETATION REGULATION

*Officer delegated under Section 20
 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986*

29 November 2023

Schedule 1

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The boundary of the area authorised to be cleared is shown in the map below (Figure 1-1 to 1-16).

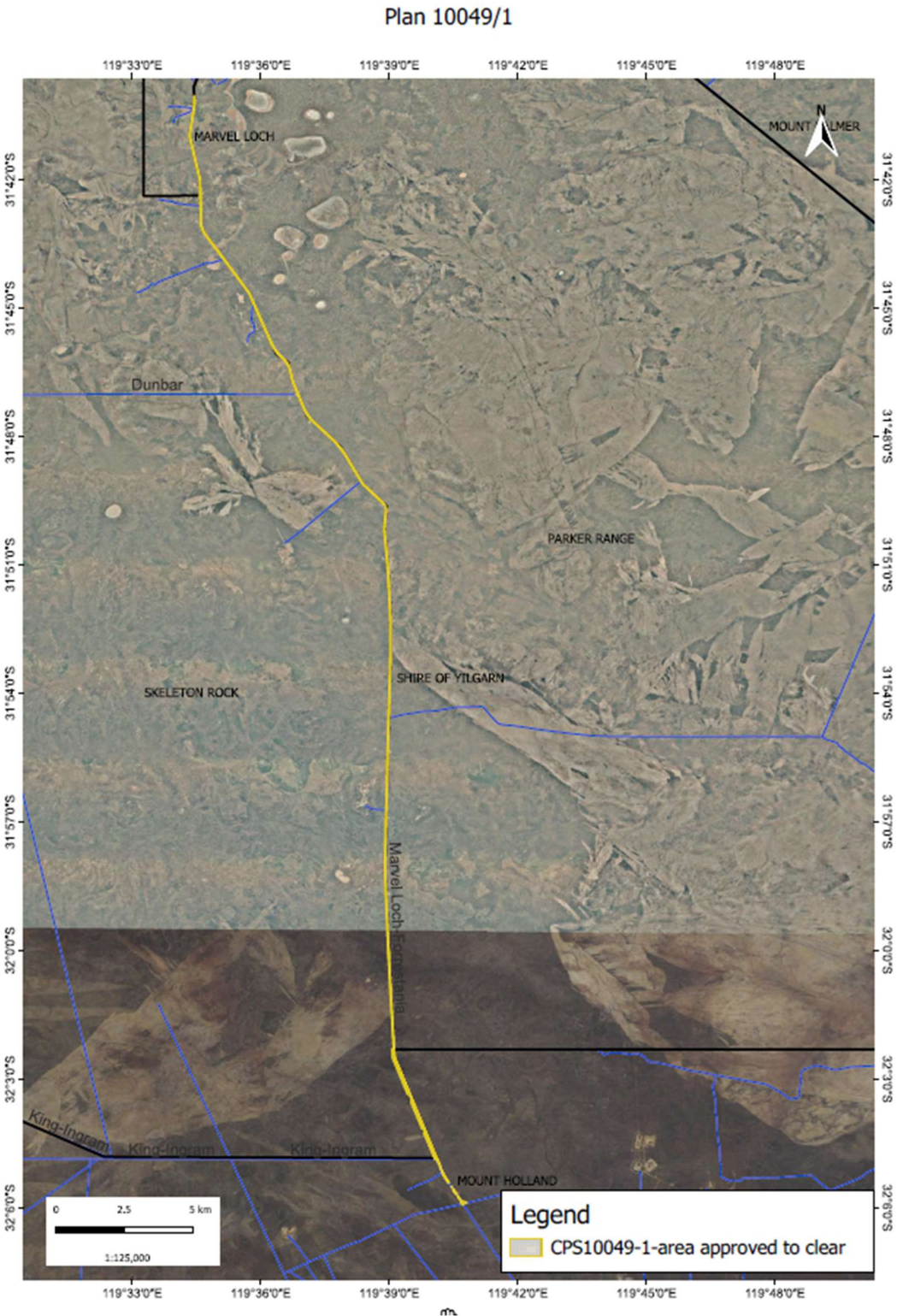


Figure 1.1 Map of the boundary of the area within which clearing may occur

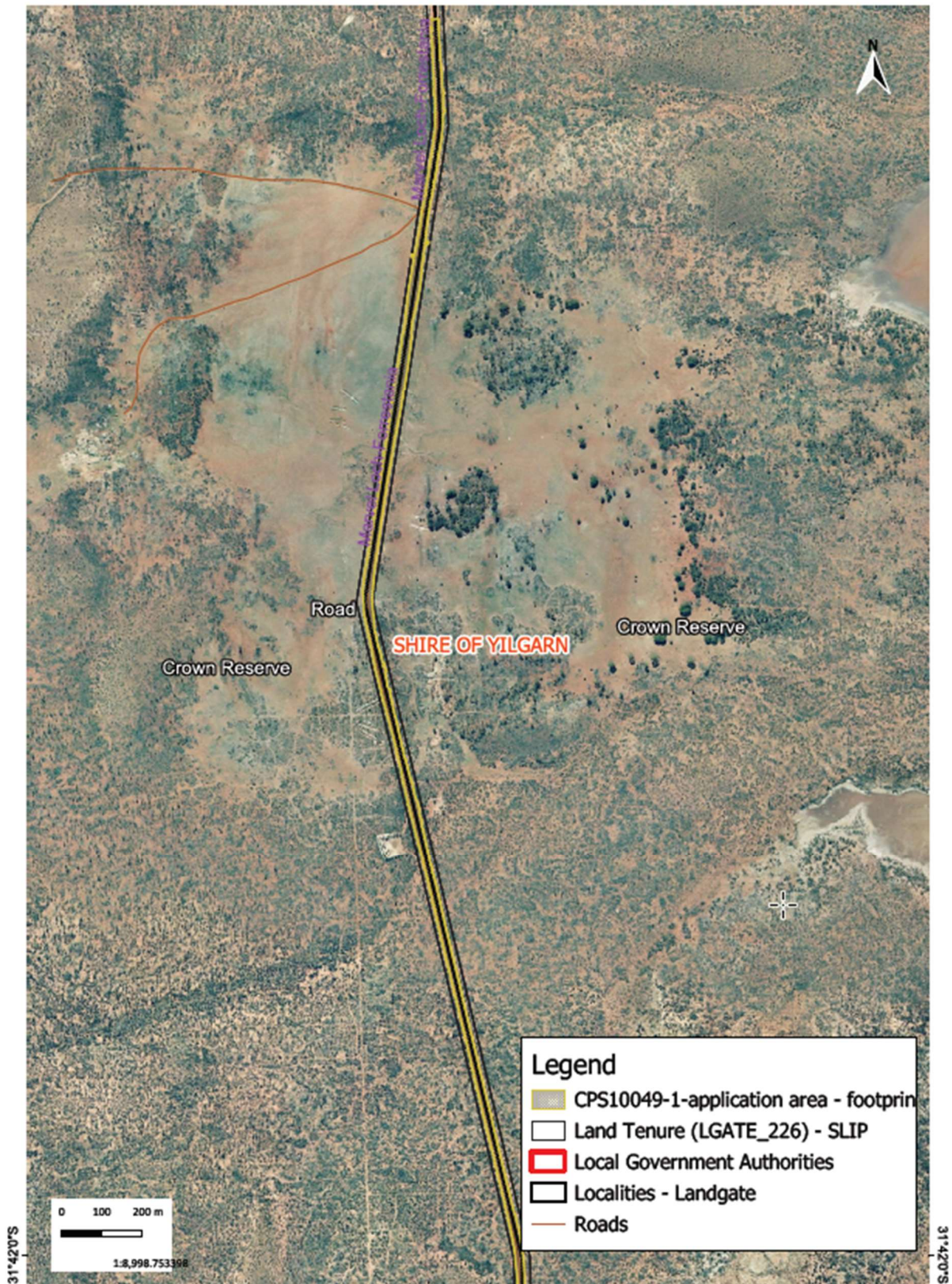


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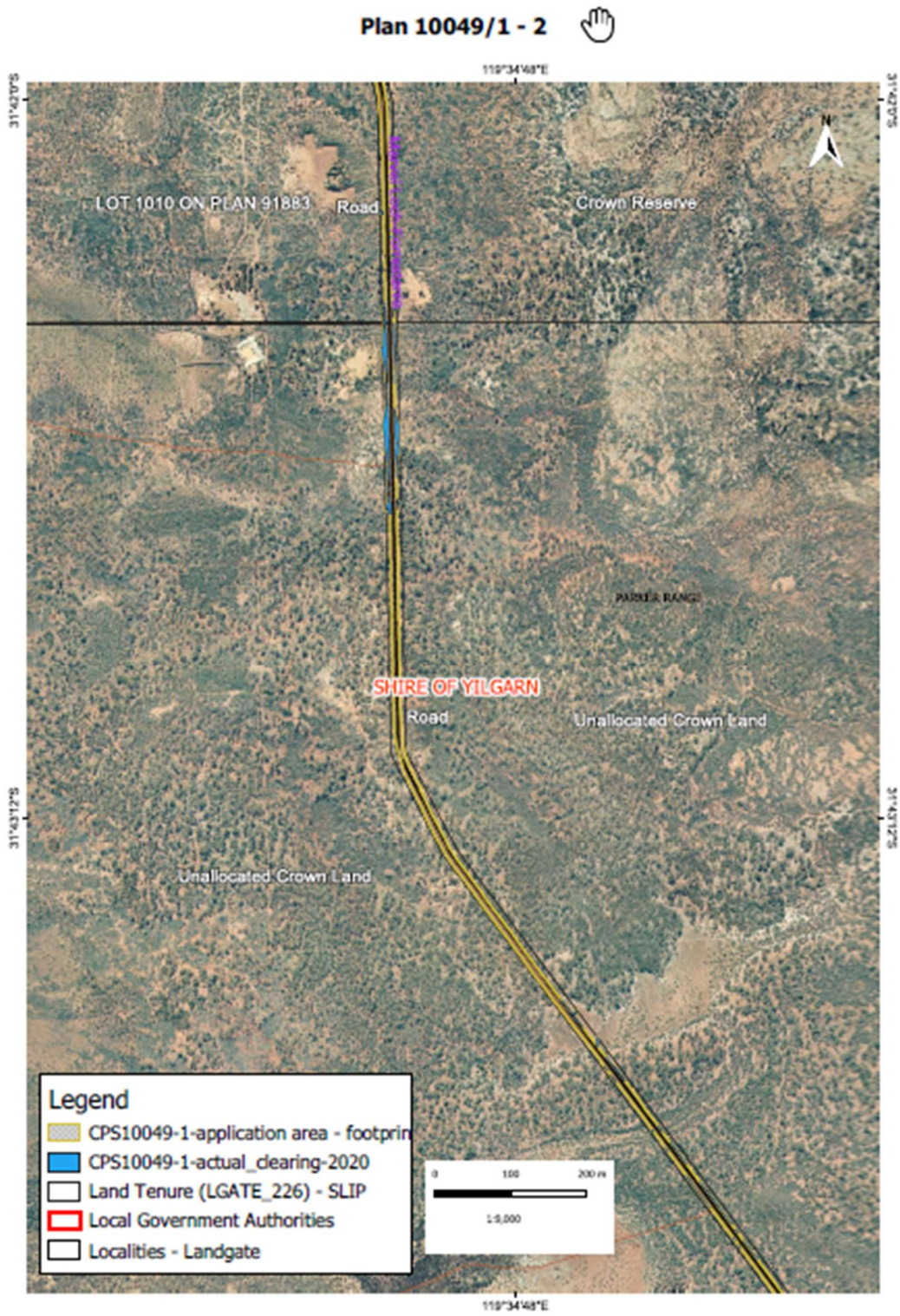


