



Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER)
Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration (DMPE)

Application to amend a clearing permit

Environmental Protection Act 1986, section 51KA

FORM C4

The clearing of native vegetation is prohibited in Western Australia unless a clearing permit has been granted for the clearing or where a permit is not required (either due to a referral determination that one is not needed or because an exemption applies). A person who causes or allows unauthorised clearing commits an offence.

For further information on the stages of assessment for clearing permit applications (including amendments to existing permits), see the [Procedure: Native vegetation clearing permits](#) on DWER's website.

CPS No.

Date stamp

Part 1: Assessment bilateral agreement

If the amendment of a clearing permit will or is likely to impact on a matter of national environmental significance identified under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth) (EPBC Act) the original application must have been assessed in accordance with the bilateral assessment, and a variation under the EPBC Act is required prior to submitting this amendment application form.

To be assessed in this manner, the proposed clearing action must be referred to the Commonwealth under the EPBC Act and deemed a '[controlled action](#)' prior to submitting this application form.

Further information is located in *Form Annex C7* and *A guide to native vegetation clearing processes under the Assessment bilateral agreement* available at [Native vegetation clearing permits | Western Australian Government](#)

Do you want your proposed clearing action assessed in accordance with, or under, an EPBC Act Accredited Process such as the assessment bilateral agreement?

☐ Yes EPBC number:

☒ No Proceed to Part 2

List the controlling provisions identified in the notification of the controlled action decision.

☐ *Form Annex C7* is complete and the required supporting information is attached.

Part 2: Clearing permit details

Amendments can only be made to active clearing permits.

Applications must be made more than 90 working days prior to the existing permit expiring to ensure there is adequate time to assess the amendment.

Permit number for existing clearing permit

CPS 10870

Permit holder's name (as it appears on the existing clearing permit)

Focus Operations Pty Ltd

FILE REFERENCE

Permit expiry date:

5 September 2030

Mark this box if there are less than 90 working days until the expiry of the existing permit.

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Part 3: Applicant				
Applicant details				
To apply for an amendment to a permit you must be the current holder of the existing permit. Include Australian Company Number (ACN) if the proposed permit holder is a body corporate or other entity formed at law.	Are you applying as an individual, a company or incorporated body? Enter details for one only.			
	An individual Title Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Ms ☐ Other: Name/s			
	OR A body corporate or other entity formed at law (include ACN) Focus Operations Pty Ltd ACN: 115 821 255			
Applicant contact details				
If applying as a company or incorporated body, please also supply the registered business office address. DWER and DMPE prefer to send all correspondence via email. We request that you consent to receiving all correspondence relating to instruments and notices under Part V of the EP Act ("Part V documents") via email by indicating your consent in this section of the application form. Where 'yes' is selected, all correspondence from DWER or DMPE (as applicable) will be sent to you via email, to the email address provided in this section. Where 'no' has been selected, Part V documents will be posted to you in hard copy to the postal/business address you have provided in this section. Other general correspondence may still be sent to you via email.	Provide contact details for the above individual or body corporate.			
	Contact person (and position, if applicable)	Gemma Blick		
	Company name (if applicable)	Focus Minerals Ltd		
	Postal / business address	PO Box 3233 East Perth WA 6892 Level 5, 8 St Georges Terrace Perth WA 6000		
	Phone (fixed line):	T: +61 8 9215 7888	Phone (mobile):	
	Email address	GBlick@focusminerals.com.au		
	<i>I consent to all written correspondence between myself (the applicant) and DWER/DMPE (as applicable), regarding the premises which is the subject of this application, being exclusively via email, using the email address I have provided above.</i>		Yes ☒	No ☐
Contact details for enquiries				
If different from the applicant's contact details, enter the contact details of a person with whom DWER or DMPE should liaise with concerning this clearing application.	Where contact details differ to those of the applicant, complete the below section:			
	Contact person (and position, if applicable)	Tony Smith		
	Company name (if applicable)	Focus Minerals Ltd		
	Postal / business address	PO Box 3233 East Perth WA 6892 Level 5, 8 St Georges Terrace Perth WA 6000		
	Phone (fixed line)		Phone (mobile)	0437849147

