

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER)
Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DMIRS)

## Application to amend a clearing permit

Environmental Protection Act 1986, section 51KA

## FORM C4

The clearing of native vegetation is prohibited in Western Australia unless a clearing permit has been granted for the clearing or where a permit is not required (either due to a referral determination that one is not needed or because 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), see the <u>Procedure: Native vegetation clearing permits</u> on DWER's website.

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| Part 1: Assessment bilateral agre   | emen  | t    |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 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 Environment Protection and   |   | Yes  | EPBC number:   |  |  |  |  |
| Biodiversity Conservation Act<br>1999 (Cth) (EPBC Act) the original   | $\boxtimes$   | No   | Proceed to Part 2  |  |  |  |  |
| 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. | List ti<br>decis  |      | rolling provisions identified in the notification of the controlled action |  |  |  |  |
| 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.qov.au/our-work/clearing-permits.  |   | Form | Annex C7 is complete and the required supporting information is attached.  |  |  |  |  |

| Part 2: Clearing permit details  |   | The second second               | I THE |  |  |
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| 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 8176/1                      |       |  |  |
|  | Permit holder's name (as it appears on the existing clearing permit)                          | Northern Star Resources Limited |       |  |  |
| FILE REFERENCE   | Permit expiry date:   |                                 |       |  |  |
|  | Mark this box if there are less than 90 working days until the expiry of the existing permit. |                                 |       |  |  |

| Part 3: Applicant   |                              | - 10 11 11  | W-11    | ٧.,      | 5      |          |         |        |                       |
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| Applicant details   |                              | 111   |         | - 1      |        |          | 11      |        |                       |
| To apply for an amendment to a permit you must be the current holder of the existing permit.  | Are you ap one only.         | plying as an                                      | individ | ual, a c | ompan  | y or inc | corpora | ted bo | dy? Enter details for |
| Include Australian Company  | An                           | Title   | Mr      |          | Mrs    |          | Ms      |        | Other:                |
| Number (ACN) if the proposed permit holder is a body corporate or other entity formed at law.   | individual                   | Name/s  |         |          |        |          |         |        |                       |
| of other entity formed attaw.   | OR<br>A body corp            | norate or   |         |          |        |          |         |        |                       |
|   | other entity<br>law (include | Northern Star Resources Limited, ACN: 092 832 892 |         |          |        |          |         |        |                       |
| Applicant contact details   |                              |   |         |          |        |          | 1,11    |        |                       |
| If applying as a company or incorporated body, please also supply the registered business office address.  DWER and DMIRS prefer to send all correspondence via email.  We request that you consent to receiving all correspondence relating to instruments and notices under Part V of the EP Act ("Part V documents") 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 provided in this section. Other general correspondence may still be sent to you via email. |                              |   |         |          |        |          |         |        |                       |
| Contact details for enquiries   |                              |   |         |          | 11 417 |          |         |        |                       |
| 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.   |                              |   |         |          |        |          |         |        |                       |

| Part 4: Proposed amendments  |   |  |             | 11 13     | , 11    | THE   |  |  |  |  |
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| 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.  Please ensure you have included   | $\boxtimes$   |  |             |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| 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. |             |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| a photocopy of the granted<br>clearing permit, with proposed<br>changes highlighted,   | Amend the size of the area permitted to be cleared, or add / remove a land parcel on the clearing permit.   |  |             |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| payment of the prescribed fee.   | 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:  |   |  |             |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| the proposed method of the   |   | Other.   |             |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| clearing;  | Provi   | de details of the proposed change(s), and the rational   | e(s) for    | it / ther | n.      | 11 17 |  |  |  |  |
| 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);                   | Northern Star Resources seeks to have the expiration date changed from 28 December 2023 to 28 December 2028 to align with the revised life of mine for the project.   |  |             |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| 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 and undertake the clearing. | 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.]  N/A |  |             |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| Provide additional property details if required – if applying to extend the size of the area to be cleared into another land parcel.   | reserve number, pastoral lease number, or mining tenement number of all properties.   |  |             |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| You must provide evidence that avoidance and mitigation  |   | alternatives that would avoid or minimise the need earing been considered and applied?                                 | $\boxtimes$ | Yes       |         | No    |  |  |  |  |
| options have been pursued to eliminate, reduce or otherwise mitigate the need for, and scale of, the proposed clearing of native vegetation.   | If yes, provide details:  No change from granted clearing permit.   |  |             |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| Refer to DWER's <u>Clearing of</u><br>native vegetation offsets  | Do you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal with your application?  |  |             |           |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| procedure quideline available on the DWER website, and the EPA's WA Environmental Offsets Policy and Guidelines on the EPA website for further information.  |   | , provide details, and complete and attach Appendix A<br>lation offsets procedure guideline.                           | of the      | Clearin   | g of na | tive  |  |  |  |  |

| Part 5: Other DWER approvals   | 100  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 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 A   | ct)  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| as this clearing application or any related matter<br>een referred to the Environmental Protection<br>uthority?  |  | Yes – provide details [ ]                                  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\boxtimes$  | No   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do you intend to refer the proposal to the Environmental Protection Authority?   |  | Yes – intend to refer (proposal is a 'significant proposal |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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".   | Yes – intend to refer (proposal will require a section 450 amendment to the current Ministerial Statement)  MS [ ] |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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. |  | No – a current valid Ministerial Statement applies: MS [ ] |  |  |  |  |  |
| If a relevant Ministerial Statement already exists, please provide the MS number in the space provided.  | $\boxtimes$  | No – not a 'significant proposal'                          |  |  |  |  |  |
| Section B: Other approvals   | 5  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pre-application scoping  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Have you had any pre-application / pre-referral / scoping meetings with DWER regarding any planned applications?   |  | No   |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 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  |  | Yes – application reference (if known): [                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| amendment to any of the above, under Part V Division 3 of the EP Act?  |  | No – a valid works approval applies: [ ]                   |  |  |  |  |  |
| It is an offence 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</i> 1987,   |  | No – a valid licence applies: [L6498/1995/11]              |  |  |  |  |  |
| unless that action is done in accordance with a works approval, licence, or registration.  For further guidance, refer to <u>Guideline</u> : <u>Decision making</u> and  |  | No – a valid registration applies: [                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Guideline: Industry Regulation Guide to Licensing.   |  | No – not required  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Water licences and permits (Rights in Water and Irrigation   | ion Ac   | (1914)   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Have you applied or do you intend to apply for:  |  | Yes –application reference (if known): [                   |  |  |  |  |  |
| a licence or amendment to a licence to take water (surface water or groundwater); or     a licence or amendment to a licence to construct  | $\boxtimes$  | No – a current valid licence applies: [GWL107143]          |  |  |  |  |  |
| wells (including bores and soaks); or  |  | 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 Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914, refer to the Procedure: Water licences and permits.  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |