



## CLEARING PERMIT

*Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986*

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| <b>Purpose Permit number:</b> | 11031/2                                   |
| <b>Duration of Permit:</b>    | From 11 November 2025 to 10 November 2033 |
| <b>Permit Holder:</b>         | Process Minerals International Pty Ltd    |

The Permit Holder is authorised to clear native vegetation subject to the following conditions of this Permit.

### **PART I – CLEARING AUTHORISED**

**1. Land on which clearing is to be done**

Mining Lease 47/1592  
Miscellaneous Licence 47/1008

**2. Clearing authorised (purpose)**

The Permit Holder is authorised to clear native vegetation for the purpose of mineral production and associated activities.

**3. Area of clearing**

The Permit Holder must not clear more than 638.4 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1.

**4. Time of clearing**

The Permit Holder shall not clear any native vegetation after 10 November 2030.

**5. Directional clearing**

The Permit Holder shall:

- (a) conduct all clearing authorised under this permit in one direction towards adjacent vegetation; and
- (b) allow a reasonable time for fauna present within the area being cleared to move into that adjacent native vegetation ahead of the clearing activity.

### **PART II – MANAGEMENT CONDITIONS**

**6. Avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing**

In determining the amount of native vegetation 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.

## 7. Weed control

When undertaking any clearing or other activity authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the 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 or *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.

## 8. Watercourse management

- (a) where practicable the Permit Holder shall avoid clearing *riparian vegetation*; and
- (b) where a *watercourse* or *drainage line* is to be impacted by clearing, the Permit Holder shall ensure that the existing surface flow is maintained, or reinstated downstream into existing natural *drainage lines*.

## 9. Vegetation management

When undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder must ensure to implement the management measures and monitoring set out within the file ‘CPS 11031/1 – Mineral Resources Limited - Flora and Vegetation Management Plan’, as retained on the Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration File Number DMS05366/2025 as Object Id A97998031, unless a more recent version of the plan is approved by the *CEO*.

## 10. Fauna management

When undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder must ensure to implement the management measures and monitoring set out within the file ‘CPS 11031/1 – Mineral Resources Limited – Significant Fauna Management Plan’, as retained on the Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration File Number DMS05366/2025 as Object Id A97998116, unless a more recent version of the plan is approved by the *CEO*.

## 11. Surface water management

When undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder must ensure to implement the management measures and monitoring set out within the file ‘CPS 11031/1 – Mineral Resources Limited – Surface Water Management Plan’, as retained on the Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration File Number DMS05366/2025 as Object Id A97998167, unless a more recent version of the plan is approved by the *CEO*.

## 12. Offset– Monetary contribution to the *Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund*

- (a) The permit holder must contribute funds to the *Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund* in accordance with the approved *Offset Proposal*, for the purpose of establishing and maintaining native vegetation, to counterbalance the significant residual impacts to:
  - (i) 55.6 hectares of critical habitat for northern quoll (any foraging and dispersal habitat within a one kilometre buffer of denning habitat);
  - (ii) 167.3 hectares of supporting habitat for northern quoll (any foraging and dispersal habitat outside of the areas defined as critical habitat);
  - (iii) 638.4 hectares of supporting habitat for ghost bat (foraging and dispersal habitats within 12 kilometres of critical habitat that is outside of the areas defined as critical habitat); and
  - (iv) 161.3 hectares of supporting habitat for Pilbara olive python (foraging and dispersal habitat).
- (b) Within 24 months of clearing commencing within the area cross-hatched yellow on Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the permit holder must contribute to the *Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund* with the amount calculated based on the area of clearing (in hectares) undertaken in those 24 months, in accordance with the rates outlined in condition 12(d) and in accordance with condition 12(e).
- (c) The permit holder must contribute to the *Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund*, once every 24 months, for the term of this permit or until no further clearing is required within the area cross-hatched yellow

on Figure 1 of Schedule 1, with the amount calculated based on the area of clearing (in hectares) undertaken in those 24 months, in accordance with the rates outlined in condition 12(d) and subject to condition 12(e) for subsequent financial years.

(d) Calculated on the 2025-2026 financial year, the contribution rates are:

- (i) \$2,031 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare of critical habitat for northern quoll (any foraging and dispersal habitat within a one kilometre buffer of denning habitat) cleared within the Hamersley *IBRA* subregion;
- (ii) \$1,016 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare habitat for northern quoll (any foraging and dispersal habitat outside of the areas defined as critical habitat) cleared within the Hamersley *IBRA* subregion;
- (iii) \$1,016 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare habitat for ghost bat (foraging and dispersal habitats within 12 kilometres of critical habitat that is outside of the areas defined as critical habitat) cleared within the Hamersley *IBRA* subregion; and
- (iv) \$1,016 AUD (excluding GST) per hectare habitat for Pilbara olive python (foraging and dispersal habitat) cleared within the Hamersley *IBRA* subregion.

