



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</i> (Cth) (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 ‘controlled action’ 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 www.der.wa.gov.au/our-work/clearing-permits.</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>	<p>Permit number for existing clearing permit</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CPS6225/2</p>
	<p>Permit holder's name (as it appears on the existing clearing permit)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Nifty Copper Pty Ltd</p>
FILE REFERENCE	<p>Permit expiry date:</p> <p style="text-align: right;">31/10/2029</p>
	<p>Mark this box if there are less than 90 working days until the expiry of the existing permit.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><input type="checkbox"/></p>

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> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 10%;"></td> <td style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">Title</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">Mr</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">Mrs</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">Ms</td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="width: 10%; text-align: center;">Other:</td> <td style="width: 15%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="vertical-align: top;">An individual</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Name/s</td> <td colspan="8"></td> </tr> </table> <p>OR</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%;">A body corporate or other entity formed at law (include ACN)</td> <td>Cyprium Metals Limited ACN 002 678 640</td> </tr> </table>		Title	Mr	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ms	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:		An individual	Name/s									A body corporate or other entity formed at law (include ACN)	Cyprium Metals Limited ACN 002 678 640
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<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>																							
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>																							

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"> a photocopy of the granted clearing permit, with proposed changes highlighted, and payment of the prescribed fee. <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"> the proposed method of the clearing; the purpose of the clearing; the period within which the clearing is proposed to be undertaken (taking note of the published minimum assessment timeframes for DWER / DMIRS, as applicable); and the final land use. 	<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 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other.</p> <p>Provide details of the proposed change(s), and the rationale for it / them.</p> <p>The purpose of this Native Vegetation Clearing Permit (NVCP) Amendment is to amend the method of clearing and purpose of clearing for existing NVCP CPS6225/2 for the Nifty Copper Project, with no change to the amount of clearing currently authorised under the NVCP (being 180 hectares). CPS6225/2 is currently for the purpose of allowing mine dewatering discharge.</p> <p>An application for a new NVCP has also been submitted at the same time for additional clearing and it is proposed to amend the boundary of CPS6225/2 so that it does not overlap with the Permit Area for new NVCP.</p> <p>The purpose of clearing is to allow for changes to the site layout and operational plans in light of recommencement and extension operations at the Nifty Copper Project. The changes include, expansion of the open pit, waste dump area, heap-leach pads and transfer ponds. To accommodate the changes, operations are proposed to expand south of the existing heap leach pads and north of the existing waste dump.</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.</p> <p><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>Cyprum Metals Limited acquired 100% ownership of the Paterson Copper Project in March 2021. The Paterson Copper Project owns the subsidiaries Nifty Copper Pty Ltd and Maroochydore Copper Pty Ltd. The land is granted to Nifty Copper Pty Ltd (M271SA) by the <i>Western Mining Corporation Limited (Throssell Range) Agreement Act 1985</i>.</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>You must provide evidence that avoidance and mitigation options have been pursued to eliminate, reduce or otherwise mitigate the need for, and scale of, the proposed clearing of native vegetation.</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> <p>Environmental investigations supported by desktop and field studies have been conducted to cover the proposed footprint expansion for recommencement of operations at the Nifty Copper Mine. The information has been used to minimise or avoid (where possible) disturbance to areas of environmental significance or known</p>

Part 4: Proposed amendments	
	habitat of threatened species. Further information around studies is provided in the Supporting Document. Clearing will also be conducted on a progressive basis to reduce the total area of disturbance at any one time.
Refer to DWER's Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure guideline available on the DWER website, and the EPA's WA Environmental Offsets Policy and Guidelines 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:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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)	
Has this clearing application or any related matter been referred to the Environmental Protection Authority?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes – provide details [] <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Do you intend to refer the proposal to the Environmental Protection Authority?	<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'
<p>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".</p> <p>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.</p> <p>If a relevant Ministerial Statement already exists, please provide the MS number in the space provided.</p>	
Section B: Other approvals	
Pre-application scoping	
Have you had any pre-application / pre-referral / scoping meetings with DWER regarding any planned applications?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes – provide details:. Meeting with all relevant State agencies held on 0930, 6 October at level 11, 1 William Street, Perth. Meeting with T Sinclair EPA at 0900 on 8 October 2021. Follow up email to C Standing DWER regarding Works Approval . Meeting with D Montague DMIRS at 1000 on 25 October 2021.
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 amendment to any of the above, under Part V Division 3 of the EP Act?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes – application reference (if known): No application yet. <input type="checkbox"/> No – a valid works approval applies: [] <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No – a valid licence applies: L6617/1992/15]
<p>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>,</p>	