

# CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

# PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number:

2690/1

File Number:

A1339/200801

**Duration of Permit:** 

From 22 November 2008 to 22 May 2009

#### PERMIT HOLDER

Wesfarmers Premier Coal Limited

#### LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Collie Coal (Western Collieries) Agreement Act 1979, Mining Lease 262SA (AM 70/262)

### **AUTHORISED ACTIVITY**

1. Clearing of up to 1.7 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 2690/1

## CONDITIONS

## Dieback and Weed Control

- 1. When undertaking any clearing or other activity authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of *weeds* and *dieback*:
  - (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
  - (ii) shall not move soils in wet conditions;
  - (iii) ensure that no *dieback* or weed-affected soil, *mulch*, *fill* or road building materials is brought into the area to be cleared; and
  - (iv) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.

# Fauna Management

- 2. (i) Prior to each instance of clearing within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 2690/1, the area shall be inspected by a *fauna specialist* who shall identify trees that contain hollows suitable to be utilised as habitat by fauna listed in the *Wildlife Conservation (Specially Protected Fauna) Notice 2008*;
  - (ii) Any habitat identified under Condition 2 (i) shall be inspected by a *fauna specialist* to determine whether it is being utilised by fauna listed in the *Wildlife Conservation (Specially Protected Fauna) Notice 2008*;
  - (iii) The Permit Holder shall ensure that any fauna identified in Condition 2 (ii) shall be removed and relocated by a *fauna clearing person*.

# Record Keeping

- 3. 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

4. The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Director, Environment Division, Department of Industry and Resources by 22 May 2009, demonstrating adherence to all conditions of this permit, and setting out the records required under Condition 3 of this permit in relation to clearing carried out between 22 November 2008 and 22 May 2009.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

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

dieback means the effect of Phytophthora species on native vegetation;

fauna clearing person means a person who has obtained a licence from the Department of Environment and Conservation, issued pursuant to the *Wildlife Conservation Regulations 1970* (as amended) authorising them to take fauna in order to carry out the approved clearing associated with this permit;

fauna specialist means a person with training and specific work experience in fauna identification or faunal assemblage surveys of Western Australian fauna;

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;

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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DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES

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

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