



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.

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**Part 1: Assessment bilateral agreement**

<p>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 Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth)</i> (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.</p> <p>To be assessed in this manner, the proposed clearing action must be referred to the Commonwealth under the EPBC Act and deemed a '<a href="#">controlled action</a>' prior to submitting this application form.</p> <p>Further information is located in <i>Form Annex C7</i> and <i>A guide to native vegetation clearing processes under the Assessment bilateral agreement</i> available at <a href="http://www.der.wa.gov.au/our-work/clearing-permits">www.der.wa.gov.au/our-work/clearing-permits</a>.</p>	<p>Do you want your proposed clearing action assessed in accordance with, or under, an EPBC Act Accredited Process such as the assessment bilateral agreement?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes EPBC number: _____</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Proceed to Part 2</p>
	<p>List the controlling provisions identified in the notification of the controlled action decision.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 100px; width: 100%;"></div>
	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <i>Form Annex C7</i> is complete and the required supporting information is attached.</p>

**Part 2: Clearing permit details**

<p>Amendments can only be made to active clearing permits.</p> <p>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.</p>	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; padding: 5px;">Permit number for existing clearing permit</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">CPS 6197/6</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 5px;">Permit holder's name (as it appears on the existing clearing permit)</td> <td style="padding: 5px;">Marda Operations Pty Ltd ACN 124 374 321</td> </tr> </table>	Permit number for existing clearing permit	CPS 6197/6	Permit holder's name (as it appears on the existing clearing permit)	Marda Operations Pty Ltd ACN 124 374 321
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Part 3: Applicant				
Applicant details				
<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>			
	<p>An individual</p>	<p>Title</p> <p>Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/></p>		
	<p>Name/s <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p>			
<b>OR</b>				
<p>A body corporate or other entity formed at law (include ACN)</p>		<p>Marda Operations Pty Ltd</p>		
Applicant contact details				
<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>				
	<p><i>I consent to all written correspondence between myself (the applicant) and DWER/DMIRS (as applicable), regarding the premises which is the subject of this application, being exclusively via email, using the email address I have provided above.</i></p>		<p><b>Yes</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p><b>No</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></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>	<p>Where contact details differ to those of the applicant, complete the below section:</p>			
	<p>Contact person (and position, if applicable)</p>	<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>		
	<p>Company name (if applicable)</p>	<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>		
	<p>Postal / business address</p>	<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>		
	<p>Phone (fixed line)</p>	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>	<p>Phone (mobile)</p>	<input style="width: 95%;" type="text"/>
<p>Email address</p>	<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>			

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"> <li>a photocopy of the granted clearing permit, with proposed changes highlighted, <i>and</i></li> <li>payment of the prescribed fee.</li> </ul> <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"> <li>the proposed method of the clearing;</li> <li>the purpose of the clearing;</li> <li>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></li> <li>the final land use.</li> </ul>	<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>Marda Operations Pty Ltd require an amendment to CPS6197/6 to allow for additional clearing for the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Airstrip</li> <li>Accommodation Village</li> <li>Additional access roads</li> </ul> <p>The additional tenements required to be added to the permit as part of this amendment application include:</p> <p>Miscellaneous Licence 77/241 Miscellaneous Licence 77/258 Miscellaneous Licence 77/259 Miscellaneous Licence 77/260</p> <p>The proposed clearing will increase from 165 ha (approved under CPS6197/6) to 188 ha which is consistent with the original clearing area proposed under CPS 6197/2. Clearing will be conducted using a dozer.</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. <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>See attached evidence in Attachment 5 and 7. Ramelius Resources Limited, through its 100%-owned subsidiary Marda Operations Pty Ltd, is the owner of all the mining tenements related to this application.</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>The additional tenements required to be added to the permit as part of this amendment application include:</p> <p>Miscellaneous Licence 77/241 Miscellaneous Licence 77/258 Miscellaneous Licence 77/259 Miscellaneous Licence 77/260</p>
<p>You must provide evidence that avoidance and mitigation options have been pursued to eliminate, reduce or otherwise</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>

Part 4: Proposed amendments	
mitigate the need for, and scale of, the proposed clearing of native vegetation.	The clearing area requested is consistent with the area previously approved under CPS 6197/2. The increased clearing has been designed to avoid known locations of Priority flora species in the area. Attachment 2 shows the revised clearing permit application area with mapped Priority species to demonstrate avoidance of potential impacts.
Refer to DWER's <a href="#">Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure guideline</a> available on the DWER website, and the EPA's <a href="#">WA Environmental Offsets Policy and Guidelines</a> on the EPA website for further information.	Do you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal with your application? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	If yes, provide details, and complete and attach Appendix A of the <i>Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure guideline</i> .

**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 both Sections A and B.

**Section A: Environmental Impact Assessment**

**Environmental Impact Assessment (Part IV of the EP Act)**

<b>Has this clearing application or any related matter been referred to the Environmental Protection Authority?</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes – provide details: The original Marda Gold Project was referred to the EPA on 3 January 2014. The decision of the EPA was “Not Assessed”.
	<input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Do you intend to refer the proposal to the Environmental Protection Authority?</b>  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”.  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.  If a relevant Ministerial Statement already exists, please provide the MS number in the space provided.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – intend to refer (proposal is a ‘significant proposal’)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – intend to refer (proposal will require a section 45C amendment to the current Ministerial Statement) MS [       ]
	<input type="checkbox"/> No – a current valid Ministerial Statement applies: MS [       ]
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No – not a ‘significant proposal’

**Section B: Other approvals**

**Pre-application scoping**

<b>Have you had any pre-application / pre-referral / scoping meetings with DWER regarding any planned applications?</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> No
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – provide details: [       ]

**Works approval / Licence / Registration (Part V Division 3 of the EP Act)**

<b>Have you applied or do you intend to apply for a works approval, licence, registration, or an amendment to any of the above, under Part V Division 3 of the EP Act?</b>  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> , unless that action is done in accordance with a works approval, licence, or registration.  For further guidance, refer to <a href="#">Guideline: Decision making</a> and <a href="#">Guideline: Industry Regulation Guide to Licensing</a> .	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – application reference (if known): [       ]
	<input type="checkbox"/> No – a valid works approval applies: [       ]
	<input type="checkbox"/> No – a valid licence applies: [       ]
	<input type="checkbox"/> No – a valid registration applies: [       ]
	<input type="checkbox"/> No – not required

**Water licences and permits (Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914)**