Part 3: Applicant															
	Email address	TSmith@focusminerals.com.au													
Part 4: Proposed amendments															
Additional information to support the assessment of your application to amend may be attached. Please ensure you have included the following as part of your application: - a photocopy of the granted clearing permit, with proposed changes highlighted, <i>and</i> - payment of the prescribed fee. When providing details of the proposed change(s), if any additional clearing is proposed, include details of: - the proposed method of the clearing; - the purpose of the clearing; - the period within which the clearing is proposed to be undertaken (taking note of the published minimum assessment timeframes for DWER / DMPE, as applicable); <i>and</i> - the final land use.	Indicate the types of proposed change(s) to your clearing permit by selecting the relevant box(es): <table border="1"> <tr> <td>☒</td> <td>Extend the duration of the clearing permit.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☒</td> <td>Vary / add / remove a permit condition relating to a matter other than the size or boundary of the area to be cleared.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☒</td> <td>Amend the size of the area permitted to be cleared, or add / remove a land parcel on the clearing permit.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐</td> <td>Redescribe the boundary of the area authorised to be cleared <i>[for an area permit only]</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>☒</td> <td>Make a correction to the clearing permit.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐</td> <td>Other.</td> </tr> </table>			☒	Extend the duration of the clearing permit.	☒	Vary / add / remove a permit condition relating to a matter other than the size or boundary of the area to be cleared.	☒	Amend the size of the area permitted to be cleared, or add / remove a land parcel on the clearing permit.	☐	Redescribe the boundary of the area authorised to be cleared <i>[for an area permit only]</i>	☒	Make a correction to the clearing permit.	☐	Other.
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	☐	Other.													
	Provide details of the proposed change(s), and the rationale(s) for it / them. Seeking to extend the duration of the clearing permit to 5 years from the issue date of the revised permit. Seeking to amend permit condition 10(a) to increase the time period to from 'Within two weeks...' to 'Within four weeks...'. Seeking to increase the area permitted to be cleared from 'not more than 120 hectares' to 'not more than 150 hectares'. Figure 1: Map of the boundary of the area within which clearing may occur - has the wrong CPS number on it. Change from 'CPS 6182/3' to 'CPS 10870/_'														
State the nature of the applicant's authority to access the land to be cleared. Evidence of authority can include e.g. a copy of the certificate of title or a letter of authority signed by the landowner or other person with authority to give legal land access permission. <i>[Attach evidence of authority. Note that a letter of authority must explicitly state the applicant has authority to clear on the land.]</i> Mining tenement holder															
Land description: volume and folio number, lot or location number(s), Crown lease or reserve number, pastoral lease number, or mining tenement number of all properties. NA – remains as per original permit application area															
Have alternatives that would avoid or minimise the need for clearing been considered and applied? ☒ Yes ☐ No															
If yes, provide details: Avoiding clearing by keeping the design to minimum footprint required to achieve the outcome desired. Design of layouts to re-use as much previously cleared land as possible. Placing disturbance to the maximum extent possible in previously degraded areas.															

Part 4: Proposed amendments			
Refer to DWER's Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure guideline available on the DWER website, and the EPA's WA Environmental Offsets Policy and Guidelines on the EPA website for further information.	Do you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal with your application?	☐	Yes ☒ No
	If yes, provide details, and complete and attach Appendix A of the <i>Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure guideline</i> .		

Part 5: Other DWER approvals	
Instructions: - If your application is to be submitted to DMPE, complete Section A and then skip to Part 6 of this form. - If your application is to be submitted to DWER, complete both Sections A and B.	
Section A: Environmental Impact Assessment	
Environmental Impact Assessment (Part IV of the EP Act)	
Has this clearing application or any related matter been referred to the Environmental Protection Authority?	☐ Yes – provide details [] ☒ No
Do you intend to refer the proposal to the Environmental Protection Authority? Section 37B(1) of the EP Act defines a 'significant proposal' as "a proposal likely, if implemented, to have a significant effect on the environment". If a decision-making authority (e.g. DWER or DMPE) considers that the proposal in this application is likely to constitute a 'significant proposal', they are required under section 38(5) of the EP Act to refer the proposal to the EPA for assessment under Part IV, if such a referral has not already been made. If a relevant Ministerial Statement already exists, please provide the MS number in the space provided.	☐ Yes – intend to refer (proposal is a 'significant proposal') ☐ Yes – intend to refer (proposal will require a section 45C amendment to the current Ministerial Statement) MS [] ☐ No – a current valid Ministerial Statement applies: MS [] ☒ No – not a 'significant proposal'
Section B: Other approvals	
Pre-application scoping	
Have you had any pre-application / pre-referral / scoping meetings with DWER regarding any planned applications?	☐ No ☐ Yes – provide details: []
Works approval / Licence / Registration (Part V Division 3 of the EP Act)	
Have you applied or do you intend to apply for a works approval, licence, registration, or an amendment to any of the above, under Part V Division 3 of the EP Act? It is an offence to perform any action that would cause a premises to become a prescribed premises of a type listed in Schedule 1 of the <i>Environmental Protection Regulations 1987</i> , unless that action is done in accordance with a works approval, licence, or registration. For further guidance, refer to Guideline: Decision making and Guideline: Industry Regulation Guide to Licensing .	☐ Yes – application reference (if known): [] ☐ No – a valid works approval applies: [] ☐ No – a valid licence applies: [] ☐ No – a valid registration applies: [] ☐ No – not required
Water licences and permits (<i>Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914</i>)	
Have you applied or do you intend to apply for: 1. a licence or amendment to a licence to take water (surface water or groundwater); or	☐ Yes – application reference (if known): [] ☐ No – a current valid licence applies: []