Figure 1.3 Map of the boundary of the area within which clearing may occur

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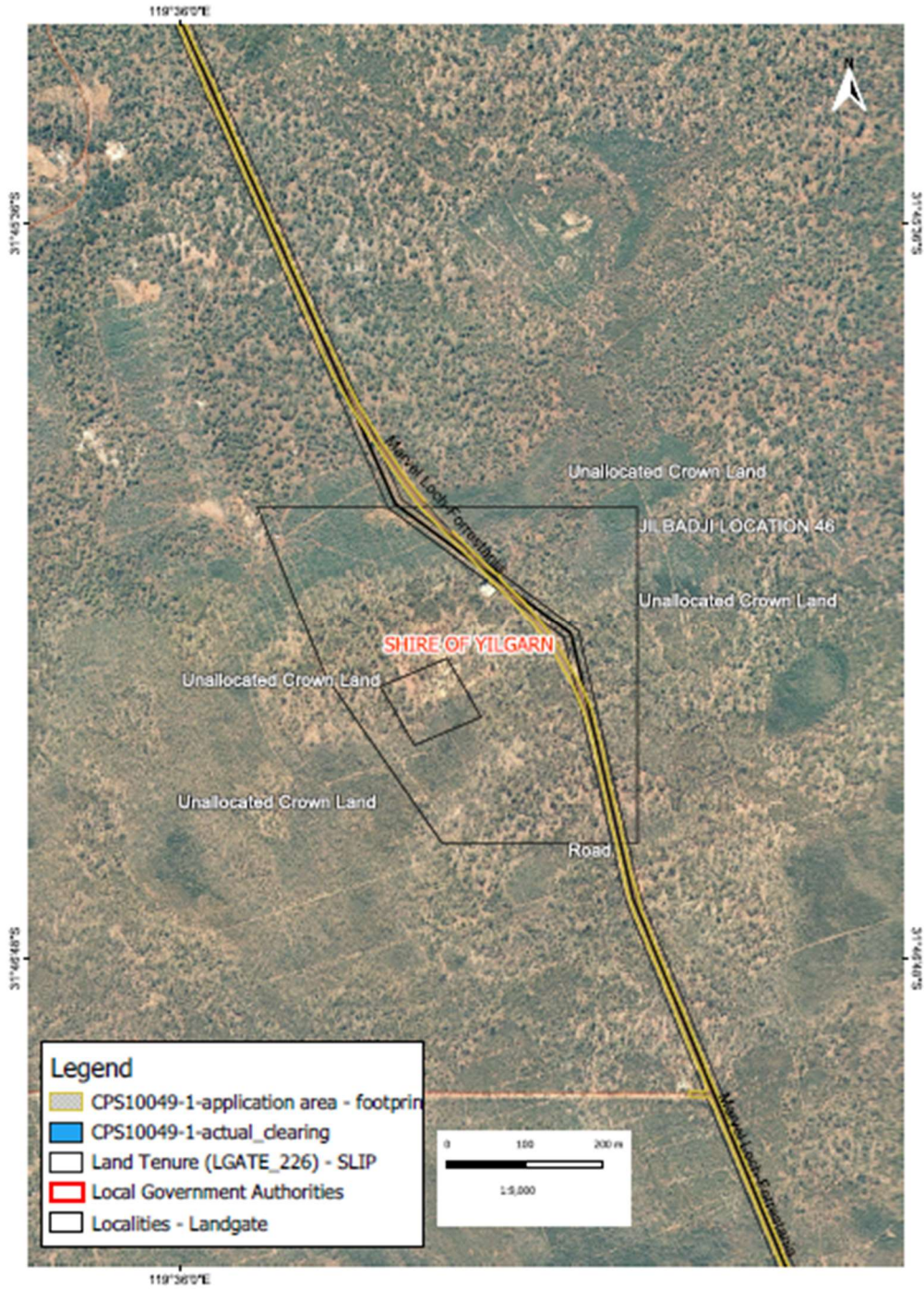


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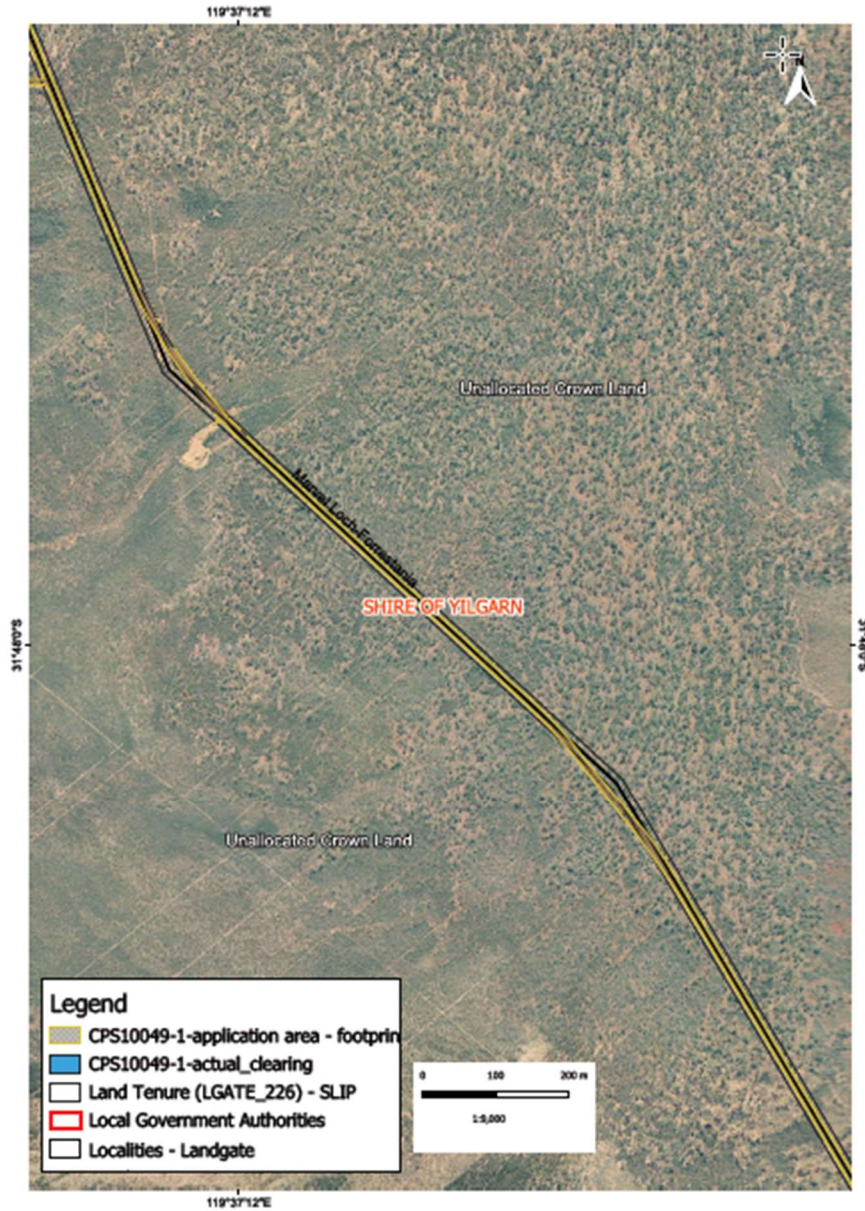


