

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Purpose Permit number: 2866/3

Duration of Permit: From 14 March 2009 to 31 March 2020

Permit Holder: Victor Michael Caruso

The Permit Holder is authorised to clear native vegetation subject to the following conditions of this Permit.

PART I - CLEARING AUTHORISED

1. Land on which clearing is to be done

Mining Lease 21/66

2. Purpose for which clearing may be done

Clearing for the purpose of mineral production and associated activities.

Area of Clearing

The Permit Holder must not clear more than 10 hectares of native vegetation. All clearing must be within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 2866/3.

4. 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.

PART II - MANAGEMENT CONDITIONS

5. Avoid, minimise etc clearing

In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared authorised under this Permit, 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.

PART III - RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING

6. Records to be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit:

In relation to the clearing of native vegetation authorised under this Permit:

- (i) 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 or decimal degrees;
- (ii) the date that the area was cleared:
- (iii) the size of the area cleared (in hectares); and
- (iv) purpose for which clearing was undertaken.

7. Reporting

- (a) The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Director Operations, Resource and Environmental Compliance Division, Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety by 31 March 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 January and 31 December of the previous calendar year.
- (b) Prior to 31 March 2020, the Permit Holder must provide to the Director Operations, Resource and Environmental Compliance Division, Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety a written report of records required under Condition 6 of this Permit where these records have not already been provided under Condition 7(a) of this Permit.

Daniel Endacott | Acting Director Operations Environmental Compliance 29 March 2018

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