



## CLEARING PERMIT

*Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA) (CI)*

### PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number: 2300 / 2

File Number: DEC6103

Duration of Permit: From 28 April 2008 to 28 April 2013

### PERMIT HOLDER

Phosphate Resources Ltd

### LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

ML102

ML106

ML110

ML115

ML116

ML123

ML126

ML127

### PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE CLEARING MAY BE DONE

1. Clearing for the purposes of exploration drilling.

### CONDITIONS

1. The Permit Holder must not clear more than 7.885 ha of native vegetation, within the areas hatched yellow on attached Plan 2300/2a, 2300/2b, 2300/2c, 2300/2d and 2300/2e.

2. Clearing for the purpose of this permit shall not exceed 10m in width.

3. Avoid, minimise etc clearing

In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared for the purpose of exploration drilling, 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.

4. Weed control

- (a) When undertaking any clearing, 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) ensure that no *weed*-affected *road building materials, mulch* or *fill* are brought into an area that is not affected by *weeds*; and
  - (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.
- (b) At least once in each 12 month period for the *term* of this Permit, the Permit Holder must remove or kill any *weeds* growing within areas cleared under this Permit.

5. 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 laying vegetative material and topsoil retained in accordance with condition 3(a) on the area.

6. Records must be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit, as relevant in relation to the clearing of native vegetation undertaken pursuant to the purpose of clearing:

- (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).

7. Reporting

The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of records required under condition 6 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:

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

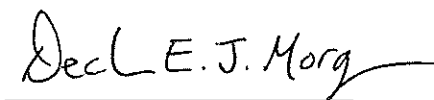
*mulch* means the use of organic matter, wood chips or rocks to slow the movement of water across the soil surface and to reduce evaporation;

*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;

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

*term* means the duration of this Permit, including as amended or renewed;

*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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