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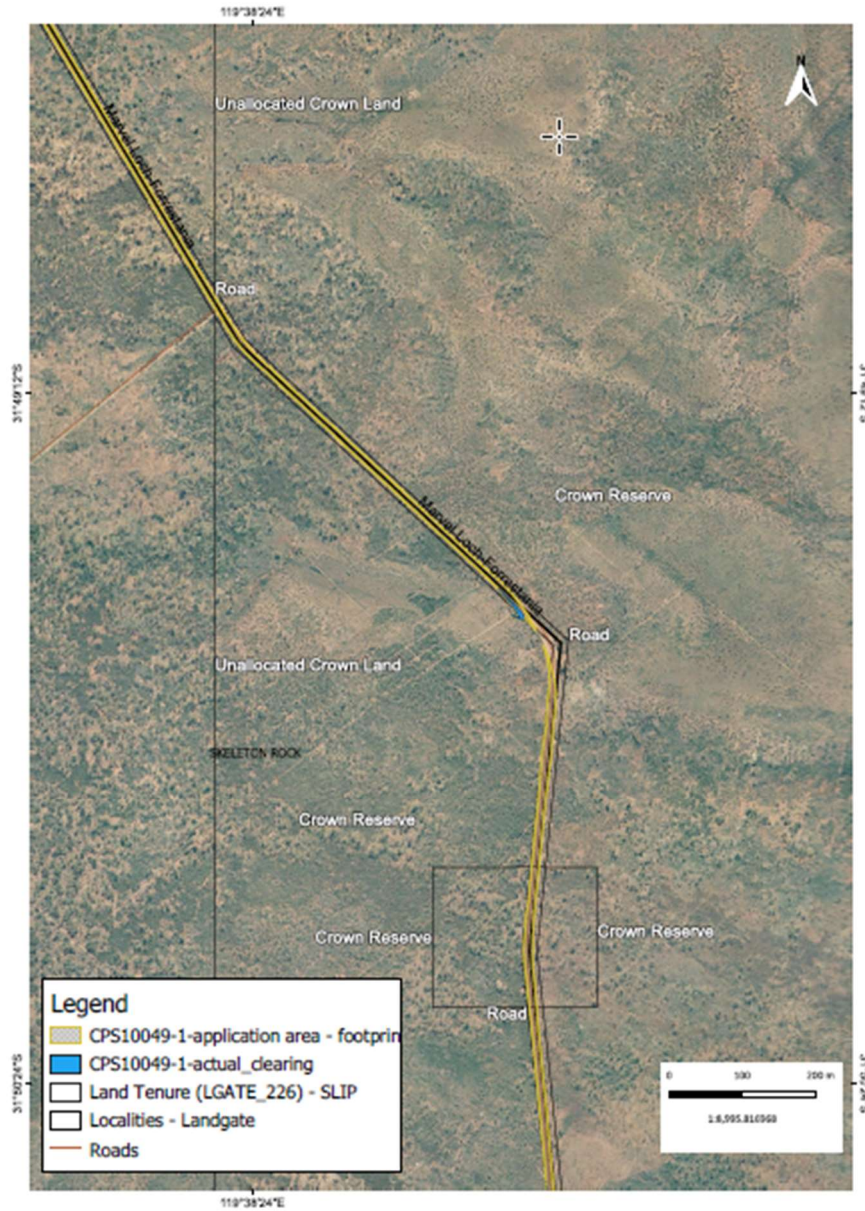


