

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number:3399/4File Number:A87272088Duration of Permit:From 13 February 2010 to 12 February 2027

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 in Figure 1 of Schedule 1.

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*:

- (a) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
- (b) ensure that no known *weed*-affected soil, *mulch*, *fill* or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and
- (c) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.

2. Avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing

In determining the amount of native vegetation to be cleared under this Permit, the Permit Holder must apply the following principles, set out in descending 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.

3. Fauna Manamgmnet

- 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 3(a) shall be inspected by a *fauna specialist* for the presence of fauna listed in Condition 3(a)(i).
- c) Prior to clearing, the Permit Holder shall ensure that any fauna identified by Condition 3(b) shall be removed and relocated by a *fauna specialist*.

4. Records to be kept

The permit holder must maintain records relating to the listed relevant matters in accordance with the specifications detailed in Table 1.

Table 1: Records that must be kept

No.	Relevant matter	Spec	ifications
1.	In relation to the authorised clearing activities generally	(a)	the location where the clearing occurred, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 2020 (GD2020), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings;
		(b)	the date that the area was cleared;
		(c)	the size of the area cleared (in hectares);
		(d)	actions taken to minimise the introduction and spread of <i>weeds</i> in accordance with Condition 1;
		(e)	actions taken to avoid, minimise, and reduce the impacts and extent of clearing in accordance with Condition 2; and
		(f)	actions taken in accordance with Condition 3.

5. Reporting

- (a) The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the *CEO* 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 4 of this Permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 January and 31 December of the previous calendar year.
- (b) If no clearing authorised under this Permit was undertaken between 1 January and 31 December of the previous calendar year, a written report confirming that no clearing under this permit has been carried out, must be provided to the *CEO* by 13 February of each year.
- (c) Prior to 12 February 2027, the Permit Holder must provide to the *CEO* a written report of records required under Condition 4 of this Permit where these records have not already been provided under Condition 5(a) or 5(b) of this Permit.

DEFINITIONS

In this permit, the terms in Table 2 have the meanings defined.

Table 2: Definitions

Term	Definition
CEO	the Chief Executive Officer of the Department responsible for administering the clearing provisions contained within the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> or an Officer with delegated authority under Section 20 of the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> .
clearing	has the meaning given under section 3(1) of the EP Act.
condition/s	a condition to which this clearing permit is subject under section 51H of the EP Act.
department	means the department established under section 35 of the <i>Public Sector Management Act 1994</i> (WA) and designated as responsible for the administration of the EP Act, which includes Part V Division 3.
EP Act	Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)
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 <i>CEO</i> as a suitable fauna specialist for the bioregion, and who holds a valid fauna licence issued under the <i>Biodiversity Conservation Act</i>

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fill	means material used to increase the ground level, or to fill a depression.		
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.		
native vegetation	has the meaning given under section 3(1) and section 51A of the EP Act.		
weed/s	 means any plant – (a) that is a declared pest under section 22 of the <i>Biosecurity and Agricultu Management Act 2007</i>; or (b) published in a Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attraction species-led ecological impact and invasiveness ranking summar regardless of ranking; or (c) not indigenous to the area concerned. 		

END OF CONDITIONS

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SCHEDULE 1

The boundary of the area authorized to be cleared is shown in the map below (Figure 1).



Figure 1: Map of the boundary of the area within which clearing may occur