



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number: 3399/3
File Number: A0182/201501
Duration of Permit: From 13 February 2010 to 12 February 2025

PERMIT HOLDER

Karara Mining Limited

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

General Purpose Lease 59/38

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

Clearing of up to 67 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 3399/3.

CONDITIONS

1. Weed control

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*:

- (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 soil, *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.

2. Fauna Management

(a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the area(s) shall be inspected by a *fauna specialist* who shall identify habitat/*habitat tree(s)* suitable to be utilised by the fauna species listed below:

- (i) Western Spiny-tailed Skink (*Egernia stokesii badia*)

(b) Prior to clearing, any habitat/*habitat tree(s)* identified by Condition 2(a) shall be inspected by a *fauna specialist* for the presence of fauna listed in Condition 2(a)(i).

(c) Prior to clearing, the Permit Holder shall ensure that any fauna identified by Condition 2(b) shall be removed and relocated by a *fauna specialist*.

3. Records to be kept

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

(a) 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) the purpose for which the clearing was undertaken.

(b) actions taken to minimise the introduction and spread of *weeds* in accordance with Condition 1 of this Permit.

4. Reporting

- (a) The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the General Manager Environmental Compliance, Resource and Environmental Compliance Division, Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety by 13 February each year for the life of this Permit, 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 1 January and 31 December of the previous calendar year.
- (b) Prior to 12 February 2025, the Permit Holder must provide to the General Manager Environmental Compliance, Resource and Environmental Compliance Division, Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety a written report of records required under Condition 3 of this Permit where these records have not already been provided under Condition 4(a) of this Permit.

DEFINITIONS

The following meanings are given to terms in this Permit:

CEO means the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation or an officer with delegated authority under Section 20 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*;

fauna specialist means a person who holds a tertiary qualification specialising in environmental science or equivalent, and has a minimum of 2 years work experience in fauna identification and surveys of fauna native to the region being inspected or surveyed, or who is approved by the *CEO* as a suitable fauna specialist for the bioregion, and who holds a valid fauna licence issued under the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016*;

fill means material used to increase the ground level, or fill a hollow;

habitat tree means trees that have a diameter, measured at 1.5 metres from the base of the tree, of 50 centimetres or greater, that contains or has the potential to develop hollows or roosts suitable for native fauna;

mulch means the use of organic matter, wood chips or rocks to slow the movement of water across the soil surface and to reduce evaporation;

weed/s means any plant -

- (a) that is a declared pest under section 22 of the *Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007*; or
- (b) published in a Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions Regional Weed Rankings Summary, regardless of ranking; or
- (c) not indigenous to the area concerned.



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