



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Purpose permit number:	11560/1
Duration of permit:	17 October 2026 to 16 October 2031
Permit holder:	Caprice Resources 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 21/66
Mining Lease 21/140

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 350 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1.

PART II – MANAGEMENT CONDITIONS

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. Vegetation management

- (a) where practicable the permit holder shall avoid clearing *riparian vegetation*; and
- (b) where a *drainage line* or *wetland* 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*.

7. Flora management

- (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder shall engage a *botanist* to conduct a *targeted flora survey* of the Permit Area for the presence of *Angianthus uniflorus* and *Minuria* sp. Murchison (T. Lowrey 1713).
- (b) Where *Angianthus uniflorus* and *Minuria* sp. Murchison (T. Lowrey 1713) is identified in relation to condition 11(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that:
 - (i) prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder shall provide the results of the *targeted flora survey* in a report to the CEO; and
 - (ii) no clearing of identified *Angianthus uniflorus* and *Minuria* sp. Murchison (T. Lowrey 1713) occurs and no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified *Angianthus uniflorus* and *Minuria* sp. Murchison (T. Lowrey 1713).

8. Fauna management – West Coast Mulga Slider (*Lerista eupoda*)

- (a) Within two weeks prior to clearing within the area cross-hatched yellow in Figure 1 of Schedule 1, the permit holder shall engage a *fauna specialist* to undertake *clearance surveys* for *Lerista eupoda* (west coast mulga slider).
- (b) Where any west coast mulga slider are identified under condition 8(a), the permit holder shall engage a *fauna specialist* to relocate any individuals prior to undertaking clearing.
- (c) Where any west coast mulga slider are identified and relocated under condition 8(a) and 8(b) of this permit, the permit holder shall include the following in a report submitted to the CEO:
 - (i) the location of any evidence of west coast mulga slider 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;
 - (ii) the type of evidence recorded under condition 8(c)(i) e.g. fauna individuals, shelter, scats, tracks;
 - (iii) the location and date where any west coast mulga slider were relocated 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;
 - (iv) the name of the *fauna specialist* that relocated west coast mulga slider under condition 8(b); and
 - (v) a copy of the fauna licence authorising the relocation of west coast mulga slider under condition 8(b).

PART III – RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING

9. 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	(a) the location where the clearing occurred, 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) the date that the area was cleared; (c) the size of the area cleared (in hectares); (d) actions taken to avoid, minimise, and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing in accordance with condition 4; (e) actions taken to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of <i>weeds</i> in accordance with condition 5; and (f) actions taken in accordance with condition 6.

No.	Relevant matter	Specifications
2.	In relation to flora management pursuant to condition 7	(a) the location of each <i>Angianthus uniflorus</i> and <i>Minuria</i> sp. Murchison (T. Lowrey 1713) individual, 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) actions taken to demarcate each <i>Angianthus uniflorus</i> and <i>Minuria</i> sp. Murchison (T. Lowrey 1713) individuals recorded and their relevant buffers; and (c) actions taken to avoid the clearing of <i>Angianthus uniflorus</i> and <i>Minuria</i> sp. Murchison (T. Lowrey 1713).
3.	In relation to fauna management (west coast mulga slider) pursuant to condition 8	(a) the location where clearance surveys were undertaken 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) the name of the fauna specialist who undertook the clearance surveys; and (c) records required under condition 8(c).

10. Reporting

- The permit holder must provide a written 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 9 of this permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 July and 30 June of the previous financial year.
- 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.
- Prior to 16 October 2031, the permit holder must provide to the *CEO* a written report of records required under condition 9 of this permit where these records have not already been provided under condition 10(a) or 10(b) of this permit.

DEFINITIONS

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

Table 2: Definitions

Term	Definition
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	means 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.
clearance surveys	means a search of immediate impact areas prior to clearing to locate fauna. The clearance survey should focus on locating the evidence of the target fauna.
condition(s)	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.

Term	Definition
drainage line(s)	means a natural depression that carries surface water runoff.
EP Act	<i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> (WA)
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 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.
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) Regulations 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.
weed(s)	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.
wetland(s)	means an area of seasonally, intermittently or permanently waterlogged or inundated land, whether natural or otherwise, and includes a lake, swamp, marsh, spring, dampland, tidal flat or estuary.

