



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Purpose Permit number:	11159/1
Duration of Permit:	From 28 August 2025 to 27 August 2030
Permit Holder:	97992001 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

Exploration Licence 69/3401

2. Clearing authorised (purpose)

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

3. Area of clearing

The Permit Holder must not clear more than 27 hectares of native vegetation within the areas shaded yellow, red and purple in Figure 1 of Schedule 1.

4. 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

5. 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.

6. 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 *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. Vegetation 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.

8. Flora Management

Where the *priority flora* have been identified and their written locations, provided to the *CEO*, within the report as retained on Department of Mines, Petroleum and Environment file DMS09248/2025: ‘Western Botanical (2024) Dante Project Targeted Flora and Vegetation Assessment. Report prepared for Terra Metals Limited by Western Botanical, November 2024’ as Object ID A94388303, the Permit Holder shall ensure that:

- (a) no clearing of identified *Stackhousia clementii* or *Tephrosia* sp. Central (P.K. Latz), unless first approved by the *CEO*;
- (b) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified *Stackhousia clementii* or *Tephrosia* sp. Central (P.K. Latz), unless first approved by the *CEO*;
- (c) no clearing of more than 5 individuals of identified *Amaranthus centralis*, unless first approved by the *CEO*;
- (d) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of more than 5 individuals of identified *Amaranthus centralis*, unless first approved by the *CEO*;
- (e) no clearing of more than 20 individuals of identified *Menkea lutea*, unless first approved by the *CEO*;
- (f) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of more than 20 individuals of identified *Menkea lutea*, unless first approved by the *CEO*;
- (g) no clearing of more than 50 individuals of identified *Euphorbia parvicaruncula*, unless first approved by the *CEO*; and
- (h) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of more than 50 individuals of identified *Euphorbia parvicaruncula*, unless first approved by the *CEO*.

9. Flora management – pre-clearance survey

- (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit within the areas shaded red or purple on Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the permit holder shall engage a *botanist*, to conduct a *targeted flora survey* of the areas proposed to be cleared for the presence of *threatened flora* and *priority flora*, in accordance with *EPA Technical Guidance*.
- (b) Where *threatened flora* is identified under condition 9(a), the permit holder must not cause or allow:
 - (i) clearing within 50 metres of the identified *threatened flora*; unless approved by the *CEO*; and

- (ii) clearing of the identified *threatened flora*, unless approved by the *CEO*.
- (c) Where *priority flora* is identified under condition 9(a), the permit holder must not cause or allow:
 - (i) clearing within 10 metres of the identified *priority flora*, unless approved by the *CEO*; and
 - (ii) clearing of the identified *priority flora*, unless approved by the *CEO*.
- (d) Where *threatened flora* or *priority flora* are identified under condition 9(a) of this permit, the permit holder must include the following in a report submitted to the *CEO* within three months of undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit:
 - (i) the species name of each *threatened flora* and *priority flora* individual(s) identified under condition 9(a);
 - (ii) the number of individuals identified;
 - (iii) the date each individual was identified;
 - (iv) the location of each *threatened flora* and *priority flora*, identified under condition 9(a), either as the location of individual plants, or where this is not practical, the areal extent of the population and an estimate of the number of plants, 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;
 - (v) the name of the *botanist* that undertook clearance surveys under condition 9(a) of this permit; and
 - (vi) the methodology used to survey the permit area.

10. Fauna Management

- (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this permit within the areas shaded purple on Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the Permit Holder shall engage a *fauna specialist* to conduct a fauna survey of the Permit Area to identify *critical habitat* being utilised by the fauna species listed below:
 - (i) bilby (*Macrotis lagotis*).
 - (ii) brush-tailed mulgara (*Dasycercus blythi*);
 - (iii) great desert skink (*Liopholis kintorei*);
 - (iv) long-tailed dunnart (*Antechinomys longicaudatus*);
 - (v) night parrot (*Pezoporus occidentalis*); and
 - (vi) woma (*Aspidites ramsayi*).
- (b) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder shall provide the results of the *fauna survey* in a report to the *CEO*.
- (c) The *fauna survey* report must include the following:
 - (i) the location of the *critical habitat* recorded 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) the name of each fauna species identified;
 - (iii) the methodology, used to survey the Permit Area and to establish the *critical habitat*;
 - (iv) the extent of the *critical habitat* of the identified fauna shown on a map; and
 - (v) a description of the *critical habitat* of fauna found.
- (d) Where fauna are identified under condition 10(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that:
 - (i) no clearing of *critical habitat* of the identified fauna occurs, unless first approved by the *CEO*; and
 - (ii) no taking of identified fauna occurs, unless first approved by the *CEO*.

