



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number: 1112 / 1

File Number: A0377/200601

Duration of Permit: From 23 September 2006 to 23 February 2007

PERMIT HOLDER

Chevron Australia Pty Ltd

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

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AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

1. Clearing of up to 1.25 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched in yellow on attached Plan 1112/1 for the purpose of petroleum pipeline installation.

CONDITIONS

1. The Permit Holder shall record the following for each instance of clearing:
 - (a) The location where clearing occurred, expressed as grid coordinates using the Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 coordinate system;
 - (b) The area cleared in hectares;
 - (c) The method of clearing; and
 - (d) The purpose of clearing.
2. The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Director, Environment, DoIR, by 30 September 2007 setting out the records required under Condition 1 of this permit in relation to clearing carried out between 23 September 2006 and 23 January 2007.
3. The Permit Holder shall record the information collected under Condition 1 of this permit in the Chevron Barrow Island Geographic Information System Environmental Sensitivity Mapping Database by 30 June 2007.
4. When undertaking any clearing pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder shall utilise existing cleared or previously disturbed areas of vegetation in preference to undisturbed areas of vegetation within the area cross-hatched in yellow on the attached Plan 1112/1.
5. When undertaking any vegetation clearing pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder shall only use the following methods: (i) driving an off-road vehicle over vegetation; (ii) cutting of tall vegetation where required; (iii) laying of pipe on the surface of vegetation; and (iv) drilling of holes for required pipe supports.
6. When undertaking any vegetation clearing pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder shall wherever possible avoid access by vehicle, those areas designated by an Environmental Specialist, or designated on the Chevron Barrow Island Geographic Information System Environmental Sensitivity Mapping Database, as having an environmental sensitivity classification of Category 1 or 2. In these areas, management of vegetation disturbance shall be in accordance with the definitions of Category 1 and Category 2 provided in this Permit.
7. Any deviations to the proposed western or northern pipeline alignment options specified in '*RPS Bowman Bishaw Gorham (2006) Barrow Island Oilfield Perentie South Pipeline Route Purpose Permit Application Section 51E Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA): Supporting Documentation*', will be surveyed by an Environmental Specialist prior to clearing that is pursuant to this Permit. The Environmental Specialist will assess the results of surveys and ensure that any deviations to the proposed alignments: (a) incorporate previously disturbed areas to the extent practicable; and (b) will be located so as to minimise the amount and impacts of clearing within the permitted area in accordance with the requirements of '*Chevron (2006) ASBU Barrow Island Vegetation Management Plan Version 2.0, 26 July 2006*'.

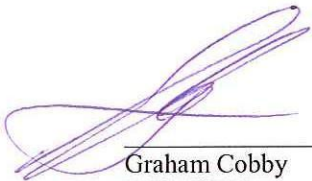
8. When undertaking any clearing pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder shall not clear within 50 m of Boodie *Bettongia leseuer* warrens within the area cross-hatched in yellow on the attached Plan 1112/1.
9. When undertaking any clearing pursuant to this Permit, the Permit Holder shall not remove termite mounds within the area cross-hatched in yellow on the attached Plan 1112/1.

Definitions

Environmental Specialist: means a person who is employed by the Permit Holder and who has an environmental qualification, diploma or degree and a capability, to identify flora and fauna habitat of conservation significance, and assess environmental impacts of the Permit Holder's activities.

Category 1: Presumption against clearing. Operation in these areas will be avoided to the extent practicable. Exceptions only on specific approval of Chevron Environmental Team Leader following botanical survey of area to ensure that no Priority flora, restricted vegetation or vegetation comprising important fauna habitat significantly affected.

Category 2: Offroad vehicle access restricted to existing tracks or previously disturbed areas (eg seismic lines, tracks). Disturbance to topsoil or rootstock avoided. No blading will occur outside hardstand areas although localised slashing may be permitted at the discretion of the Environmental Specialist (or delegate). No slashing of Priority Flora or Restricted species identified in Appendix B of 'Chevron (2006) ASBU Barrow Island Vegetation Management Plan Version 2.0, 26 July 2006' will be undertaken. Areas of potential disturbance subject to botanical survey to ensure that no Priority flora, restricted vegetation or vegetation comprising important fauna habitat significantly affected.



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24 August 2006