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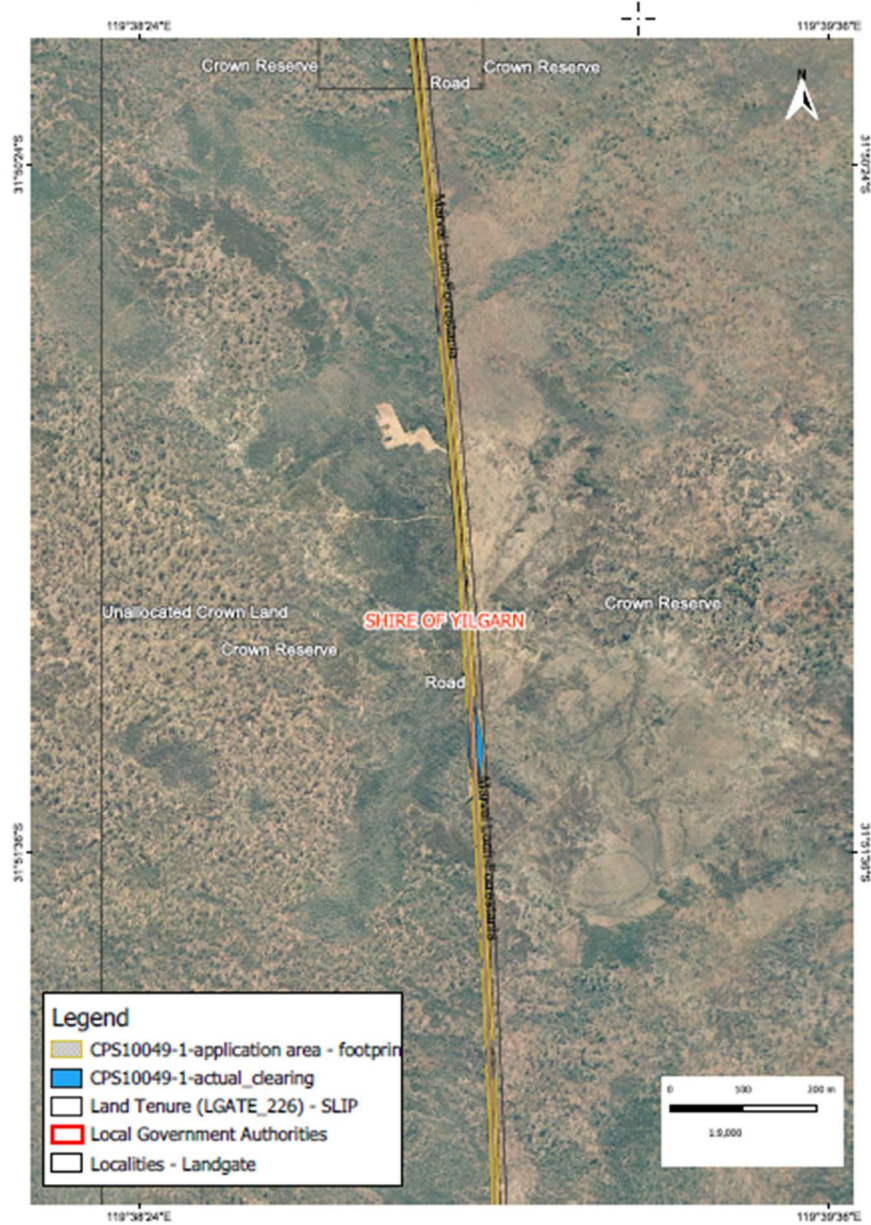


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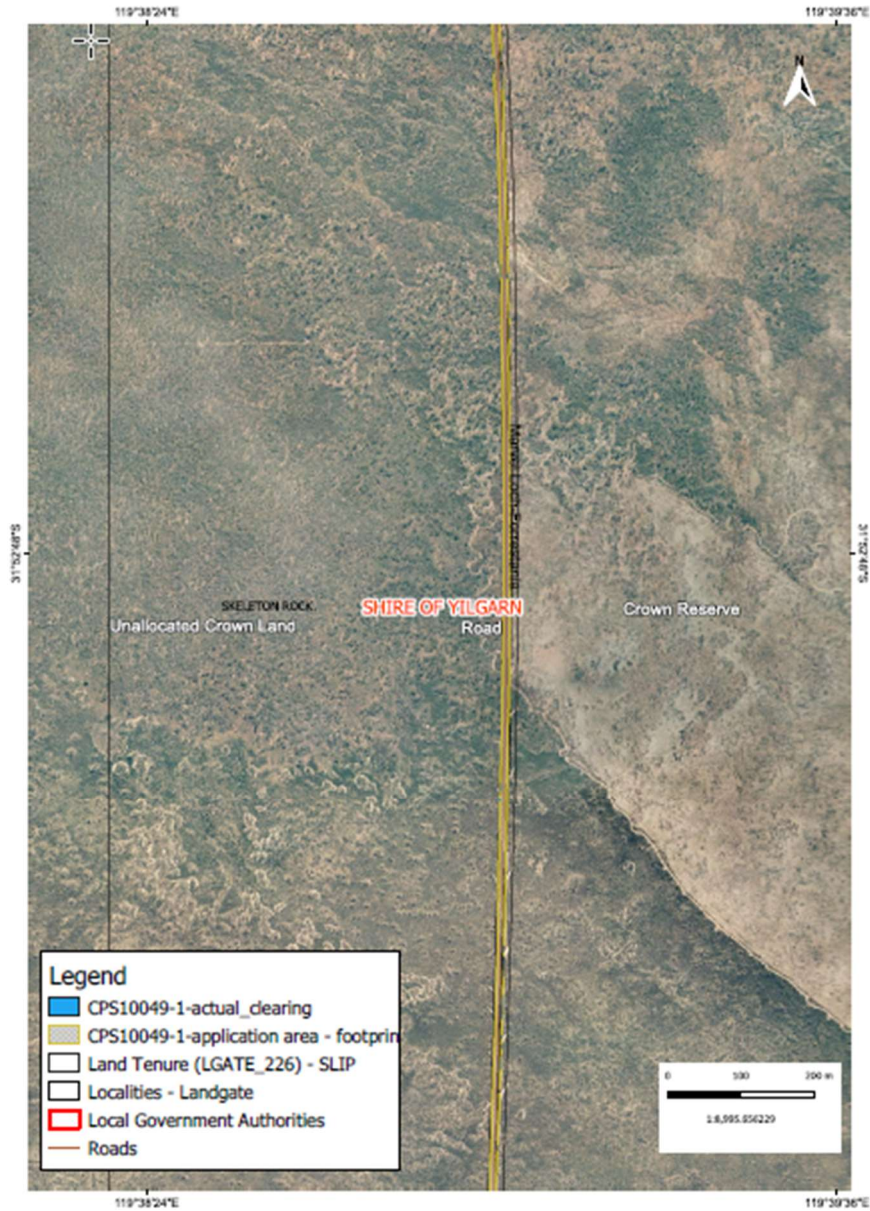


