

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 clearing permits</u> on DWER's website.

CPS No.
Date stamp

Part 1: Assessment bilateral agreement							
If the amendment of a clearing permit will or is likely to impact on				earing action assessed in accordance with, or under, an such as the assessment bilateral agreement?			
a matter of national environmental significance identified under the		Yes	EPBC number:				
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) (EPRC Act) the original	$\boxtimes$	No	Proceed to Part	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 'controlled action' prior to							
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.			

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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?					
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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 8392/4				
	appe	nit holder's name (as it ears on the existing ing permit)	Mr Graeme Robertson				
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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	Are you ap one only.	plying as an i	individu	al, a co	ompany	or inco	rporate	ed body	? Enter de	tails for
holder of the existing permit. Include Australian Company	An	Title	Mr	$\boxtimes$	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								
Applicant contact details										
If applying as a company or incorporated body, please also	Provide co	ntact details f	or the a	above i	ndividua	al or bo	dy corp	orate.		
supply the registered business office address.	Contact pe position, if									
DWER and DMIRS prefer to send all correspondence via email.  We request that you consent to receiving all correspondence	Company r (if applicab									
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	Postal / bus	siness								
	Phone (fixe	ed line):								_
	Email addr	ess								
to you in hard copy to the postal/business address you have provided in this section. Other	I consent to all written correspondence between myself (the applicant) and DWER/DMIRS (as applicable), regarding the premises which is the subject of this application, being exclusively via email, using the email address I have provided above.					Yes	No			
general correspondence may still be sent to you via email.						$\boxtimes$				
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	Where contact details differ to those of the applicant, complete the below section:  Contact person (and position, if applicable)									
with concerning this clearing application.	Company name (if applicable)									
	Postal / bus	siness								
	Phone (fixe	ed line)								
	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 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 of boundary of the area to be cleared.								
<ul> <li>a photocopy of the granted clearing permit, with proposed changes highlighted,</li> </ul>	$\boxtimes$	Amend the size of the area permitted to be cleared, or add / remove a land parcel on the clearing permit.							
<ul><li>and</li><li>payment of the prescribed fee.</li></ul>		Redescribe the boundary of the area authorised to be [for an area permit only]	cleared	d					
When providing details of the proposed change(s), if any additional clearing is proposed,		Make a correction to the clearing permit.							
<ul><li>include details of:</li><li>the proposed method of the</li></ul>		Other.							
clearing;	Provid	de details of the proposed change(s), and the rationale(	s) for it	/ them.					
<ul><li> the purpose of the clearing;</li><li> the period within which the</li></ul>		olds a Clearing Permit which allows for the clearing of a yed total clearing area of 8 ha.	a 3 ha f	irst stag	ge, with	in an			
clearing is proposed to be undertaken (taking note of the published minimum assessment timeframes for	GSL h enable Initially	SL has sought to minimise any environmental impact through vegetation clearing to able limestone excavation, by minimising the size of each clearing stage.  ially, the Clearing Permit allowed for 2 ha at any one time to be cleared and cavated, prior to rehabilitation of the mined-out pit, then moving operations to the next							
DWER / DMIRS, as applicable);	2ha stage.  Operating experience found that this area was insufficient to operate efficiently and								
<ul><li>the final land use.</li></ul>									
	Subsequentl, instructions from DMIR resulted in a site plan which would require cleared excavation and operating space. This derived from advice that the ang repose of the sides of the pit was too high to meet safety requirements of the D An application to vary the DA to increase the clearing area to 4 ha so as to mee								
	requirements. was approved by the City of Albany (copy of approval attached).								
For an application to amend the size of the area permitted to be cleared, or add a land parcel to	e of authority can include e.g. a copy of the certificate of title or a letter of authority s								
the clearing permit, you must have the authority of the	[Attach evidence of authority. Note that a letter of authority must explicitly state the applicant has authority to clear on the land.]								
landowner to access the land and undertake the clearing.	Copy of CPS 8992/4 attached.								
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.  Lot 9005 on Deposited Plan 52008, Nullaki									
You must provide evidence that avoidance and mitigation		alternatives that would avoid or minimise the need earing been considered and applied?		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No			
options have been pursued to eliminate, reduce or otherwise	If yes	provide details:							
mitigate the need for, and scale of, the proposed clearing of native vegetation.									
Refer to DWER's <u>Clearing of</u> native vegetation offsets	Do you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal with your application?				No				

