



GOVERNMENT OF  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## CLEARING PERMIT

*Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986*

### PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number: 2524 / 1  
File Number: A0937/200801  
Duration of Permit: From 30 August 2008 to 31 March 2012

### PERMIT HOLDER

Hamersley Iron Pty Ltd

### LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Miscellaneous License 47/206

### PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE CLEARING MAY BE DONE

1. Clearing for the purposes of Airport Construction.

### CONDITIONS

1. The Permit Holder must not clear more than 260 hectares of native vegetation. All clearing must be within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 2524/1.

### Guiding Principles

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

### Weed Management

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*:
  - (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.

### Surface Water Management

4. The Permit holder shall not allow surface water to flow beyond the limits of cleared areas, without that surface water first passing through a constructed *sediment trap*.

### Record Keeping

5. 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; and
  - (d) the purpose of clearing.

## Reporting

6. 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 the permit and setting out the records required under Condition 5 of this permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 January and 31 December the previous 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, 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.

*Sediment trap* means an engineered device to slow the passage of water to allow water-borne sediments to fall out of suspension.



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