



CLEARING PERMIT
Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Purpose permit number:	CPS 2602/1
Permit holder:	BHP Billiton Nickel West Pty Ltd
Purpose of clearing:	Expansion of the Kalgoorlie Nickel Smelter
Shire:	Kalgoorlie-Boulder
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The permit holder is authorised to clear native vegetation for the above stated purposes, subject to the conditions of this Permit.

PART I – CLEARING AUTHORISED

1. **Land on which clearing is to be done**
LOT 100 ON PLAN 212288 (FEYSVILLE 6431)
2. **Area of Clearing**
The permit holder must not clear more than 15 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross hatched yellow on attached plan 2602/1.
3. **Application**
This Permit allows the permit holder to authorise persons, including employees, contractors and agents of the permit holder, to clear native vegetation for the purposes of this Permit subject to compliance with the conditions of this Permit and approval from the Permit Holder.
4. **Compliance with Assessment Sequence and Management Procedures**
Prior to clearing any native vegetation under conditions 1 and 2 of this Permit, the permit holder must comply with the Assessment Sequence and the Management Procedures set out in Part II of this Permit.

PART II – ASSESSMENT SEQUENCE AND MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES

5. **Avoid, minimise etc clearing**
In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared for the purpose of road upgrades, 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.
6. **Vegetation Management**
The Permit Holder shall not clear native vegetation within 30 metres of the *riparian vegetation* of any *watercourse* or *wetland* within the area cross-hatched yellow on Plan 2602/1.

PART III - RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING

7. **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 condition 1:
 - (a) The location where the clearing occurred, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 1994 (GDA94), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings;
 - (b) The date that the area was cleared; and

(c) The size of the area cleared (in hectares).

8. Reporting

- (a) The Permit Holder must provide to the CEO, on or before 30 June of each year, a written report of records required under condition 7 and activities done by the Permit Holder under this Permit between 1 January and 31 December of the preceding year.
- (b) Prior to 18 July 2013, the permit holder must provide to the CEO a written report of records required under condition 7 where these records have not already been provided under condition 8(a).

9. Definitions

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

riparian vegetation has the meaning given to it in Regulation 3 of the Environmental Protection (Clearing of Native Vegetation) Regulations 2004;

watercourse has the meaning given to it in section 3 of the *Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914*;

wetland/s means an area of seasonally, intermittently or permanently waterlogged or inundated land, whether natural or otherwise, and includes a lake, swamp, marsh, spring, dampland, tidal flat or estuary.



Kelly Faulkner
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