

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Area Permit Number:7406/1File Number:A2343/201601Duration of Permit:From 25 February 2017 to 28 February 2019

PERMIT HOLDER

Cliffs Asia Pacific Iron Ore Pty Ltd

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Mining Lease 77/607

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

Clearing of up to 2.40 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross-hatched yellow on attached Plan 7406/1.

CONDITIONS

1. Weed control

When undertaking any clearing or other activity authorised under this Permit, the Permit Holder must take the following steps to minimise the risk of the introduction and spread of weeds:

- (i) clean earth-moving machinery of soil and vegetation prior to entering and leaving the area to be cleared;
- (ii) ensure that no weed-affected soil, mulch, fill or other material is brought into the area to be cleared; and
- (iii) restrict the movement of machines and other vehicles to the limits of the areas to be cleared.

2. Records to be kept

The Permit Holder must maintain the following records for activities done pursuant to this Permit:

In relation to the clearing of native vegetation authorised under this Permit:

- (i) the location where the clearing occurred, recorded using a Global Positioning System (GPS) unit set to Geocentric Datum Australia 1994 (GDA94), expressing the geographical coordinates in Eastings and Northings or decimal degrees;
- (ii) the date that the area was cleared;
- (iii) the size of the area cleared (in hectares)
- (iv) the purpose for which the clearing was undertaken

3. Reporting

The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Director Operations, Environment, Department of Mines and Petroleum prior to 28 February 2019, demonstrating adherence to all conditions of this permit, and setting out the records required under Condition 2 of this permit in relation to clearing carried out between 25 February 2017 and 28 February 2019.

DEFINITIONS

The following meanings are given to terms in this Permit:

fill means material used to increase the ground level, or fill a hollow;

mulch means the use of organic matter, wood chips or rocks to slow the movement of water across the soil surface and to reduce evaporation;

weed/s means any plant -

(a) that is a declared pest under section 22 of the *Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007*; or

(b) published in a Department of Parks and Wildlife Regional Weed Rankings Summary, regardless of ranking; or (c) not indigenous to the area concerned.

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Dan Machin | Acting Director Operations Operations, Environment 02 February 2017

Officer with delegated authority under Section 20 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*