Part 5: Other DWER approvals	
2. a licence or amendment to a licence to construct wells (including bores and soaks); or 3. a permit or amendment to a permit to interfere with the bed and banks of a watercourse? For further guidance on water licences and permits under the <i>Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914</i>, refer to the Procedure: Water licences and permits.	☐ N/A

Part 6: Surveys for Assessments (ISA)		
Do you wish to submit marine or biodiversity surveys in support of your application?	☒ Yes	
	☐ No – skip to Part 7	
Biodiversity and marine surveys submitted to support this application must be submitted via Environment Online and follow the Procedure – Preparing Data Packages for the - Index of Surveys for Assessments (ISA) at https://environmentonline.dwer.wa.gov.au/article/?code=KA-00081#/ and https://environmentonline.dwer.wa.gov.au/article/?code=KA-00098 If these requirements are not met, DWER / DMPE (as applicable) may decline to deal with the application. Please provide the ISA number(s) and/or any relevant existing IBSA/IMSA numbers in the space provided. Please note DWER/DMPE will suspend the assessment timeframes for your application until the biodiversity surveys are accepted by ISA.	All biodiversity and marine surveys that support this application have been submitted to ISA via Environment Online	Yes ☒
	ISA number(s) (e.g. <i>ISA-0001234</i>) IBSA/IMSA number(s) (e.g. <i>IBSA-2020-0123</i> or <i>IMSA-2020-0123</i>) Please list all numbers. If space is inadequate, list on a separate sheet.	IBSA-2023-0524

Part 7: Records kept under the existing clearing permit's conditions			
Most clearing permits include one or more conditions requiring that the permit holder keep certain records relating to the actions undertaken in accordance with the clearing permit. DWER / DMPE (as applicable) requires that these records are provided to support the assessment of this application. Records provided should cover: - the full period of the permit; - or - the past five years (if the existing permit's duration is greater than five years and it was amended within the past five years).	The required records are attached.		Yes ☒
	Please select the relevant records included with the report. Only records required to be kept by the conditions of the existing clearing permit need to be provided.		
	☒	The total amount, location(s), and date(s) of clearing done under the permit (or within the past five years).	
	☒	Actions taken to avoid or minimise the impact and extent of clearing.	
	☒	Actions taken in relation to flora and/or fauna management.	
	☐	Actions taken to revegetate or rehabilitate the areas cleared under the permit.	
	☐	Records pertaining to any onsite or offsite environmental offsets.	
Any other relevant records required to be kept by the conditions of the permit.			

Part 7: Records kept under the existing clearing permit's conditions			
	☐	Summarise other records:	

Part 8: Prescribed fee

Fees are payable to the:

- **DWER** for all clearing purposes other than mineral and petroleum activities

OR

- **DMPE** for mineral and petroleum clearing activities under the *Mining Act 1978*, various Petroleum Acts, or State Agreement Acts.

DWER will only accept fees paid via either:

- DWER's BPoint system, accessible online at: www.dwer.wa.gov.au/make-a-payment, or
- secure EFT payment

Please include in the description the full name of permit holder

DMPE will only accept fees paid via secure credit card payment, through [Resources Online](#).

Do not send cash in the mail.

The prescribed fee is to be paid at the time of submitting the application form.

Please indicate the clearing permit application fee that you are paying.

For further guidance, refer to DWER's online [clearing fees frequently asked questions](#).

AREA PERMIT
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\$50 to alter the requirements of an area permit, or to increase the area covered by an area permit by less than one hectare.