(e) The rates in condition 12(d) change annually each subsequent financial year in accordance with the percentage change in the *CPI* applicable to that financial year.

### **PART III – RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING**

#### **13. Records to 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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| 1.  | In relation to the authorised clearing activities generally                                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the location where the clearing occurred, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees;</li> <li>(b) the date that the area was cleared;</li> <li>(c) the size of the area cleared (in hectares);</li> <li>(d) actions taken in accordance with Condition 5;</li> <li>(e) actions taken to avoid, minimise, and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing in accordance with Condition 6;</li> <li>(f) actions taken to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of <i>weeds</i> in accordance with Condition 7;</li> <li>(g) actions taken in accordance with Condition 8;</li> <li>(h) actions taken in accordance with Condition 9;</li> <li>(i) actions taken in accordance with Condition 10; and</li> <li>(j) actions taken in accordance with Condition 11.</li> </ul> |
| 2.  | In relation to the <i>Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund offset</i> in pursuant to condition 12. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) the location where the clearing occurred per financial year, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to GDA2020, expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings;</li> <li>(b) the size of the northern quoll critical habitat, northern quoll supporting habitat, ghost bat supporting habitat, and Pilbara olive python supporting habitat cleared (in hectares) per year;</li> <li>(c) the date(s) on which the area of the northern quoll critical</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

| No. | Relevant matter | Specifications                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
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|     |                 | <p>habitat, northern quoll supporting habitat, ghost bat supporting habitat, and Pilbara olive python supporting habitat were cleared per year;</p> <p>(d) the boundaries of the area of northern quoll critical habitat, northern quoll supporting habitat, ghost bat supporting habitat, and Pilbara olive python supporting habitat cleared per year, (recorded digitally as a shapefile); and</p> <p>(e) evidence of contributions made to the <i>Pilbara Environmental Offsets Fund</i> every two years, including invoices and receipts of payment.</p> |

#### 14. Reporting

- (a) The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the *CEO* by 31 July each year for the life of this Permit, demonstrating adherence to all conditions of this Permit, and setting out the records required under Condition 13 of this Permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 July and 30 June of the previous financial year.
- (b) If no clearing authorised under this Permit was undertaken between 1 July and 30 June of the previous financial year, a written report confirming that no clearing under this permit has been carried out, must be provided to the *CEO* by 31 July of each year.
- (c) The permit holder may seek approval from the *CEO* to cease the requirement to provide an annual written report to the *CEO*, of records required to be kept under Condition 13, if clearing of the area cross-hatched yellow on Figure 1 of Schedule 1 has been completed.
- (d) Prior to 10 November 2033, the Permit Holder must provide to the *CEO* a written report of records required under Condition 13 of this Permit where these records have not already been provided under Condition 14(a) or 14(b) of this Permit.

#### DEFINITIONS

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

**Table 2: Definitions**

| Term            | Definition                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| CEO             | the Chief Executive Officer of the Department responsible for administering the clearing provisions contained within the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> or an Officer with delegated authority under Section 20 of the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> . |
| clearing        | has the meaning given under section 3(1) of the EP Act.                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| condition/s     | a condition to which this clearing permit is subject under section 51H of the EP Act.                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| CPI             | means the All Groups Consumer Price Index numbers for Perth, compiled and published by the Australian Bureau of Statistics.                                                                                                                                                 |
| 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.                                                                |
| drainage line/s | means a natural depression that carries surface water runoff.                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| EP Act          | <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> (WA)                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| fill            | means material used to increase the ground level, or to fill a depression.                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| IBRA            | means Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation for Australia                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 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.                                                                                                                                       |

| Term                              | Definition                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| native vegetation                 | has the meaning given under section 3(1) and section 51A of the EP Act.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| offset                            | means an offset as described in the Government of Western Australia's <i>Environmental Offsets Policy, September 2011</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| offset proposal                   | means a documented plan that addresses the principles outlined the Government of Western Australia's <i>Environmental Offsets Policy, September 2011</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Pilbara Environmental Offset Fund | means a special purpose account created pursuant to section 16(1)(d) of the <i>Financial Management Act 2006</i> by the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation.                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| riparian vegetation               | has the meaning given to it in Regulation 3 of the Environmental Protection (Clearing of Native Vegetation) Regulation 2004.                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| watercourse                       | has the meaning given to it in section 3 of the <i>Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914</i> .                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| weed/s                            | means any plant –<br>(a) that is a declared pest under section 22 of the <i>Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007</i> ; or<br>(b) published in a Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions species-led ecological impact and invasiveness ranking summary, regardless of ranking; or<br>(c) not indigenous to the area concerned. |