11. Fauna management (Southern whiteface)

Where clearing authorised under this Permit is to occur between 1 July and 31 October, the Permit Holder shall:

- (a) Within two weeks prior to undertaking any clearing, engage a *fauna specialist* to conduct an inspection of the area to be cleared to identify *active (in use) Southern whiteface (Aphelocephala leucopsis) nests*.
- (b) Where an *active (in use) Southern whiteface (Aphelocephala leucopsis) nest* is identified under Condition 11(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that no clearing occurs within 250 metres of the nest, during the months of July through to October, unless first approved by the *CEO*.

PART III – RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING

12. 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
1.	In relation to the authorised clearing activities generally	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(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;(b) the date that the area was cleared;(c) the size of the area cleared (in hectares);(d) actions taken in accordance with Condition 4;(e) actions taken to avoid, minimise, and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing in accordance with Condition 5;(f) actions taken to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of <i>weeds</i> in accordance with Condition 6;(g) actions taken in accordance with Condition 7;(h) actions taken in accordance with Condition 9; and(i) actions taken in accordance with Condition 10.
2.	In relation to flora management pursuant to Condition 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) locations of <i>priority flora</i> cleared 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;(b) actions taken to demarcate <i>priority flora</i> individuals recorded and their relevant buffers; and(c) actions taken to avoid the clearing of <i>priority flora</i>.
3.	In relation to fauna management pursuant to Condition 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) the location of each <i>active (in use) Southern whiteface (Aphelocephala leucopsis) nest</i>, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum of Australia 2020 (GDA2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees;(b) actions taken to demarcate each <i>active (in use) Southern whiteface (Aphelocephala leucopsis) nest</i> recorded and their relevant buffers; and(c) actions taken to avoid the clearing of <i>active (in use) Southern whiteface (Aphelocephala leucopsis) nests</i>.

13. Reporting

- (a) The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the *CEO* by 30 June each year for the life of this Permit, demonstrating adherence to all conditions of this Permit, and setting out the records required under

Condition 12 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 30 June of each year.
- (c) Prior to 27 August 2030, 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 13(a) or 13(b) of this Permit.

DEFINITIONS

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

Table 2: Definitions

Term	Definition
active (in use) Southern whiteface	nest means a nest with evidence of current Southern whiteface (<i>Aphelocephala leucopsis</i>) activity, such as fresh nesting material (grass, bark and roots), a breeding pair, eggs, or hatchlings.
botanist	means a person who holds a tertiary qualification in environmental science or equivalent, and has a minimum of 2 years work experience in identification and surveys of flora native to the bioregion being inspected or surveyed, or who is approved by the <i>CEO</i> as a suitable <i>botanist</i> for the bioregion.
CEO	the Chief Executive Officer of the Department responsible for administering the clearing provisions contained within the <i>Environmental Protection Act 19116</i> or an Officer with delegated authority under Section 20 of the <i>Environmental Protection Act 19116</i> .
clearance surveys	means a search of immediate impact areas prior to clearing to locate fauna. The clearance survey should focus on locating burrows, recent foraging signs, fresh tracks and scats.
clearing	has the meaning given under section 3(1) of the EP Act.
critical habitat	means any part of the Permit Area comprising of the habitat of flora or fauna species and its population, that is critical for the health and long term survival of the flora or fauna species and its population;
condition/s	a condition to which this clearing permit is subject under section 51H of the EP Act.
drainage line	means a natural depression that carries surface water runoff.
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.
environmental specialist	means a person who holds a tertiary qualification in environmental science or equivalent, and has experience relevant to the type of environmental advice that an environmental specialist is required to provide under this Permit, or who is approved by the <i>CEO</i> as a suitable environmental specialist.
EP Act	<i>Environmental Protection Act 19116</i> (WA).
EPA Technical Guidance	means Environmental Protection Authority (2016), <i>Technical Guidance - Flora and Vegetation Surveys for Environmental Impact Assessment</i> , EPA, Western Australia.
fauna survey	means a field-based investigation, including a review of established literature, of the biodiversity of fauna and/or fauna habitat of the Permit Area. Where conservation significant fauna are identified in the Permit Area, the survey should also include sufficient surrounding areas to place the Permit Area into local context
fauna specialist	means a person who holds a tertiary qualification specialising in environmental science or equivalent, and has a minimum of 2 years work experience in fauna identification and surveys of fauna native to the region being inspected or surveyed, or who is approved by the <i>CEO</i> as a suitable fauna specialist for the bioregion, and

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	who holds a valid fauna licence issued under the <i>Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016</i> .
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.
occupied	means currently utilised, or where uncertainty exists, <i>potentially occupied</i> , by the greater bilby (<i>Macrotis lagotis</i>).
priority flora	means those plant taxa described as priority flora classes 1, 2, 3, or 4 in the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions' Threatened and Priority Flora List for Western Australia (as amended).
riparian vegetation	has the meaning given to it in Regulation 3 of the Environmental Protection (Clearing of Native Vegetation) Regulation 2004.
targeted flora survey	means a field-based investigation, including a review of established literature, of the biodiversity of flora and vegetation of the Permit Area, focusing on habitat suitable for flora species that are being targeted and carried out during the optimal time to identify those species. Where target flora are identified in the Permit Area, the survey should also include sufficient surrounding areas to place the Permit Area into local context.
threatened flora	means those plant taxa listed as threatened flora under the <i>Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016</i> .
watercourse	has the meaning given to it in section 3 of the <i>Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914</i> .

