



CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number: 4626/1

File Number: A1806/201101

Duration of Permit: From 7 January 2012 to 7 January 2017

PERMIT HOLDER

Cameco Australia Pty Ltd .

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Mining Lease 45/264

Mining Lease 45/266

Mining Lease 45/267

Mining Lease 45/420

Prospecting Licence 45/2632

Prospecting Licence 45/2633

Prospecting Licence 45/2634

Prospecting Licence 45/2635

Prospecting Licence 45/2636

Prospecting Licence 45/2637

Prospecting Licence 45/2638

Prospecting Licence 45/2639

Prospecting Licence 45/2640

Prospecting Licence 45/2641

Prospecting Licence 45/2642

Prospecting Licence 45/2643

Exploration Licence 45/1772

Exploration Licence 45/1774

Exploration Licence 45/1773

PURPOSE FOR WHICH THE CLEARING MAY BE DONE

1. Clearing for the purpose of mineral exploration, associated infrastructure and gravel pit.

CONDITIONS

Type of clearing authorised

1. The Permit Holder must not clear more than 22 hectares of native vegetation. All clearing must be within the areas cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 4626/1.

Avoid, minimise etc clearing

2. 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.

Weed control

3. 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.

Flora management

4. (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder shall engage a *botanist* to inspect that area for the presence of *priority flora*.
- (b) Where *priority flora* are identified in relation to Condition 4(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that:
- (i) no clearing of identified *priority flora* occurs and no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified *priority flora*, unless approved by the CEO.

Fauna management

5. (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing authorised under this Permit, the areas shall be inspected by a *fauna specialist* for the presence of:
- (i) *Macrotis lagotis* (Bilby) burrows;
 - (ii) *Dasyercus blythi* (Brush-tailed Mulgara) burrows;
 - (iii) *Dasyercus cristicauda* (Crest-tailed Mulgara) burrows; and
 - (iv) *Liopholis kintorei* (Great Desert Skink) burrows.
- (b) Where *Macrotis lagotis* (Bilby), *Dasyercus blythi* (Brush-tailed Mulgara), *Dasyercus cristicauda* (Crest-tailed Mulgara) or *Liopholis kintorei* (Great Desert Skink) burrows are identified in relation to Condition 5(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that no clearing occurs within 50 metres of the identified *Macrotis lagotis* (Bilby), *Dasyercus blythi* (Brush-tailed Mulgara), *Dasyercus cristicauda* (Mulgara) or *Liopholis kintorei* (Great Desert Skink) burrows, unless approved by the CEO.

Records to be kept

6. (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) In relation to Flora management pursuant to Condition 4 of this Permit:
- (i) the location of each *priority flora* species identified 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 species name of each *priority flora* identified; and
 - (iii) a copy of the *botanists* flora survey report.

(c) In relation to fauna management pursuant to Condition 5 of this Permit:

- (i) the location of each habitat identified 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 species name of fauna reasonably likely to utilise, or that have been observed utilising the habitat; and
- (iii) a copy of the *fauna specialist's* report.

Reporting

7. (a) The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Executive Director, Environment, Department of Mines and Petroleum 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 6 of this Permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 July and 30 June of the previous financial year.

(b) Prior to 7 January 2017, the Permit Holder must provide to the Executive Director, Environment, Department of Mines and Petroleum 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.

Definitions

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

botanist means a person with specific training and/or experience in the ecology and taxonomy of Western Australian flora;

fauna specialist means a person with training and specific work experience in fauna identification or faunal assemblage surveys of Western Australia fauna;

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

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;

priority flora means those plant taxa described as priority flora classes 1, 2, 3 or 4 in the Department of Environment and Conservation's Declared Rare and Priority Flora List for Western Australia (as amended);

weeds means a species listed in Appendix 3 of the "Environmental Weed Strategy" published by the Department of Conservation and Land Management (1999), and plants declared under section 37 of the *Agriculture and Related Resources Protection Act 1976*.



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of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

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