GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Department of Environment Regulation - Department of Mines and Petroleum

## Application for a clearing permit (purpose permit) Environmental Protection Act 1986 s 51E

## FORM C2

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.

CPS No. Date stamp

Part 1 Assessment under the	EPBC bilateral agreement
The native vegetation clearing processes under Part V of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (EP Act) have been accredited by the Commonwealth of Australia under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (EPBC Act) and can be assessed under an assessment bilateral agreement.  To be assessed under the assessment bilateral agreement, the proposed clearing action must be referred to the Commonwealth under the EPBC Act prior to submitting this application form and Annex C7 must also be completed.  For further information see Annex	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 No Proceed to Part 2  Has the proposed clearing action been referred to the Commonwealth of Australia under the EPBC Act?  Yes EPBC Number  No It cannot be assessed under an Accredited Process until it has been referred to the Commonwealth. Proceed to Part 2.  Has a decision been made under the EPBC Act as to whether or not the proposed clearing action is a controlled action?  Yes No Proceed to Part 2  Is the proposed clearing action a controlled action under the EPBC Act?  No It cannot be assessed under an Accredited Process, proceed to Part 2  Yes Complete and attach the requirements of Annex C7 to this completed form  List the controlling provisions identified in the notification of the controlled action decision
C7 and A guide to native vegetation clearing processes	
under the assessment bilateral agreement available at www.der.wa.gov.au.	☐ Annex C7 is complete and the required supporting information is attached
Part 2 Land details	
The location of the land where clearing is proposed must be accurately described.	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.  Five Mile Well - Mining Leases M51/671, M51/199 & M51/670 Sabbath - Mining Lease M51/322
FILE REFERENCE	Local government area
	Shire of Meekatharra
Part 3 Proposal	
An aerial photograph or map with a north arrow must be attached, clearly marking the area proposed to be cleared or if you have the facilities, a digital map on CDROM of the area to clear as an ESRI shapefile with the following properties:  Geometry type: polygon shape  Coordinate system: GDA 1994 (Geographic latitude/longitude)  Datum: GDA 1994	Total area of clearing proposed (hectares)  205 hectares (Five Mile Well); 120 hectares (Sabbath)  Total Clearing – 325 hectares — changed to 374. Sand to file  Proposed method of clearing or final land use  Raised blade dozing to salvage vegetation for use in future rehabilitation, followed by removal and storage of topsoil layer.
	Period within which clearing is proposed to be undertaken, e.g. May 2013 – June 2018  October 2017– October 2021  Purpose of clearing  Open pit gold mining
(Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994).	Has this clearing application or any related matter been referred to the Environmental

Protection Authority (EPA)

Yes

Part 4 Applicant	
To apply for a permit you must either be:  • the landowner or  • have the authority of the landowner to access the land and undertake the clearing.	Are you applying as an individual, a company or an incorporated body? Enter details for one only (please print).  Big Bell Gold Operation Pty LTD
Ownership of land	Form of ownership:
A landowner can be:  a person who holds the Certificate of Title  a person who is the lessee of Crown land or  a public authority that is responsible for care of the land.	Certificate of Title (please attach a copy of the certificate and all associated encumbrances with the application, available from the Western Australian Land Information Authority – Landgate)  Pastoral lease (please attach a copy of the lease and all associated encumbrances with the application)  Mining lease  Public authority that has care, control or management of the land  Other form of lease, land tenure or specific arrangement. Please state:
Authority to access land	
Please specify the applicant's authority to access land to be cleared. For example, a letter from Department of Planning, a statutory power or letter of authority from the landowner.  Note: the letter of authority must explicitly state the applicant has authority to clear on the said land.	State nature of authority to access land (please attach copy of authority)  Granted Mining Lease
Proposed permit holder details	
*If applying as a company or incorporated body, please also supply the registered business office address.	