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\$100 to increase the area covered by an area permit by between one hectare and 10 hectares.

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\$200 to increase the area covered by an area permit by more than 10 hectares.

PURPOSE PERMIT
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\$200 to alter any requirement of a purpose permit.

Payment method (mark applicable box):

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(DWER) Secure credit card payment through [BPoint](#)

See www.dwer.wa.gov.au/make-a-payment

Note: Biller Code is '1222355 Clearing Regulation'

Receipt number:

Date of payment:

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(DWER) Secure EFT payment

See <https://dwer.wa.gov.au/make-a-payment> for payment details.

State the name of the intended permit holder clearly in the EFT payment subject.

Date of payment

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(DMPE) Secure credit card payment online via [Resources Online](#).

Please note: All DMPE applications will be paid online and submitted within Resources Online. Please save this application form, along with any supporting documents, and have them ready for submission. Use the link above to log in to Resources Online to submit your application and payment.

An automated receipt will be issued upon submission and successful payment only. Please ensure this receipt is saved for your records.

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Part 9: Application checklist		
Additional information to assist in the assessment of your proposed clearing may be attached to this application – e.g. reports on salinity, fauna, or flora studies, or other environmental reports conducted for the site. This information may be included in electronic format on a suitable portable digital storage device or posted with your hard copy form.	Please ensure you have included the following as part of your application:	
	REQUIRED	☒ Payment of the prescribed fee.
		☒ An aerial photograph or map with a north arrow clearly identifying the areas of vegetation proposed to be cleared or ESRI shapefile.
		☒ A report with the records required to be kept in accordance with the current clearing permit's conditions has been provided in Part 7.
		☒ An index of all documentation attached to this application.
	AS REQUIRED	☐ Copy of the certificate of title or pastoral lease.
		☒ A copy of the written authorisation permitting the applicant to act on behalf of the current clearing permit holder.
		☐ Written authority from the landowner to access the land and conduct the clearing.
		☐ <i>Form Annex C7 – Assessment bilateral agreement</i> if the clearing is also to be assessed under an EPBC Act accredited process.
		☐ Appendix A of the <i>Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure</i> guideline if the application includes a proposal for clearing permit offsets.
		☒ ISA number has been provided in Part 6.
	ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING INFORMATION	☐ Photos of application area
		☐ Biodiversity and marine surveys, submitted in accordance with the requirements of the Procedure – Preparing Data Packages for the Index of Surveys for Assessment Procedure - .

Part 10: Commercially sensitive or confidential information		
Information submitted as part of this application will be made publicly available. If you wish to submit commercially sensitive or confidential information, please identify the information in Attachment 1, and include a written statement of reasons why you request each item of information be kept confidential. DWER and DMPE will take reasonable steps under Part 3 of the <i>Environmental Protection (Clearing of Native Vegetation) Regulations 2004</i> (the Clearing Regulations) to protect confidential material and/or otherwise sensitive information (such as information of a kind listed under regulation 13 of the Clearing Regulations). However, please note that DWER and DMPE cannot commit to redacting all personal information from all supporting documents. You are advised to ensure that all personal information, including signatures, are removed from supporting documents before you submit them to the department. Please note in particular that all submitted information may be the subject of an application for release under the <i>Freedom of Information Act 1992</i> (WA). Information submitted later in the application process may also be made publicly available at the discretion of the relevant department. For any commercially sensitive or confidential information, please follow the same process as described above.		
All information which you would propose to be exempt from public disclosure has been separately placed in a redacted version of the application form and its supporting documentation. Note that this is in addition to the unredacted version(s) provided to DWER / DMPE (as applicable) for its assessment. Grounds for claiming exemption in accordance with Schedule 1 to the <i>Freedom of Information Act 1992</i> must be specified in Attachment 1 (located at the end of this form).	Attached ☐	N/A ☒