END OF CONDITIONS

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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).

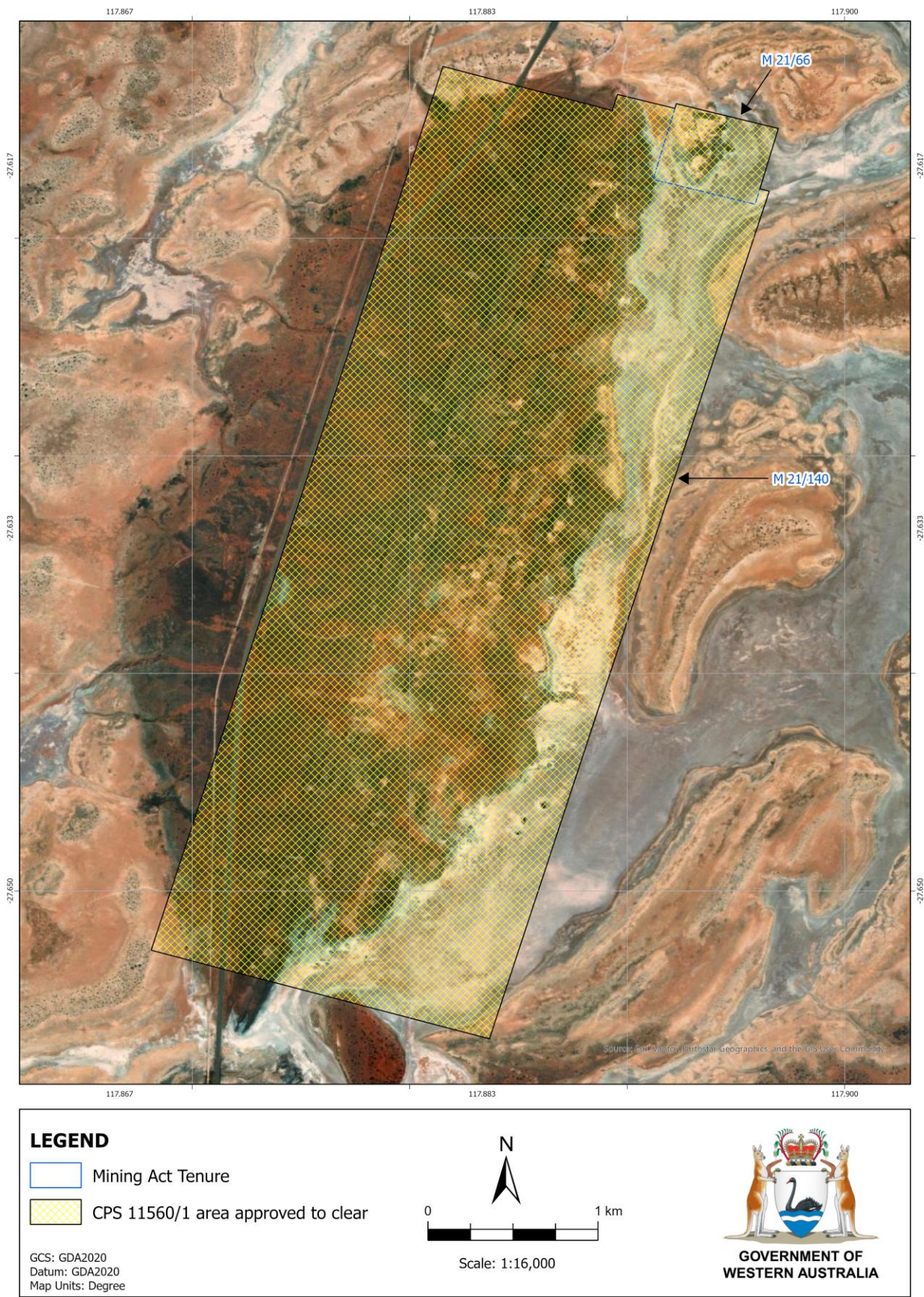


Figure 1: Map of the boundary of the area within which clearing may occur.