



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.

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 *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (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.

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.

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](http://www.der.wa.gov.au/our-work/clearing-permits).

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: \_\_\_\_\_

No Proceed to Part 2

List the controlling provisions identified in the notification of the controlled action decision.

*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 than 90 working days prior to the existing permit expiring to ensure there is adequate time to assess the amendment.

Permit number for existing clearing permit CPS 6643/2

Permit holder's name (as it appears on the existing clearing permit) Origin Energy Resources Limited

FILE REFERENCE

Permit expiry date: 30 September 2025

A1324/201501

Mark this box if there are less than 90 working days until the expiry of the existing permit.

Part 3: Applicant																					
<b>Applicant details</b>																					
<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 style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 15%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">An individual</td> <td style="width: 15%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Title</td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Mr</td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Mrs</td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Ms</td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Other:</td> <td style="width: 10%; border-bottom: 1px solid black;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="border-bottom: 1px solid black;">Name/s</td> <td colspan="8"></td> </tr> </table> <p><b>OR</b></p> <p>A body corporate or other entity formed at law (include ACN)</p> <p>Beach Energy (Perth Basin) Limited (ACN: 008 432 479) are the holders of Petroleum Production Licences L1, L11 &amp; L22 and Pipeline Licence PL18.</p> <p>Note: Beach Energy (Perth Basin) Limited (ACN: 008 432 479) was previously known as Lattice Energy Resources (Perth Basin) Pty Ltd (ACN 008 432 479). Prior to that Lattice Energy Resources (Perth Basin) Pty Ltd was known as Origin Energy Resources Pty Ltd (ACN 008 432 479).</p>	An individual	Title	Mr	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ms	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:		Name/s									
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<b>Applicant contact details</b>																					
<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>																					
<b>Contact details for enquiries</b>																					
<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>																					

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Part 4: Proposed amendments	
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<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>Beach Energy operates the Beharra Springs Gas Facility and well field (Facility). There are currently two clearing permits assigned to the Facility. Clearing associated with the gas field, facility access roads and the sales gas pipeline is managed in accordance with clearing permit CPS 6643/2. Clearing associated with the gas production plant, including the accommodation and workshop buildings (including areas used for temporary building and plant/equipment laydown during shutdown and maintenance campaigns) is managed in accordance with CPS 4607/2.</p> <p>Beach Energy wish to amend the Beharra Springs Gas Facility clearing permit CPS 6643/2 to include the area currently covered by clearing permit CPS 4607/2. CPS 6643/2 currently covers 25ha and CP 4607/2 covers 14.15ha.</p> <p>There is currently some overlap of the two clearing permit areas/polygons which has resulted in a small area of land being counted twice. This has created some confusion in management and reporting. Consolidating the two permits would mean producing one annual report for all areas and would provide efficiencies in the management and monitoring of clearing areas.</p> <p>Beach Energy also wish to incorporate some additional new clearing (up to 6.2 ha) to accommodate the installation of new critical infrastructure associated with the long term operation and maintenance of the Facility, not already covered by CPS6643, including a new well lease, pipeline and access roads.</p> <p>As a consequence the total area covered by the revised clearing permit will be 45.35 ha. Clearing activities are required to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- accommodate the installation of new infrastructure (e.g. well leases, access tracks, buried pipelines)</li> <li>- maintain fire breaks</li> <li>- maintain 'line of sight' and control vegetation regrowth on pipeline corridors</li> <li>- maintain roads and hardstand areas.</li> </ul> <p>The method of clearing will be mechanical and typically completed using a grader or bulldozer (new infrastructure, maintaining fire breaks) or a slasher (maintenance of fire breaks and control of regrowth). All plant and equipment used during clearing activities will be clean prior to entering and leaving site to minimise the risk of introduction and spread of weeds and disease.</p>
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Part 4: Proposed amendments	
	<p>Vegetation clearing associated with maintenance activities will be undertaken prior to the restricted burn and total fire ban season which typically occurs in the Shire of Irwin between October and March.</p> <p>A targeted flora survey of the CPS 4607 area was undertaken for Beach Energy by Mattiske Consulting, October 2018.</p> <p><b>Refer to attachments for further information on the infrastructure, activities and flora surveys associated with the proposed amendment</b></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>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>The Beharra Springs Facility is situated on Unallocated crown land.</p> <p>Beach Energy are authorised to occupy the land under Petroleum Production Licences L1, L11, L22 and Pipeline Licence PL18.</p>
Provide additional property details if required – if applying to extend the size of the area to be cleared into another land parcel.	<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>N/A</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>Have alternatives that would avoid or minimise the need for clearing been considered and applied? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>
	<p>If yes, provide details:</p>
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.	<p>Do you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal with your application? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>
	<p>If yes, provide details, and complete and attach Appendix A of the <i>Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure guideline</i>.</p>

**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 type="checkbox"/> Yes – provide details [      ]
	<input checked="" 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	<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 [      ]