Part 11: Submission of application	
Check one of the boxes below to nominate how you will submit your application. Files larger than 50MB cannot be received via email by DWER. The DMPE Resources Online portal can accept 1GB for each attachment and files larger than 45MB cannot be received via email. Alternatively, email DWER or DMPE (as applicable) to make other arrangements. If you have any enquiries regarding the provision of relevant information as part of this application, contact either DWER or DMPE (as applicable), using the details below.	
(DWER only) A signed, electronic copy of the application form, including all attachments, has been submitted via the applicable email address specified below; OR	☐
(DWER only) A signed, electronic copy of the application form has been submitted via the applicable email address specified below, and attachments have been submitted via File Transfer, or electronically by other means as arranged with the relevant department; OR	☐
(DWER only) A full, signed hard copy has been sent to the applicable postal address specified below. OR	☐
(DMPE only) A signed electronic copy of the application form, payment and any supporting documentation has been saved and uploaded to Resources Online . ☒	
Department of Water and Environmental Regulation Applications to amend clearing permits granted by DWER, or the former Department of Environmental Regulation or former Department of Environment and Conservation, may be submitted via email or post to: Email: info@dwer.wa.gov.au Post: Department of Water and Environmental Regulation Locked Bag 10 Joondalup DC WA 6919 If you have any questions regarding lodgement of your application, please contact DWER via: Email: info@dwer.wa.gov.au Phone: 6364 7000 For more information: www.dwer.wa.gov.au	Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration Applications to amend clearing permits granted by DMPE, or the former Department of Mines and Petroleum or the former Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety or the former Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (under delegation), can be lodged online via Resources Online. If you have any questions regarding lodgement of your application, please contact DMPE via: Email: nvab@dmpe.wa.gov.au Phone: 9222 3535 For more information: www.wa.gov.au/DMPE
Please retain a copy of this form for your records. Incomplete applications will be declined in accordance with section 51KA(3) of the EP Act.	
If there is insufficient space on any part of this form, please continue on a separate sheet of paper and attach to this form	

Part 12: Declaration and signature**General**

I / We declare and acknowledge that:

- the information I / we have provided in this form is true and correct
- I / we have legal authority to sign on behalf of the applicant (where authorisation provided)
- I / we have been authorised to make this form by the owner of the land (as applicable)
- I / we have not altered the requirements and instructions set out in this form
- I / we have provided a valid email address in Part 3 for receipt of correspondence via email from DWER or DMPE (as applicable) in relation to this form
- successful delivery to my / our server constitutes receipt of correspondence and service of any statutory notices or instruments, and
- giving or causing to be given information that to my knowledge is false or misleading is an offence under section 112 of the EP Act and may incur a penalty of up to \$100,000.

Publication

I / We declare and/or acknowledge:

- this application (including all attachments apart from the sections identified in Attachment 1) is a public document and may be published
- biodiversity and marine surveys provided in accordance with Part 6 will be published and used, for the purposes of the ISA project, in accordance with your declaration made in the ISA Data Licence Statement or IBSA/IMSA Metadata and Licensing Statement
- all necessary consents for the publication of information have been obtained from third parties
- the specification of the information identified in Attachment 1 constitutes a written request under regulation 11(2) of the Clearing Regulations to not publish that information due to its confidential or otherwise sensitive nature
- subsequent information provided to DWER or DMPE (as applicable) in relation to this form will be a public document and will be published under regulation 8A of the Clearing Regulations, unless accompanied by a further written request under regulation 11(2) by the referrer or applicant that that information be treated as confidential, and
- in accordance with the requirements of regulations 11 and 12 of the Clearing Regulations, DWER or DMPE (as applicable) must refrain from publishing bank account details or confidential material (as defined under regulation 11(1) of the Clearing Regulations), and
- DWER or DMPE (as applicable) may refrain from publishing:
 - certain otherwise sensitive information identified in Part 12, if satisfied it is desirable to not publish due to the confidential nature of the information, and
 - personal information or certain otherwise sensitive information listed under regulation 13 of the Clearing Regulations.

Please indicate if you are signing as an individual or a company:

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An individual. If an individual landowner is applying, **all landowners** must sign this form.

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A company.

Company name:

Focus Operations Pty Ltd

ACN:

115 821 255

A person expressly authorised or authorised to execute on behalf of a body corporate must sign this form. A company must be a legal entity and provide an ACN. Please note an Australian Business Number is not sufficient.

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Other entity formed at law.

Provide details:



Signature

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Name

Director – Focus Operations Pty Ltd

Position

14/07/2026

Date

Signature

Name

Position

Date

ATTACHMENT 1 – Confidential or Commercially Sensitive Information

Request for exemption from publication			
Information which you consider should not be published, on the grounds of a relevant exemption found in Schedule 1 to the <i>Freedom of Information Act 1992 (WA)</i> , available here , must be specified in this Attachment. Add additional rows as required.			
NOT FOR PUBLICATION IF GROUNDS FOR EXEMPTION ARE DETERMINED TO BE ACCEPTABLE			
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_____ Full Name _____ Signature _____ Date			

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