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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 <u>Procedure: Native vegetation</u> <u>clearing permits</u> on DWER's website.

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#### Part 1: Assessment bilateral agreement

If the amendment of a clearing permit will or is likely to impact on	Do you want your proposed clearing action assessed in accordance with, or under, an EPBC Act Accredited Process such as the assessment bilateral agreement?					
a matter of national environmental significance identified under the		Yes	EPBC number:			
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act	$\boxtimes$	No	Proceed to Part 2	2		
1999 (Cth) (EPBC Act) the original application must have been assessed in accordance with the	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.						
To be assessed in this manner, the proposed clearing action must be referred to the Commonwealth under the EPBC Act and deemed a <u>'controlled action</u> ' 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.		Form	Annex C7 is comp	plete 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 7009/2		
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)	ppears on the existing BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd		
FILE REFERENCE	Permit expiry date: 30 November 2026			
	Mark this box if there are less than 90 working days until the expiry of the existing permit.			

Part 3: Applicant											
Applicant details											
To apply for an amendment to a permit you must be the current helder of the ovicting permit.	Are you ap one only.	Are you applying as an individual, a company or incorporated body? Enter details for one only.								tails for	
holder of the existing permit. Include Australian Company	An	Title	Mr		Mrs		Ms		Other:		
Number (ACN) if the proposed permit holder is a body corporate	individual	Name/s									
or other entity formed at law.	OR										
	A body cor other entity law (include	formed at	BHP Billiton Iron Ore Pty Ltd. ACN: 008 700 981								
Applicant contact details	1										
If applying as a company or incorporated body, please also supply the registered business	Provide contact details for the above individual or body corporate.										
office address. DWER and DMIRS prefer to send		Contact person (and position, if applicable)									
all correspondence electronically via email. We request that you consent to receiving all correspondence		Company name (if applicable)									
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	Postal / business address										
	Phone (fixed line):										
	Email address										
	I consent to all written correspondence between myself (the Yes applicant) and DWER/DMIRS (as applicable), regarding the							No			
provided in this section. Other general correspondence may still be sent to you via email.	premises which is the subject of this applicable), regarding the premises which is the subject of this application, being exclusively via email, using the email address I have provided above.					$\boxtimes$					
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 contact details differ to those of the applicant, complete the below section: Contact person (and position, if applicable)										
	Company name (if applicable)										
	Postal / business address										
	Phone (fixe	ed line)				Phone	e (mobi	le)			
	Email addr	ess									

Part 4: Proposed amendments						
Additional information to support the assessment of your application to amend may be	Indicate the types of proposed change(s) to your clearing permit by selecting the relevant box(es):					
attached.		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 the size or boundary of the area to be cleared.				
<ul> <li>a photocopy of the granted clearing permit, with proposed changes highlighted, and</li> </ul>		Amend the size of the area permitted to be cleared, or add / remove a land parcel on the clearing permit.				
<ul> <li>payment of the prescribed fee.</li> </ul>		Redescribe the boundary of the area authorised to be cleared [for an area permit only]				
When providing details of the proposed change(s), if any additional clearing is proposed, include details of:		Make a correction to the clearing permit.				
<ul> <li>the proposed method of the</li> </ul>		Other.				
clearing;	Provi	de details of the proposed change(s), and the rationale for it / them.				
<ul> <li>the purpose of the clearing;</li> </ul>	The A	mendment Application seeks to:				
<ul> <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);</li> </ul>	•	Expand the boundary of the NVCP by 1.84 hectares (ha) to a total of 14,391.2 ha to include a small area on the western edge of the Finucane Island rail loop; Extend the clearing duration to 30 November 2025; Extend the Permit expiry to 30 November 2030; and Extend the Permit final reporting date to 30 November 2030.				
and						
the final land use.						
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	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. [Attach evidence of authority. Note that a letter of authority must explicitly state the applicant has authority to clear on the land.]					
and undertake the clearing.	Owner					
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.	Mining Leases 47/283;47/284;47/289;47/290;47/291					
	Miscellaneous Licences 45/129;45/130;45/131;45/132;45/133;45/134;45/135;45/136;45/147;45/190;45/194;47 /92;47/95;					
	Iron C	re (Mount Newmat0 Agreement Act 1964, Mineral Lease 244SA (AML 70/244);				
	Iron C	re (Marillana Creek) Agreement Act 1991, Mining Lease 270SA (AM 70/270);				
	Iron Ore (Mount Newman) Agreement Act 1964, Special Lease for Mining Operations Lease 3116/6038,					
	Document 1123402L, Lot 135 on Deposited Plan 48926, F 963074 EL;					
		3116/3690, Document 1123403L, Lot 6254 on Deposited Plan 035659;				
	Lease 31 16/6301, Document I123595L, Lot 48 on Deposited Plan 048928, F 963074 EL;					
	Lease 31 16/6300, Document I123596L, Lot 143 on Deposited Plan 048927, F 963074 EL;					
	Lease 31 16/6298, Document 1123599L, Lot 141 on Deposited Plan 048923, F 963074 EL;					
	Lease	31 16/6400, Document 1123701 L, Lots 86, 87 on Deposited Plan 213620;				

