



Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER)
Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DMIRS)

Application for an amendment to a clearing permit

Environmental Protection Act 1986, section 51M

FORM C4

Clearing of native vegetation is prohibited in Western Australia except where a clearing permit has been granted or an exemption applies. A person who causes or allows unauthorised clearing commits an offence.

For further information on the stages of assessment for clearing permit applications (including amendments to existing permits), refer to the [Procedure: Native vegetation clearing permits](#) on DWER's website.

CPS No.

Date stamp

Part 1: Assessment bilateral agreement

If the amendment of a clearing permit will or is likely to impact on a matter of national environmental significance identified under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth) (EPBC Act) the original application must have been assessed in accordance with the bilateral assessment, and a variation under the EPBC Act is required prior to submitting this amendment application form.

To be assessed in this manner, the proposed clearing action must be referred to the Commonwealth under the EPBC Act and deemed a '[controlled action](#)' prior to submitting this application form.

Further information is located in *Form Annex C7* and *A guide to native vegetation clearing processes under the Assessment bilateral agreement* available at www.der.wa.gov.au/our-work/clearing-permits.

Do you want your proposed clearing action assessed in accordance with, or under, an EPBC Act Accredited Process such as the assessment bilateral agreement?

Yes EPBC number: _____

No Proceed to Part 2

List the controlling provisions identified in the notification of the controlled action decision.

Form Annex C7 is complete and the required supporting information is attached.

Part 2: Clearing permit details

Amendments can only be made to active clearing permits.

Applications must be made more than 90 working days prior to the existing permit expiring to ensure there is adequate time to assess the amendment.

Permit number for existing clearing permit CPS 3934/4

Permit holder's name (as it appears on the existing clearing permit) Saracen Gold Mines Pty Ltd (ACN 116 649 122)

FILE REFERENCE

Permit expiry date: 31 January 2024

Mark this box if there are less than 90 working days until the expiry of the existing permit.

Part 3: Applicant																							
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<p>To apply for an amendment to a permit you must be the current holder of the existing permit.</p> <p>Include Australian Company Number (ACN) if the proposed permit holder is a body corporate or other entity formed at law.</p>	<p>Are you applying as an individual, a company or incorporated body? Enter details for one only.</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 15%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">An individual</td> <td style="width: 15%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Title</td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Mr</td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Mrs</td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Ms</td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Other:</td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Name/s</td> <td colspan="8"></td> </tr> </table> <p>OR</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 40%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">A body corporate or other entity formed at law (include ACN)</td> <td style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Northern Star (Carosue Dam) Pty Ltd (ACN 116 649 122)</td> </tr> </table>	An individual	Title	Mr	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ms	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:		Name/s										A body corporate or other entity formed at law (include ACN)	Northern Star (Carosue Dam) Pty Ltd (ACN 116 649 122)
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<p>If applying as a company or incorporated body, please also supply the registered business office address.</p> <p>DWER and DMIRS prefer to send all correspondence electronically via email.</p> <p>We request that you consent to receiving all correspondence relating to instruments and notices under Part V of the EP Act ("Part V documents") electronically via email by indicating your consent in this section of the application form.</p> <p>Where 'yes' is selected, all correspondence from DWER or DMIRS (as applicable) will be sent to you via email, to the email address provided in this section.</p> <p>Where 'no' has been selected, Part V documents will be posted to you in hard copy to the postal/business address you have provided in this section. Other general correspondence may still be sent to you via email.</p>																							
Contact details for enquiries																							
<p>If different from the applicant's contact details, enter the contact details of a person with whom DWER or DMIRS should liaise with concerning this clearing application.</p>																							

Part 4: Proposed amendments	
<p>Additional information to support the assessment of your application to amend may be attached.</p> <p>Please ensure you have included the following as part of your application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a photocopy of the granted clearing permit, with proposed changes highlighted, <i>and</i> payment of the prescribed fee. <p>When providing details of the proposed change(s), if any additional clearing is proposed, include details of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the proposed method of the clearing; the purpose of the clearing; the period within which the clearing is proposed to be undertaken (taking note of the published minimum assessment timeframes for DWER / DMIRS, as applicable); <i>and</i> the final land use. 	<p>Indicate the types of proposed change(s) to your clearing permit by selecting the relevant box(es):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Extend the duration of the clearing permit.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Vary / add / remove a permit condition relating to a matter other than the size or boundary of the area to be cleared.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amend the size of the area permitted to be cleared, or add / remove a land parcel on the clearing permit.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Redescribe the boundary of the area authorised to be cleared <i>[for an area permit only]</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Make a correction to the clearing permit.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other.</p> <p>Provide details of the proposed change(s), and the rationale for it / them.</p> <p>Northern Star wishes to increase the boundary of Purpose Permit 3934/4 and increase the amount of clearing by 70ha, for a total of 300.35ha under this permit. The amended boundary will increase the permit area by 194.1ha. This new boundary and clearing total will accommodate mine designs approved in the most recent environmental group site Mining Proposal for the Porphyry Project (RegID96583). Timing of clearing will align with the planned mining schedule. Cleared areas will be rehabilitated in line with the approved closure plan with a final land use being predominantly pastoral.</p> <p><i>Attachment A includes a copy of the granted clearing permit with proposed changes highlighted.</i></p> <p><i>Attachment B shows the proposed changes to Plan 3934/4.</i></p>
	<p>For an application to amend the size of the area permitted to be cleared, or add a land parcel to the clearing permit, you must have the authority of the landowner to access the land and undertake the clearing.</p> <p>State the nature of the applicant's authority to access the land to be cleared. Evidence of authority can include e.g. a copy of the certificate of title or a letter of authority signed by the landowner or other person with authority to give legal land access permission.</p> <p><i>[Attach evidence of authority. Note that a letter of authority must explicitly state the applicant has authority to clear on the land.]</i></p> <p>Tenure relevant to this Purpose Permit is 100% owned by Northern Star (Carosue Dam) Pty Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of Northern Star Resources Ltd.</p> <p><i>Attachment C includes the evidence of authority to clear land.</i></p>
	<p>Provide additional property details if required – if applying to extend the size of the area to be cleared into another land parcel.</p> <p>Land description: volume and folio number, lot or location number(s), Crown lease or reserve number, pastoral lease number, or mining tenement number of all properties.</p> <p>M31/3, M31/4, M31/5, M31/6, M31/76, L31/11 & L31/59</p>
	<p>You must provide evidence that avoidance and mitigation options have been pursued to eliminate, reduce or otherwise mitigate the need for, and scale of, the proposed clearing of native vegetation.</p> <p>Have alternatives that would avoid or minimise the need for clearing been considered and applied? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If yes, provide details:</p> <p>With recommencement of the Porphyry Project, the mine design was reviewed to ensure additional activities, wherever possible, use existing disturbed areas. Where this has not been possible, landforms such as the Maingays WRD have been designed with specifications (e.g. 10° batter angles) aimed at increasing the success of rehabilitation and end land use objectives for Pastoral activities. Key stakeholder, Edjudina Pastoral Station was consulted during this process to ensure landform design would satisfy end land use outcomes.</p>
	<p>Refer to DWER's Clearing of native vegetation offsets</p> <p>Do you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal with your application? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>