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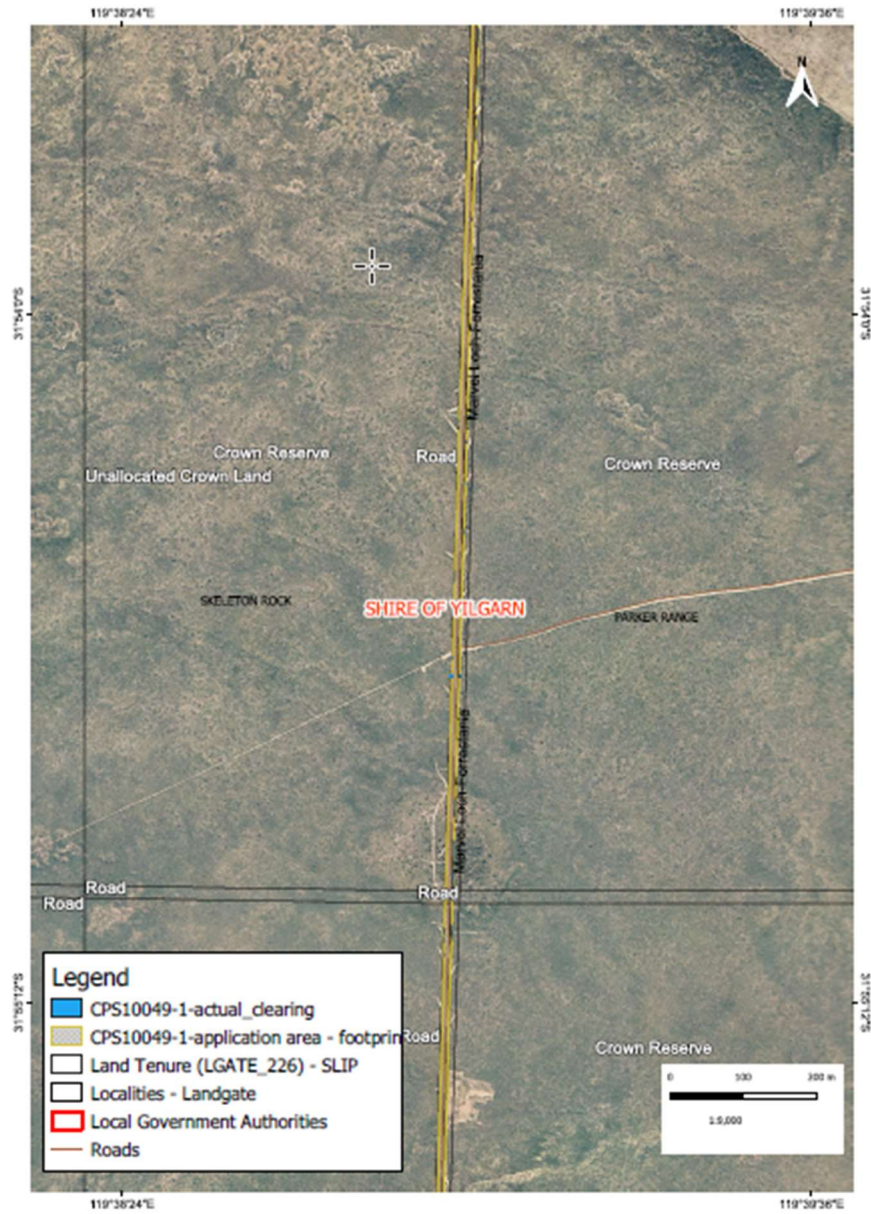


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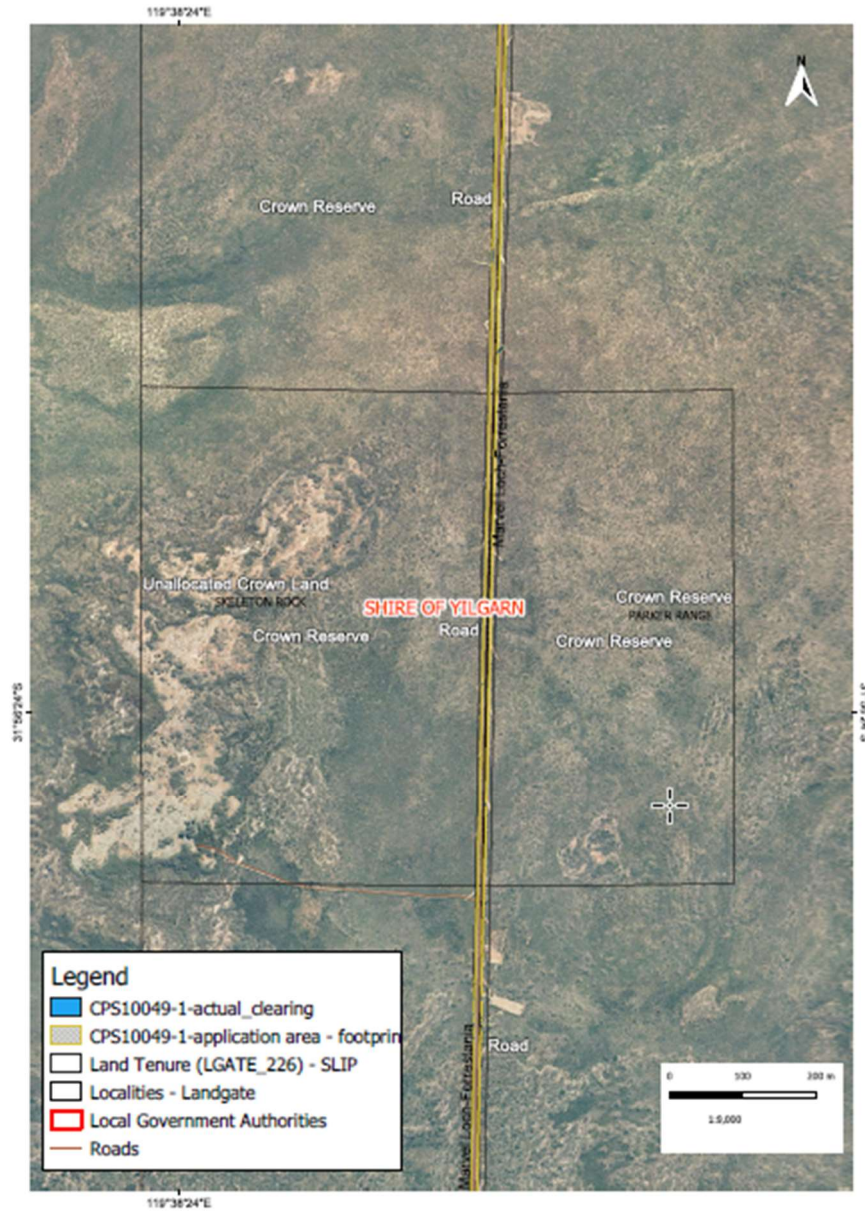


