



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

Purpose Permit number:	4370/3
Duration of Permit:	From 20 August 2011 to 31 August 2031
Permit Holder:	Dumpna Pty Ltd

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 47/1438

2. Purpose for which clearing may be done

Clearing for the purpose of sand mining and associated activities.

3. Area of Clearing

The Permit Holder must not clear more than 40 hectares of native vegetation. All clearing must be within the areas cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 4370/3.

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 and reduce the impacts and extent of 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:

- avoid the clearing of native vegetation;
- minimise the amount of native vegetation to be cleared; and
- reduce the impact of clearing on any environmental value.

6. 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*:

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

7. Staged Clearing

The Permit Holder shall not clear native vegetation unless the purpose for which the clearing is authorised is enacted within three months of the clearing being undertaken.

8. Fauna Management

- (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the area shall be inspected by a *fauna specialist* who shall identify any *habitat tree(s)* or hollow(s) suitable to be utilised by fauna species listed in the *Wildlife Conservation (Specially Protected Fauna) Notice*.
- (b) Where *habitat tree(s)* or hollows are identified in relation to Condition 8(a) of this permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that no clearing occurs within ten metres of the identified *habitat tree(s)* or hollow(s), unless approved by the *CEO*.

9. Flora management

Where *Abutilon* sp. Pritzelianum and *Minuria* sp. nov. have been identified and their written locations provided to the *CEO*, within the report titled 'Yule River Biological Assessment, prepared for Dumpna Pty Ltd by Animal Plant Mineral Pty Ltd, dated March 2011', the Permit Holder shall ensure that:

- (a) no clearing of identified *Abutilon* sp. Pritzelianum and *Minuria* sp. nov. occurs and
- (b) no clearing occurs within ten metres of *Abutilon* sp. Pritzelianum and *Minuria* sp. nov., unless approved by the *CEO*.

PART III - RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING

10. 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) purpose for which clearing was undertaken.
- (b) actions taken to avoid, minimise and reduce the impacts and the extent of clearing in accordance with Condition 5 of this Permit; and
- (c) actions taken to minimise the introduction and spread of *weeds* in accordance with Condition 6 of this Permit.
- (d) actions taken in accordance with Condition 7 of this Permit.
- (e) actions taken in accordance with Condition 8 of this Permit.
- (f) actions taken in accordance with Condition 9 of this Permit.

11. Reporting

- (a) The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the *CEO* by 31 July each year for the life of this Permit, demonstrating adherence to all conditions of this Permit, and setting out the records required under Condition 10 of this Permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 July and 30 June of the previous financial year.
- (b) If no clearing authorised under this Permit was undertaken between 1 July and 30 June of the previous financial year, a written report confirming that no clearing under this permit has been carried out, must be provided to the *CEO* by 31 July of each year.

- (c) Prior to 31 August 2031, the Permit Holder must provide to the *CEO* a written report of records required under Condition 10 of this Permit where these records have not already been provided under Condition 11(a) or 11(b) of this Permit.

DEFINITIONS

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

CEO means the Chief Executive Officer of the Department responsible for administering the clearing provisions contained within the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* 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;

Wildlife Conservation (Specially Protected Fauna) Notice means those fauna taxa gazetted as threatened fauna pursuant to section 19(1) of the *Biodiversity Conservation Act 2016* (as amended).

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