

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number: 2526 / 1 File Number: A0939/200801

Duration of Permit: From 16 August 2008 to 31 July 2009

PERMIT HOLDER

Robe River Pty Ltd

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Mineral Lease 248SA (AML70/248)

Iron Ore (Cleveland Cliffs) Agreement Act 1964

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 52 hectares of native vegetation. All clearing must be within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 2526/1.

Guiding Principles

- 2. 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:
 - (i) Avoid the clearing of native vegetation;
 - (ii) Minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and
 - (iii) 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:
 - (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.

Rehabilitation

- 4. The Permit Holder shall stockpile all topsoil cleared under this Permit for use in rehabilitation.
- 5. For each instance of clearing, 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.

Record Keeping

- 6. 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 purpose of clearing; and
 - (v) the method of clearing.

Reporting

7. The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Director, Environment Division, Department of Industry and Resources by 31 July each year for the life of this permit, demonstrating adherence to all conditions of this permit, and setting out the records required under condition 6 of this permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 July and 30 June of the previous financial year.

Kim Anderson

A/DIRECTOR

ENVIRONMENT DIVISION

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES

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

17 July 2008