



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number: 1621 / 2

File Number: A2480/200601

Duration of Permit: From 06 September 2007 to 05 May 2008

PERMIT HOLDER

BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

State Agreement Act, Mining Lease 244SA (AML 70/244)

State Agreement Act, Mining Lease 266SA (AM 70/266)

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

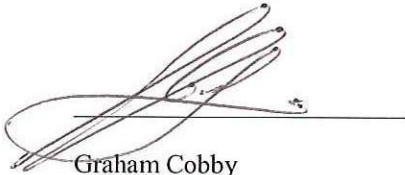
1. Clearing of up to 31.3 hectares of native vegetation for the purpose of mineral production, within the area cross hatched yellow on attached Plan 1621/2.

CONDITIONS

- 1 The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Director, Environment, Department of Industry and Resources by 30 September of each year setting out the records required under Condition 2 of this Permit in relation to clearing carried out in the previous year. This report can be included as an addendum to an Annual Environmental Report
- 2 The Permit Holder shall record the following for each instance of clearing:
 - a) the location where the clearing occurred, expressed as grid coordinates using the Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 coordinate system;
 - b) the size of the area cleared in hectares;
 - c) the method of clearing;
 - d) the purpose of clearing;
 - e) the area rehabilitated in hectares and
 - f) the dates on which the area was cleared
- 3 The Permit Holder shall ensure that the clearing is undertaken in accordance with the following procedures:
 - a) culverts are to be designed and constructed to minimise the amount of upstream ponding and the need for outlet drains;
 - b) culvert size is to be capable of withstanding seasonal flows;
 - c) where the potential for erosion is high, appropriate methods for erosion control are to be used (such as rip rap rock protection and reno mattresses);
 - d) erosion on access tracks to be prevented by careful and erosion-proof construction;
 - e) cleared vegetation and topsoil is to be stockpiled away from water courses, with appropriate bunding;
 - f) erosion around infrastructure is to be minimised by reduced clearing and constructing adequate drainage and bunding;
 - g) regular inspections of drainage structures and erosion control measures are to be carried out as soon as possible after periods of heavy rainfall to ensure they are maintained and remain effective.

Explanatory Note:

- 1 In this Permit Annual Environmental Report means a report produced as a requirement of the *Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964*

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Graham Cobby
DIRECTOR
ENVIRONMENT DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES

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

6 September 2007