



GOVERNMENT OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number: 2444 / 1
File Number: A0633/200801
Duration of Permit: From 5 July 2008 to 31 March 2013

PERMIT HOLDER

Hamersley Iron Pty Ltd

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Iron Ore (Hamersley Range) Agreement Act 1963, Mineral Lease 4SA (AML70/4)

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 20.42 hectares of native vegetation. All clearing must be within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 2444/1.

Guiding Principles

2. Avoid, minimise etc clearing
In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared for the purpose of mineral exploration, 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.

Flora Management

3. The Permit Holder shall not clear any native vegetation within the area shaded red on attached Plan 2444/1.

Fauna Management

4. The Permit Holder shall not clear within 10 metres of any active Western Pebble-mound Mouse (*Pseudomys chapmani*) mound.

Weed Management

5. 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:

- (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
- (b) ensure that no weed-affected road building materials, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and
- (c) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.

Rehabilitation

6. For each instance of clearing recorded under Condition 7, the Permit Holder shall, within 6 months of the completion of the activity for which the area was cleared, rehabilitate all cleared areas by re-shaping the surface of each cleared area using the topsoil removed during the clearing, so that the shape of the surface of the rehabilitated area is consistent with the shape of the surrounding 5 metres of uncleared land.

Recording and Reporting Areas Cleared

7. The Permit Holder shall record the following for each instance of clearing:
 - (a) the location where clearing occurred, expressed as grid coordinates using the Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994 coordinate system;
 - (b) the area cleared in hectares;
 - (c) the dates cleared;
 - (d) the area rehabilitated; and
 - (e) the dates rehabilitated.
8. The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Director, Environment, Department of Industry and Resources by 31 March each year for the life of the Permit, demonstrating adherence to all Conditions of this permit and setting out the records required under Condition 7 of this permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 April and 31 March the previous year.



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

5 June 2008