

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 2176 / 1 File Number: A1748/200701

Duration of Permit: From 12 July 2008 to 14 November 2011

PERMIT HOLDER

Peter Scott Connolly

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Mining Lease 04/208 Mining Lease 04/209

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

1. Clearing of up to 13 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross hatched yellow on attached Plan CPS 2176/1.

CONDITIONS

Weed Management

- 1. 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 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) avoid the movement of soil in wet conditions; and
 - (iii) ensure that no weed-infected *road building materials*, *mulches* or *fill* are brought into an area that is not affected by *weeds*.

Erosion Management and Rehabilitation

- 2. The Permit Holder shall not clear native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on Plan 2176/1 within the months of December, January, February and March for the life of this permit.
- 3. The Permit Holder must stockpile all native vegetation cleared under this permit for use in rehabilitation in accordance with condition 4. Cleared native vegetation must be stockpiled in an area that has already been cleared.
- 4. For each instance of clearing recorded under condition 5, the Permit Holder must, within 6 months of the completion of mineral sand production, rehabilitate all cleared areas by re-shaping the surface of each cleared area, and re-spreading the topsoil and vegetative material stockpiled under condition 3 over each cleared area.

Record Keeping

- 5. 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.

Reporting

6. The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Director, Environment Division, Department of Industry and Resources by 14 November each year for the life of this permit, demonstrating adherence to all conditions of this permit, and setting out the records required under Condition 5 of this permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 July and 30 June of the previous financial year.

Definitions

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

fill means material used to increase the ground level, or fill a hollow.

mulch means the use of organic matter, woodchips or rocks to slow the movement of water across the soil surface and to reduce evaporation.

road building materials means rock, gravel, soil, stone, timber, boulders and water.

weed means a species listed in Appendix 3 of the "Environmental Weed Strategy" published by the Department of Conservation and Land Management (1999), and plants declared under section 37 of the *Agricultural and Related Resources Protection Act 1976*.

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DIRECTOR

ENVIRONMENT DIVISION

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES

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

12 June 2008