

Application for a clearing permit (purpose permit)

Environmental Protection Act 1986, section 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 bilateral agreement

The native vegetation clearing processes under Part V of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (WA) (EP Act) have been accredited by the Commonwealth of Australia under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth) (EPBC Act) and can be assessed under an assessment bilateral agreement.

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.

For further information see *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.

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 EPBC Number:

☒ No Proceed to Part 2

List the controlling provisions identified in the notification of the controlled action decision.

☐ *Form 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.

Great Northern Highway 523 SLK:

- Lot 100 on Plan 220127 (Lease N50208, Yowergabbie)
- Lot 170 on Plan 218689.

Great Northern Highway 593 SLK:

- Lot 111 on Plan 221128 (Lease N49607, Wanarie), Exploration Licence E58/510 (Live) Gardner Mining Pty Ltd
- Lot 111 on Plan 221128 (Lease N49607, Wanarie), Exploration Licence E58/512 (Pending), Murchison Gold Mines Pty Ltd
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- Reserve 8920, Exploration Licences E 58/510 (Live) Gardner Mining Pty Ltd) E 58/512 (Pending) Murchison Gold Mines Pty Ltd
- Unallocated Crown Land (UCL), Exploration Licences E 58/510 (Live) Gardner Mining Pty Ltd) E 58/512 (Pending) Murchison Gold Mines Pty Ltd

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lot 111 on Plan 221128 (Lease N49607, Wanarie), Exploration Licences E 58/510 (Live) Gardner Mining Pty Ltd) E 58/512 (Pending) Murchison Gold Mines Pty Ltd <p>Great Northern Highway 660 SLK:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lot 131 on Plan 29083 (Lease N50049, Karbar), Exploration Licence E 20/912 (Live) Calypso Minerals Pty Ltd Lot 131 on Plan 29083 (Lease N50049, Karbar). Exploration Licence E 20/912 (Live) Calypso Minerals Pty Ltd <p>Great Northern Highway 770 SLK:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lot 148 on Plan 238472 (Lease N49924, Sherwood), Exploration Licence E 51/1876 (Live) Big Bell Gold Operations Pty Ltd Lot 148 on Plan 238472 (Lease N49924, Sherwood) Exploration Licences E 51/1739 (Live) Hon Yap Kong E 51/1876 (Live) Big Bell Gold Operations Pty Ltd Lot 148 on Plan 238472 (Lease N49924, Sherwood), Exploration Licences E 51/1739 (Live) Hon Yap Kong E 51/1876 (Live) Big Bell Gold Operations Pty Ltd <p>Great Northern Highway 764 SLK:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lot 148 on Plan 238472 (Lease N49924, Sherwood) Lot 153 on Plan 238571 (Lease N49522, Yoothapina) Lot 148 on Plan 238472 (Lease N49924, Sherwood), Exploration Licences E 51/1876 (Live) Big Bell Gold Operations Pty Ltd E 51/1905 (Pending) Zebina Minerals Pty Ltd Mining Leases M 51/653 (Live) Big Bell Gold Operations Pty Ltd M 51/667 (Live) Big Bell Gold Operations Pty Ltd M 51/668 (Live) Big Bell Gold Operations Pty Ltd <p>Cue Wondinong 7.1 SLK:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lot 137 on Plan 29081 (Lease N49496, Yarraquin), Prospecting Licences P20/2139 (Live) Ryan Burnell P20/2142 (Live) Ryan Burnell P20/2344 (Live) Ryan Burnell P20/2373 (Pending) Cue Consolidated Mining Pty Ltd 	
FILE REFERENCE	Street address	
	Local government area	Shire of Meekatharra, Cue and Mount Magnet

Part 4: Proposed clearing						
<p>An aerial photograph and/or map with a north arrow must be attached, clearly marking the area proposed to be cleared</p> <p>or</p> <p>if you have the facilities, a digital map on a suitable portable digital storage device of the area to clear as an ESRI shapefile with the following properties:</p> <p>Geometry type: Polygon shape</p> <p>Coordinate system: GDA 1994 (Geographic latitude/longitude)</p> <p>Datum: GDA 1994 (Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994).</p> <p>An ESRI shapefile must be provided if the application requires an assessment under an EPBC Act accredited process.</p>	Total area of clearing proposed (hectares)		390ha <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 523 SLK LHS-Investigate ~63ha of leased pastoral land. • 593 SLK-Investigate ~238ha of leased pastoral land. • 631 SLK (Cue Wondinong 7.1 SLK)-Investigate ~135ha of leased pastoral land. • 660 SLK-Investigate ~115ha of leased pastoral land. • 764 SLK-Investigate ~181ha of leased pastoral land. • 770 SLK-Investigate ~49ha of leased pastoral land. 			
	and/or					
	number of individual trees to be removed					
	Proposed method of clearing:					
	Investigations will employ a tracked dozer or rubber tyred backhoe. The dozer / backhoe will excavate test pits on a 100 x 100, 50 x 50 or 25 x 25 metre grid, these shall be backfilled on completion of the investigations. Clearing of winnable materials areas will be in accordance with specifications.					
	Purpose of clearing:					
	This project involves the investigation and stockpiling of materials for future maintenance and project works along the Great Northern Highway. Clearing will be staged depending on project specific needs.					
	Period within which clearing is proposed to be undertaken, e.g. May 2018 – June 2018 from <input type="text" value="September 2019"/> to <input type="text" value="December 2049"/>					
Final land use:						
As is currently utilised						
<p>You must provide evidence that avoidance and mitigation options have been pursued to eliminate, reduce or otherwise mitigate the need for, and scale of, the proposed clearing of native vegetation.</p>	Have alternatives that would avoid or minimise the need for clearing been considered and applied?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
	If yes, provide details: Other locations have been considered however locality of material limits options. The depth of material only extends to a maximum of approximately 2m deep in this area which means material must be sourced over a larger horizontal area as vertical area is not available					
<p>Refer to DWER's Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure guideline available on the DWER website, and the Environmental Protection Authority's (EPA) WA Environmental Offsets Policy and Guidelines on the EPA website for further information.</p>	Do you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal with your application?		<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No
	If yes, provide details, and complete and attach Appendix A of the <i>Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure guideline</i> .					