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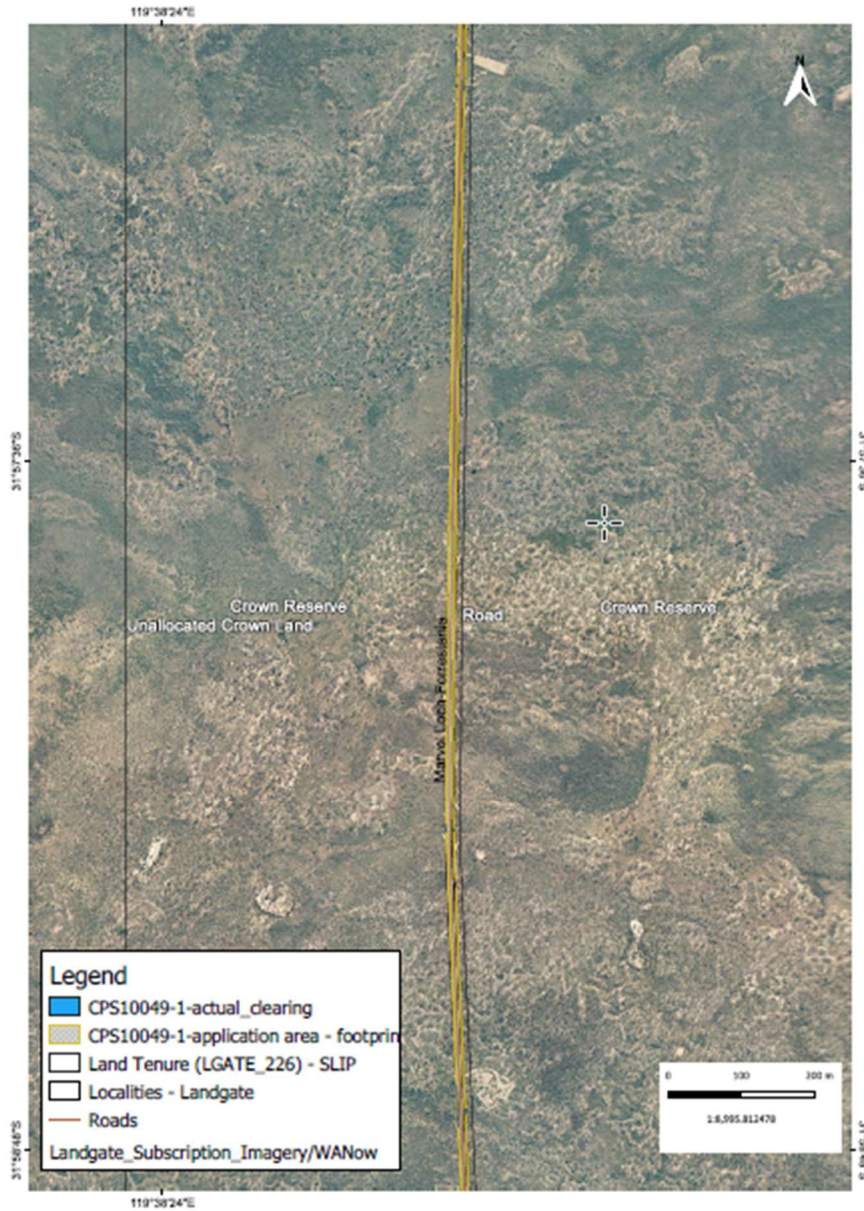


