

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.

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CPS No.

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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 <i>Environment Protection and</i> <i>Biodiversity Conservation Act</i> 1999 (Cth) (EPBC Act) the original application must have been assessed in accordance with the	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:					
	\boxtimes	No Proceed to Part 2					
	List the controlling provisions identified in the notification of the controlled action decision.						
bilateral assessment, and a variation under the EPBC Act is required prior to submitting this amendment 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.		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	Permit number for existing clearing permit CPS 5639					
than 90 working days prior to the existing permit expiring to ensure there is adequate time to assess the amendment.	Permit holder's name (as it appears on the existing clearing permit)	it Robe River Limited				
FILE REFERENCE	Permit expiry date:	31 December 2027				
	Mark this box if there are less than 90 working days until the expiry of the existing permit.					

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Part 3: Applicant										
Applicant details										
To apply for an amendment to a permit you must be the current holder of the existing permit.	Are you applying as an individual, a company or incorporated body? Enter details for one only.						etails for			
Include Australian Company Number (ACN) if the proposed permit holder is a body corporate	An	Title	Mr		Mrs		Ms		Other:	
	individual	Name/s								
or other entity formed at law.	OR									
	A body corp other entity law (include	formed at	Robe River Limited ACN: 008 478 493							
Applicant contact details	_									
If applying as a company or incorporated body, please also supply the registered business office address. DWER and DMIRS prefer to send all correspondence electronically via email. 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. 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. 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.										
Contact details for enquiries										
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.	Where cont Contact per position, if a		iffer to t	hose o	f the ap	oplicant,	comple	ete the	below sec	tion:
	Company n (if applicabl									
	Postal / bus address	iness								
	Phone (fixe	d line)				Phone	e (mobi	le)		
	Email addre	ess								

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Part 4: Proposed amendments								
Additional information to support the assessment of your application to amend may be attached.	Indicate the proposed change/s to your clearing permit by selecting the relevant box/es:							
	\boxtimes	Extend the duration of the clearing permit.						
Please ensure you have included the following as part of your application:	Vary / add / remove a permit condition relating to a matter other than boundary of the area to be cleared.				the size or			
• a photocopy of the granted clearing permit, with proposed	\boxtimes	Amend the size of the area permitted to be cleared, or add / remove a land parcel on the clearing permit.						
changes highlighted, and		Redescribe the boundary of the area authorised to be cleared <i>[for an area permit only]</i>						
 payment of the prescribed fee. 		Make a correction to the clearing permit.						
		Other.						
	Provide details of the proposed change(s), and the rationale for it / them.							
	Robe River Limited (the Company) is requesting to amend CPS 5639 to increase the assessment area (including a new tenement), increase the clearing limit from 30 to 85 ha and extend the duration of clearing permit and period in which clearing is authorised to extend mine support infrastructure associated with the Mesa K mine beyond the existing clearing permit boundary.							
For an application to amend the size of the area permitted to be	State the nature of the applicant's authority to access the land to be cleared. [Attach evidence of authority]							
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.	The tenements that are the subject of the existing Clearing Permit and this amendment application; State Agreement Mining Lease (ML) 248 SA and Miscellaneous Licence L47/720 are held by Robe River Mining Co Pty Limited.							
Evidence of authority can include, for example, a copy of the certificate of title or a letter of authority from the land owner.								
Note: the letter of authority must explicitly state the applicant has authority to clear on the land.								
Provide additional property details if required – if applying to extend	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.							
the size of the area to be cleared into another land parcel.	The Company proposes to amend the land on which clearing is to be done to include Miscellaneous Licence L47/720, granted for mine support infrastructure including ' <i>a road, communications facility, drainage, bore, taking water and pipeline</i> '							
You must provide evidence that avoidance and mitigation		alternatives that would avoid or minimise the need earing been considered and applied?	\boxtimes	Yes		No		
options have been pursued to eliminate, reduce or otherwise	If yes, provide details:							
mitigate the need for, and scale of, the proposed clearing of native vegetation.	The proposed clearing will be planned and undertaken so as to require minimal clearing and avoid areas of special environmental significance.							
Refer to DWER's <u>Clearing of</u> <u>native vegetation offsets</u> <u>procedure guideline</u> available on the DWER website, and the EPA's <u>WA Environmental</u>	Do you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal with your application?							
	If yes, provide details, and complete and attach Appendix A of the <i>Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure</i> guideline.							
Offsets Policy and Guidelines on the EPA website for further information.								

Part 5: Other DWER approvals						
 Instructions: If your application is to be submitted to DMIRS, complete Section A and then skip to Part 6 of this form. If your application is to be submitted to DWER, complete Section A and B. 						
Section A: Environmental Impact Assessment						
Environmental Impact Assessment (Part IV of the EP Act)						
Has this clearing application or any related matter been referred to the Environmental Protection	Yes – provide details []					
Authority?	🛛 No					
Do you intend to refer the proposal to the Environmental Protection Authority?	Yes – intend to refer (proposal is a 'significant proposal')					
Section 37B(1) of the EP Act defines a 'significant proposal' as "a proposal likely, if implemented, to have a significant effect on the environment".	Yes – intend to refer (proposal will require a section 45C amendment to the current Ministerial Statement) MS []					
If a decision-making authority (e.g. DWER or DMIRS) considers that the proposal in this application is likely to constitute a 'significant proposal', they are required under section 38(5) of the EP Act to refer the proposal to the EPA for assessment under Part IV, if such a referral has not already been made.	No – a current valid Ministerial Statement applies: MS []					
If a relevant Ministerial Statement already exists, please provide the MS number in the space provided.	⊠ No – not a 'significant proposal'					
Section B: Other approvals						
Pre-application scoping						
Have you had any pre-application / pre-referral / scoping meetings with DWER regarding any planned	No					
applications?	Yes – provide details: []					
Works approval / Licence / Registration (Part V Division 3 of the EP Act)						
Have you applied or do you intend to apply for a works approval, licence, registration, or an	Yes – application reference (if known): []					
amendment to any of the above, under Part V Division 3 of the EP Act?	No – a valid works approval applies: []					
It is an offense to perform any action that would cause a premises to become a prescribed premises of a type listed in Schedule 1 of the <i>Environmental Protection Regulations 1987</i> ,	No – a valid licence applies: []					
unless that action is done in accordance with a works approval, licence, or registration.	No – a valid registration applies: []					
For further guidance, please refer to the <u>Guidance Statement:</u> <u>Decision Making</u> .	No – not required					
Water licences and permits (<i>Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914</i>)						
Have you applied or do you intend to apply for:	Yes –application reference (if known): []					
 a licence or amendment to a licence to take water (surface water or groundwater); or 	No – a current valid licence applies: []					
 a licence or amendment to a licence to construct wells (including bores and soaks); or 	N/A					
3. a permit or amendment to a permit to interfere						

a permit or amendment to a permit to interfere with the bed and banks of a watercourse?