

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number: 2073/2 File Number: A1430/200701

Duration of Permit: From 13 March 2008 to 31 December 2011

PERMIT HOLDER

BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

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

PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE CLEARING MAY BE DONE

1. Clearing for the purposes of Mineral Exploration.

CONDITIONS

- 1. The Permit Holder must not clear more than 150 hectares of native vegetation. All clearing must be within the areas cross hatched yellow or shaded red on attached Plan 2073/2.
- 2. The Permit Holder shall record the following for each instance of clearing:
 - i) the location of where the clearing occurred, expressed as grid coordinates using the Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 coordinate system;
 - ii) the size of the area cleared in hectares;
 - iii) the dates on which the area was cleared;
 - iv) the area rehabilitated in hectares;
 - v) the method of clearing; and
 - vi) the purpose of clearing.
- 3. When undertaking any clearing, revegetation and rehabilitation, or other activity pursuant to this Permit the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds:
 - i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
 - ii) ensure that no weed-affected road building materials, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and
 - iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.
- 4. The Permit Holder shall stockpile all topsoil and native vegetation cleared under this permit for use in rehabilitation.
- 5. For each instance of clearing recorded under condition 2, the Permit Holder shall, within six months of the completion of exploration activities, rehabilitate all cleared areas by re-shaping the surface so that it is consistent with the surrounding 5 metres of uncleared land, and re-spreading the topsoil and vegetative material stockpiled under condition 4 over each cleared area.
- 6. The Permit Holder shall not clear within the area shaded red on attached Plan 2073/2 without prior written approval from the Director, Environment Division, Department of Industry and Resources.

- 7. The Permit Holder shall implement surface water management and erosion control measures to minimise potential erosion and sedimentation within the areas approved to clear, and adjacent areas. Such measures could include, but are not limited to:
 - i) sediment traps;
 - ii) floodways;
 - iii) guide bunds;
 - iv) longitudinal table drains; and
 - v) diversion banks.

8. The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Director, Environment Division, Department of Industry and Resources by 1st September each year for the life of this permit, demonstrating adherence to all conditions of this permit, and setting out the records required under Condition 2 of this permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1st January and 31 December of the previous year. This report can be included as part of the Annual Environmental Report submitted to the Department of Industry and Resources.

Graham Cobby

DIRECTOR

ENVIRONMENT DIVISION

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES

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

13 March 2008