END OF CONDITIONS

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of the *Environmental Protection Act 1916*

SCHEDULE 1

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

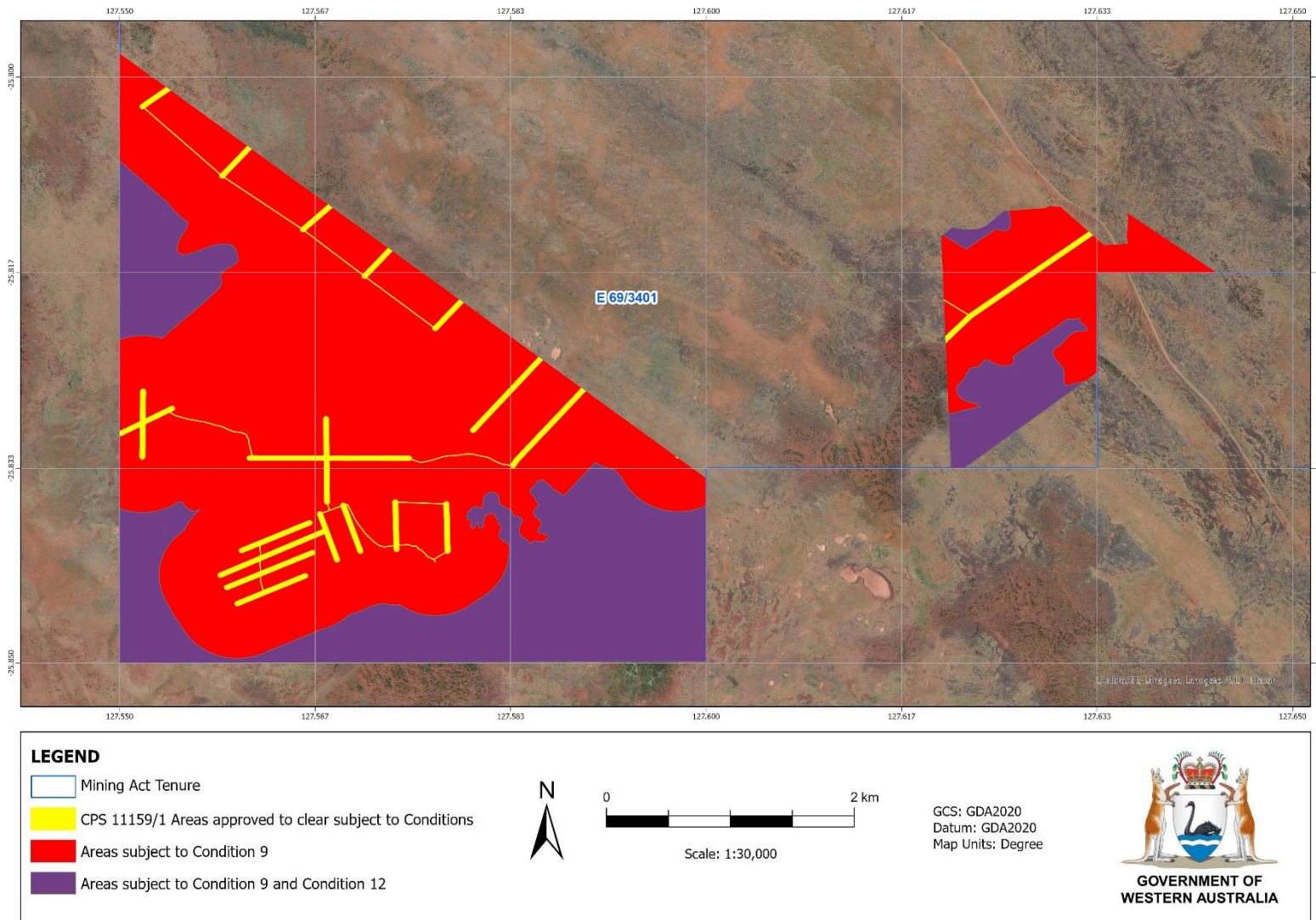


Figure 1: Map of the boundary of the area within which clearing may occur.