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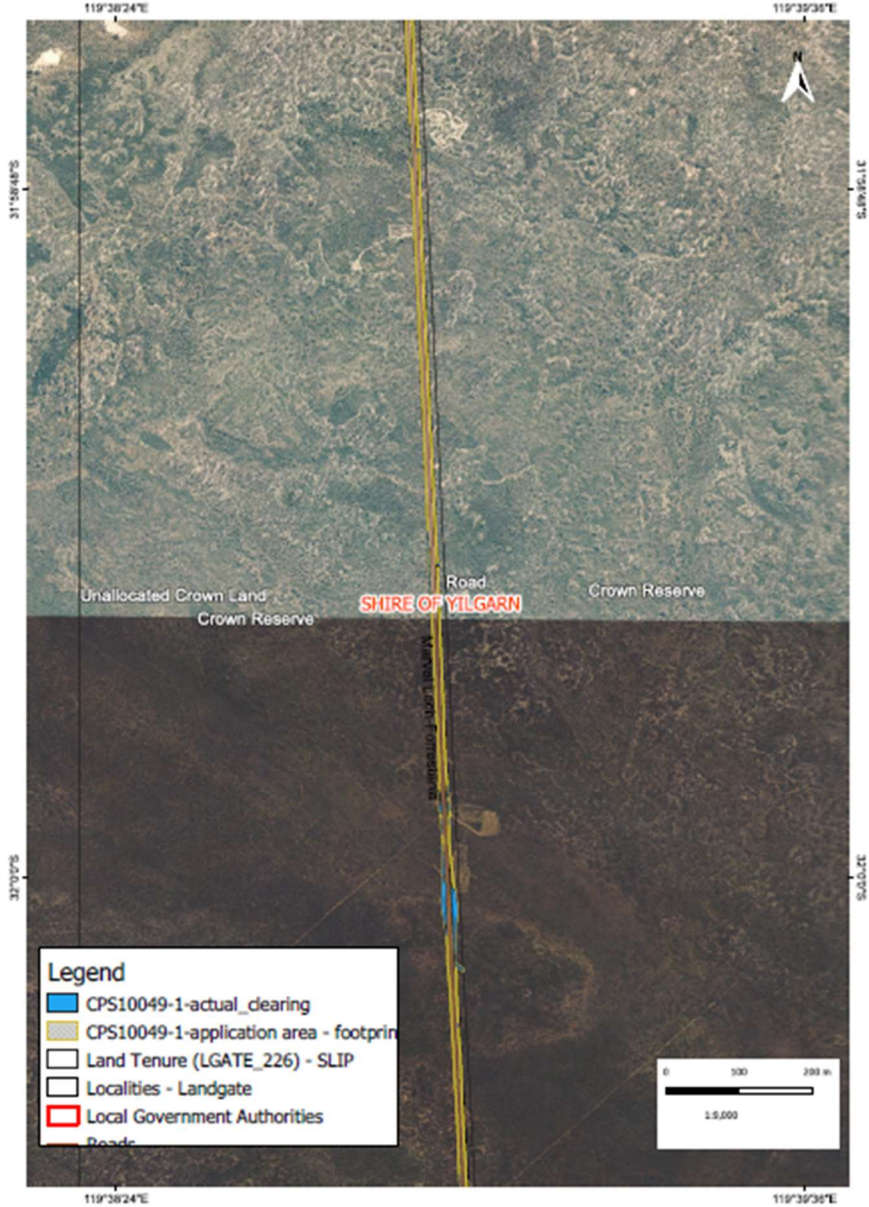


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Figure 1.13 Map of the boundary of the area within which clearing may occur

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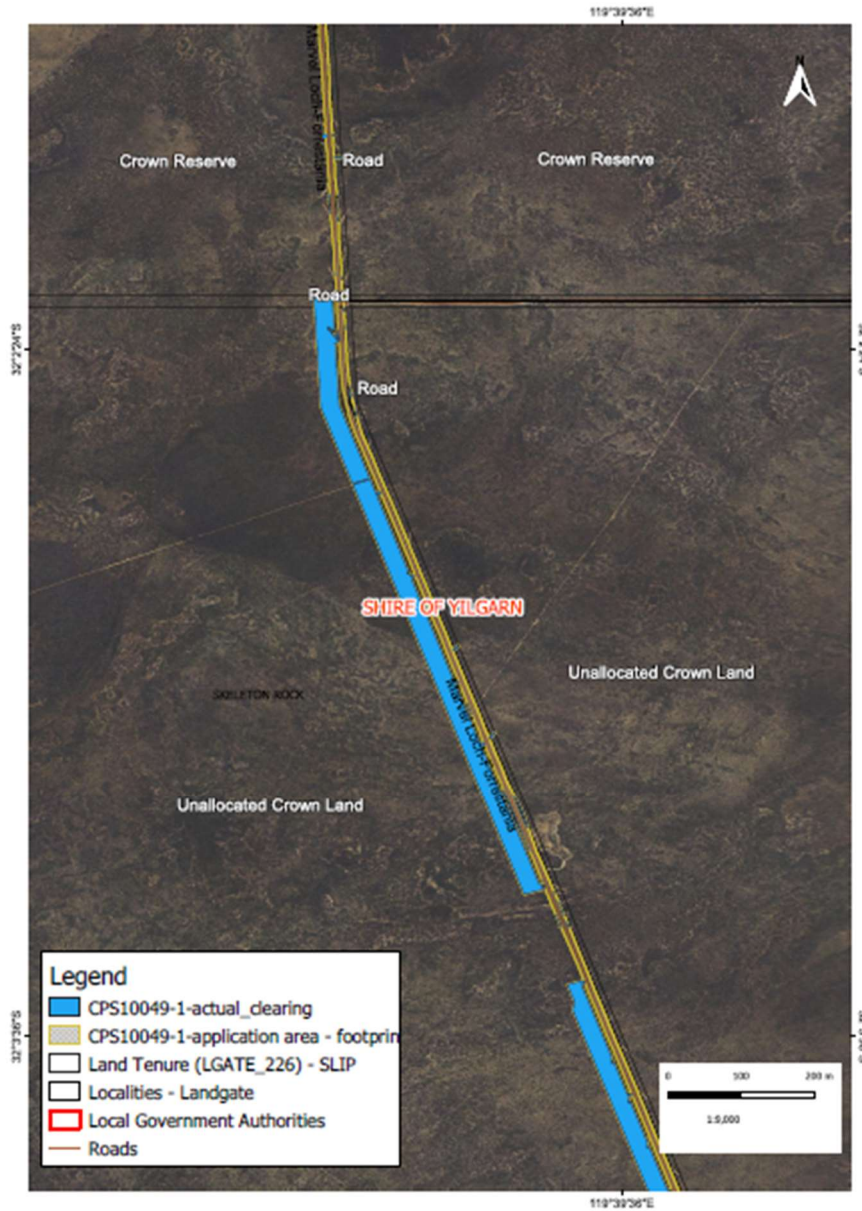


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Figure 1.15 Map of the boundary of the area within which clearing may occur

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