Part 4: Proposed amendments							
procedure guideline available on the DWER website, and the EPA's WA Environmental Offsets Policy and Guidelines on the EPA website for further information.	If yes, provide details, and complete and attach Appendix A of the Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure guideline.						
Part 5: Other DWER approvals							
If your application is to be subm	itted to DWER, complete		A and then skip to Part 6 of this form. ctions A and B.				
Section A: Environmental Impact							
Environmental Impact Assessme		ct)					
Has this clearing application or any related matter been referred to the Environmental Protection Authority?			Yes – provide details [Referred to EPA under Section 38A and EPA decision not to assess: see attached letter from EPA]				
			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 45C 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.			No – not a 'significant proposal'				
Section B: Other approvals							
Pre-application scoping		1					
Have you had any pre-application scoping meetings with DWER reg			No				
applications?		$\boxtimes$	Yes – provide details: [Site inspection by DWER officers prior to granting of the original Clearing Permit, and recent inspection by the Appeals Convenor for the Minster for the Environment and ]				
Works approval / Licence / Regis	tration (Part V Division	1 3 of th	ne EP Act)				
Have you applied or do you inten works approval, licence, registrate			Yes – application reference (if known): [ ]				
amendment to any of the above, Division 3 of the EP Act?	under Part V	$\boxtimes$	No – a valid works approval applies: [ ] NOTE: Works approval licence				
It is an offence to perform any action that premises to become a prescribed premise Schedule 1 of the <i>Environmental Protection</i>	ses of a type listed in tion Regulations 1987,		No – a valid licence applies: [ ] number provided during validation				
unless that action is done in accordance licence, or registration.  For further guidance, refer to <i>Guideline</i> :			No – a valid registration applies: [ ] L9381/2023/1				
Guideline: Industry Regulation Guide to Licensing.			No – not required				
Water licences and permits (Right		ion Act	1914)				
Have you applied or do you inten  1. a licence or amendment to a li			Yes –application reference (if known): [				
a licence or amendment to a licence to take water (surface water or groundwater); or		$\boxtimes$	No – a current valid licence applies: [ ]				

Part 5: Other DWER approvals			
2. a licence or amendment to a licence to construct wells (including bores and soaks); or	$\boxtimes$	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 <u>Procedure:</u> <u>Water licences and permits</u> .			
Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914, refer to the Procedure:			

Part 6: Surveys for Assessments (IBSA and IMSA)							
Do you wish to submit marine or biodiversity surveys in support of your application?	☐ Yes						
and the same of the same	No − skip to Part 7						
Biodiversity surveys submitted to support this application	All biodiversity surveys that support this application	Yes					
the preparation of data packages for the Index of Biodiversity Surveys for Assessments (IBSA). If these 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)	have been submitted to the <i>Index of Biodiversity</i> Surveys for Assessment available at: ibsasubmissions.dwer.wa.gov.au						
	Submission number(s)						
	(e.g. IBSASUB- 20200101-12345A6D)						
	Please list all numbers. If space is inadequate, list on a separate sheet.						
	IBSA number(s)						
Please note the assessment timeframes for your application will be suspended until the IBSA number(s) is	(e.g. IBSA-2020-0123)						
provided to DWER / DMIRS (as applicable).	Please list all numbers. If space is inadequate, list on a separate sheet.						
Marine surveys submitted to support this application must	All marine surveys submitted with this	N/A					
meet the requirements of the EPA's <u>Instructions for the preparation of data packages for the Index of Marine Surveys for Assessments (IMSA)</u> . If these requirements are not met, DWER will decline to deal with the application.	application meet the requirements of the EPA's Instructions for the preparation of data packages for the Index of Marine Surveys for Assessments (IMSA).						

Part 7: Records kept under the existing clearing permit's conditions							
Most clearing permits include one	i	The required records are attached.					
or more conditions requiring that the permit holder keep certain records relating to the actions	The re						
undertaken in accordance with the clearing permit.		select the relevant records included with the report. Only records required to be the conditions of the existing clearing permit need to be provided.					
DWER / DMIRS (as applicable) requires that these records are provided to support the	$\boxtimes$	The total amount, location(s), and date(s) of clearing done under the per within the past five years).	mit (or				
assessment of this application. Records provided should cover:		Actions taken to avoid or minimise the impact and extent of clearing					
the full period of the permit;		Actions taken in relation to flora and/or fauna management.					

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<ul><li>or</li><li>the past five years (if the</li></ul>		Actions taken to	revegetate or rehabilitate the areas cleared under the permit.				
existing permit's duration is greater than five years and it was amended within the past		Records pertaining to any onsite or offsite environmental offsets.					
five years).		Any other relevant records required to be kept by the conditions of the permit.					
	$\boxtimes$	Summarise other records:	Annual reporting				