



## CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

<b>Purpose Permit number:</b>	5636/5
<b>Duration of Permit:</b>	From 21 September 2013 to 31 December 2029
<b>Permit Holder:</b>	Hamersley Exploration 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**

Exploration Licence 47/584  
Exploration Licence 47/631  
Exploration Licence 47/1943

**2. Purpose for which clearing may be done**

Clearing for the purposes of mineral exploration, hydrogeological drilling and associated activities.

**3. Area of Clearing**

The Permit Holder must not clear more than 215 hectares of native vegetation. All clearing must be within the areas shaded yellow and red on attached Plan 5636/5.

**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. 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.

**6. Flora Management**

Where the *priority flora* species *Aristida lazardis* has been identified and its written locations provided to the CEO within report "*Juna Downs Native Vegetation Clearing Permit Report, Biota Environmental Sciences, January 2018*" as retained on the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety file "A1300/201301", the Permit Holder shall ensure that:

- (a) no clearing of identified *Aristida lazardis* occurs, unless first approved by the CEO; and
- (b) no clearing occurs within 10 metres of identified *Aristida lazardis*, unless first approved by the CEO.

## 7. Fauna management

- (a) Prior to undertaking any clearing within the area shaded red on attached Plan 5636/5, the area shall be inspected by a *fauna specialist* for the presence of *Dasyurus hallucatus* (Northern Quoll) dens.
- (b) Where *Dasyurus hallucatus* (Northern Quoll) dens are identified in relation to Condition 7(a) of this Permit, the Permit Holder shall ensure that no clearing occurs within 50 metres of the identified *Dasyurus hallucatus* (Northern Quoll) dens, unless first approved by the *CEO*.

## **PART III - RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING**

### 8. 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 minimise the introduction and spread of *weeds* in accordance with Condition 5 of this Permit.
- (c) In relation to Condition 7, the location of any *Dasyurus hallucatus* (Northern Quoll) dens, 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.

### 9. 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 30 June each year for the life of this Permit, demonstrating adherence to all conditions of this Permit, and setting out the records required under Condition 8 of this Permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 January and 31 December of the previous calendar year.
- (b) Prior to 31 December 2029, 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 8 of this Permit where these records have not already been provided under Condition 9(a) of this Permit.

## DEFINITIONS

The following meanings are given to terms used 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 specializing 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;

*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 Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions Threatened and Priority Flora List for Western Australia* (as amended);

*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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Daniel Endacott  
General Manager Environmental Compliance  
Resource and Environmental Compliance Division  
17 October 2019

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