Part 4: Proposed amendments										
	Lease 31 16/6329, Document I123720L, Lot 49 on Deposited Plan 048931, F 963074 EL;									
	Lease 31 16/6068, Document I150309L, Lot 136 on Deposited Plan 048924;									
	Lease 31 16/6297, Document 150310L, Lot 140 on Deposited Plan 048922, F 963074 EL;									
	Lease 3116/4028, N105667L, Lot 92 on Deposited Plan 60351, Lot 93 on Deposited Plan 60352, Lot 94 on									
	Deposited Plan 60707, Lot 95 on Deposited Plan 60708, Lot 96 on Deposited Plan 60709, Lot 24 on Deposited Plan 60348, Lot 25 on Deposited Plan 60349, Lot 26 on Deposited Plan 60350;									
	Lease 3116/3687, Document I154279L, Lot 65 on Deposited Plan 048920, Lot 19 on Deposited Plan 048921;									
	Lease 3116/6299, Document I163678L, Lot 142 on Deposited Plan 048925, F 963074 EL;									
	Lease 3116/3684, N88235L, Lot 351 on Deposited Plan 74327;									
	Iron Ore (Marillana Creek)Agreement Act 1991 pursuant to Land Administration Act 1997, K843924L, Lots 145 on Deposited Plan 243202, 146 on Deposited Plan 243202 and 243203, 147 on Deposited Plan 243202, 149 on 243203, 150 on Deposited Plan 220067, 156 on Deposited Plan									
	194001,220 on Deposited Plan 243202;									
	K843925L, Lot 148 on Deposited Plan 93544;									
	Iron Ore (Mount Goldsworthy) Agreement Act 1964, Special Lease for Mining Operations, Lease 3116/5999,									
	Document I126342L, Lot 125 on Deposited Plan 219861, M653978L pursuant to Land Administration Act 1997, Lots 321,322, 323,324, 325 on Deposited Plan 74344									
You must provide evidence that avoidance and mitigation options have been pursued to	Have alternatives that would avoid or minimise the need for clearing been considered and applied?									
eliminate, reduce or otherwise	If yes, provide details:									
mitigate the need for, and scale of, the proposed clearing of native vegetation.	Boundary has been aligned to tenure. Disturbance will be kept to previously cleared areas where practicable.									
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 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		Yes – provide details [ ]				
Authority?	$\boxtimes$	No				
		Yes – intend to refer (proposal is a 'significant proposal')				

