

# **CLEARING PERMIT**

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

CPS 1552/1

Permit holder: Purpose of clearing:	Shire of Wiluna Clearing of up to 3 hectares of native vegetation for extractive industry.
Shire:	Wiluna
Duration of permit:	5 February 2007 – 5 February 2012
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## PART I - CLEARING AUTHORISED

## 1. Clearing authorised

- (a) One gravel pit within Lot 4 on Plan 238538, clearing no more than 1 hectare within area solid filled yellow on attached Plan 1552/1a;
- (b) One gravel pit within Lot 4 on Plan 238538, clearing no more than 1 hectare within area solid filled yellow on attached Plan 1552/1b;
- (c) One gravel pit within Lot 4 on Plan 238538, clearing no more than 1 hectare within area solid filled yellow on attached Plan 1552/1c.

## 2. Application

This Permit allows the permit holder to authorise persons, including employees, contractors and agents of the permit holder, to clear *native vegetation* for the purposes of this Permit subject to compliance with the conditions of this Permit and approval from the Permit Holder.

## 3. Compliance with Assessment Sequence and Management Procedures

Prior to clearing any native vegetation under condition 1 of this Permit, the permit holder must comply with the Assessment Sequence and the Management Procedures set out in Part II of this Permit.

## PART II - ASSESSMENT SEQUENCE AND MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES

#### 4. Avoid, minimise etc clearing

- (a) In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared for the purposes of extractive industry the Permit Holder must have regard to the following principles, set out in order of preference:
  - (i) avoid the clearing of native vegetation;
  - (ii) minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and
  - (iii) reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.

### 5. Revegetation

- (a) The Permit Holder shall retain the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing in accordance with this Permit.
- (b) Within one month of the area no longer being required for the purpose of gravel extraction the permit holder must revegetate the area by:
  - (i) Laying vegetative material and topsoil retained in accordance with condition 5(a) on the area.
- (c) Prior to undertaking works pursuant to condition 5(b)(i) the permit holder shall rip pit floor and contour batters within the gravel extraction site.

#### PART III - RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING

## 6. Records must be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit, as relevant:

- (a) In relation to the *clearing* of *native vegetation* undertaken pursuant to condition 1:
  - (i) the location where the clearing occurred, recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
  - (ii) the date that the area was cleared; and
  - (iii) the size of the area cleared (in hectares).
- (b) In relation to the *revegetation* of areas pursuant to condition 5:
  - (i) The location of any area revegetated recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
  - (ii) A description of the revegetation activities undertaken; and
  - (iii) The size of the area revegetated (in hectares).

#### 7. Reporting

The Permit Holder must provide to the *CEO*, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of records requested under condition 6 and activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.

#### 8. Definitions

The following meanings are given to terms used in this Permit:

**CEO** means the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Environment;

*clearing* has the meaning given to it in section 51A of the *Environmental Protection Act* 1986;

**EP** Act means the Environmental Protection Act 1986;

native vegetation has the meaning given to it in sections 3 and 51A of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 and regulation 4 of the Environmental Protection (Clearing of Native Vegetation) Regulations 2004;

revegetation means the re-establishment of a cover of native vegetation in an area such that the species composition, structure and density is similar to pre-clearing vegetation types in that area, and can involve regeneration, direct seeding and/or planting;

A/Director General

Department of Environment and Conservation.

Officer delegated under Section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

5 January 2007