



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number: 2056 / 1

File Number: DEC4221

Duration of Permit: From 14 March 2008 – 14 March 2013

PERMIT HOLDER

Goldfields Mine Management Pty Ltd

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

LOT 11 ON PLAN 48932 (FEYSVILLE 6431)

PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE CLEARING MAY BE DONE

Clearing for the purposes of mineral exploration and extending the waste rock dump.

CONDITIONS

1. Clearing of up to 13.5 hectares within the area cross-hatch yellow on attached Plan 2056/1.
2. Avoid minimise etc clearing

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:

- (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.
3. Revegetation
 - (a) The Permit Holder shall retain the vegetative material and topsoil removed by clearing authorised under this Permit.
 - (b) Within six months of any area no longer being required for the purpose of exploration the Permit Holder must *revegetate* the area permitted to be cleared by:
 - (i) Deliberately planting and/or seeding native vegetation that will result in a similar species composition, structure and density of native vegetation to pre-clearing vegetation types in that area;
 - (ii) Ensuring only local provenance seeds and propagating material from within 20 km of the area cleared are used to revegetate the area; and
 - (iii) Laying vegetative material and topsoil retained in accordance with condition 3(a) on the area.
 - (c) Within one year of undertaking *revegetation* in accordance with condition 3(b), the Permit Holder must:
 - (i) Determine the species composition, structure and density of the area *revegetated*; and
 - (ii) Where, in the opinion of an *environmental specialist*, revegetation does not provide adequate stabilisation of surface soils, undertake additional planting or seeding of native vegetation in accordance with the requirements of condition 3(b)(i) and (ii).

4. Records must be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit in relation to the revegetation of areas pursuant to condition 3:

- (a) The commencement date of *revegetation*;
- (b) The location of any area *revegetated* recorded using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
- (c) A description of the *revegetation* activities undertaken; and
- (d) The size of the area *revegetated* (in hectares).

5. 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 4 and activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.

DEFINITIONS

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

environmental specialist means a person who is engaged by the permit holder for the purpose of providing environmental advice, 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; and

revegetate, revegetated and 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;



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