Part 5: Other DWER approvals							
<b>Do you intend to refer the proposal to the</b> <b>Environmental Protection Authority?</b> Section 37B(1) of the EP Act defines a 'significant proposal' as		Yes – intend to refer (proposal will require a section 45C amendment to the current Ministerial Statement)					
"a proposal likely, if implemented, to have a significant effect on the environment".		MS [ ]					
If a decision-making authority (e.g. DWER or DMIRS) considers that the proposal in this application is likely to constitute a		No – a current valid Ministerial Statement applies: MS []					
'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.	$\boxtimes$	No – not a 'significant proposal'					
If a relevant Ministerial Statement already exists, please provide the MS number in the space provided.							
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 amendment to any of the above, under Part V Division 3 of the EP Act? 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.		Yes – application reference (if known): [ ]					
		No – a valid works approval applies: [ ]					
		No – a valid licence applies: [ ]					
		No – a valid registration applies: [ ]					
For further guidance, refer to <u>Guideline: Decision making</u> and <u>Guideline: Industry Regulation Guide to Licensing</u> .		No – not required					
Water licences and permits (Rights in Water and Irrigat	tion Ac	t 1914)					
Have you applied or do you intend to apply for:		Yes –application reference (if known): [ ]					
<ol> <li>a licence or amendment to a licence to take water (surface water or groundwater); or</li> <li>a licence or amendment to a licence to construct wells (including bores and soaks); or</li> </ol>		No – a current valid licence applies: [ ]					
		N/A					
3. a permit or amendment to a permit to interfere with the bed and banks of a watercourse?							
For further guidance on water licences and permits under the <i>Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914</i> , refer to the <i>Procedure: Water licences and permits</i> .							

Part 6: Surveys for Assessments (IBSA and IMSA)							
Do you wish to submit marine or biodiversity surveys in support of your application?	⊠ Yes						
	No – skip to Part 7						
Biodiversity surveys submitted to support this application	All biodiversity surveys that support this application						
must meet the requirements of the EPA's <u>Instructions for</u> the preparation of data packages for the Index of <u>Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments (IBSA)</u> . If these	have been submitted to the <i>Index of Biodiversity</i> <i>Surveys for Assessment</i> available at <u>ibsasubmissions.dwer.wa.gov.au</u>	$\boxtimes$					

Part 6: Surveys for Assessments (IBSA and IMSA)						
requirements are not met, DWER / DMIRS (as applicable) may decline to deal with the application. Please provide the IBSA number(s) (or submission number(s) if IBSA number has not yet been issued) in the space provided. Note that a submission number is not confirmation of acceptance of a biodiversity survey and is not the same as an IBSA number. IBSA numbers are only issued once a survey has been accepted. Once an IBSA number is issued, please notify DWER / DMIRS (as applicable). Please note the assessment timeframes for your application will be suspended until the IBSA number(s) is provided to DWER / DMIRS (as applicable).	Submission number(s) (e.g. IBSASUB- 20200101- 12345A6D) Please list all numbers. If space is inadequate, list on a separate sheet. IBSA number(s)	IBSA-2020-0370 (Port Hedland Regional Fauna Assessment) IBSA-2020-0371 (Port Hedland Regional Flora Assessment) updated survey submitted due to error in data - new number IBSA-2020-0440 IBSASUB-20201022-02A37824				
	(e.g. <i>IBSA-2020- 0123</i> ) Please list all numbers. If space is inadequate, list on a separate sheet.	(Windfence Flora and Fauna Assessment Level 1 Fauna and Reconnaissance Flora Survey)				
Marine surveys submitted to support this application must	All marine surveys submitted with this application meet the requirements of the EPA's Instructions for the preparation of data packages for the Index of Marine Surveys for Assessments (IMSA).		Yes	N/A		
meet the requirements of the EPA's <u>Instructions for the</u> <u>preparation of data packages for the Index of Marine</u> <u>Surveys for Assessments (IMSA)</u> . If these requirements are not met, DWER will decline to deal with the application.				$\boxtimes$		