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## END OF CONDITIONS

*Danielle Risbey*

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 08 October 2026

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

**SCHEDULE 1**

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

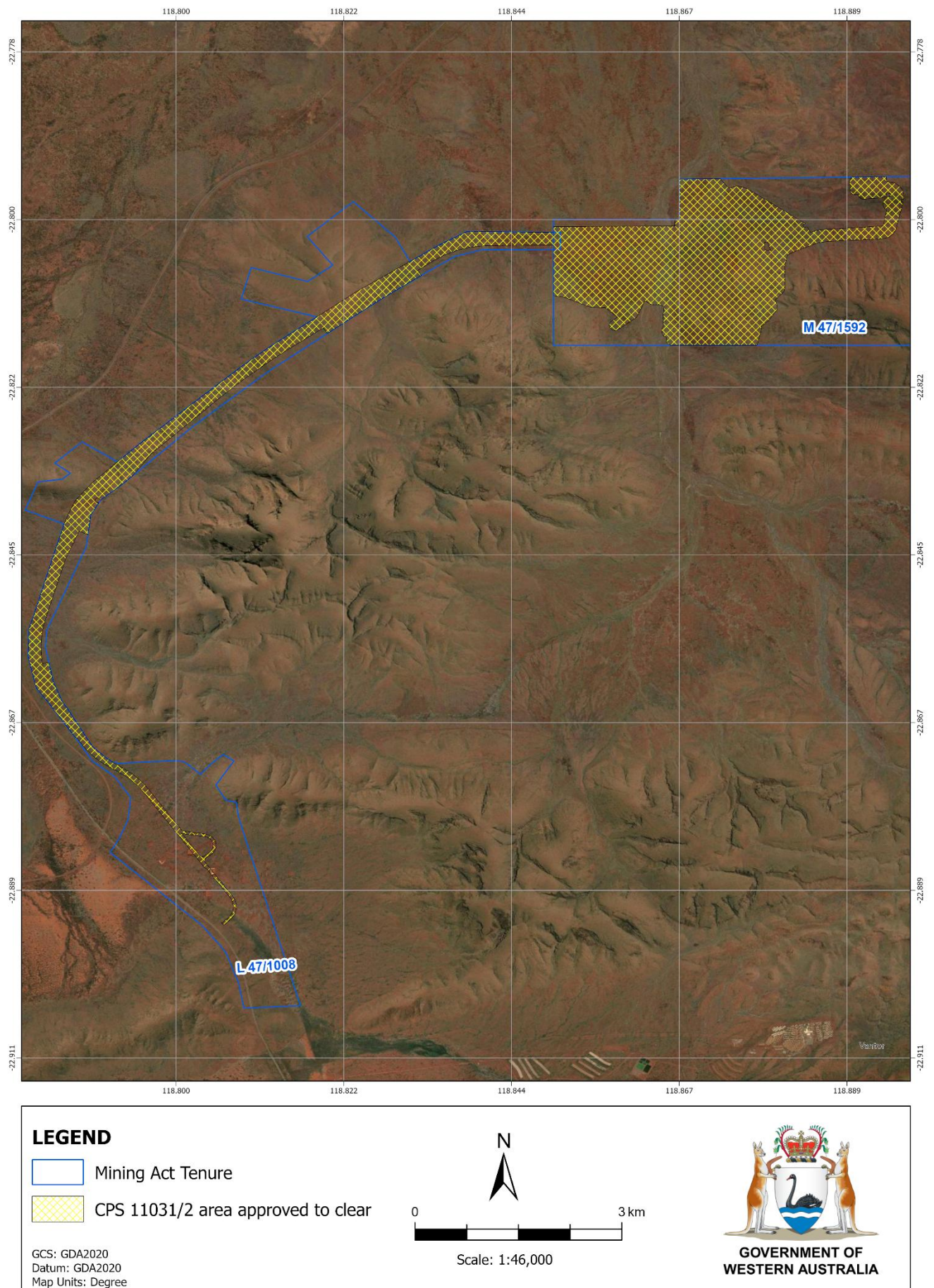


**Figure 1: Map of the boundary of the area within which clearing may occur.**