

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

Part 1: Assessment bilateral agreement

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.

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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 | 2   |  |  |  |  |
| 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  |   |      |                   |   |  |  |  |  |
| submitting this application form.  Further information is located in Form Annex C7 and A guide to native vegetation clearing processes under the Assessment bilateral agreement available at <a href="https://www.der.wa.gov.au/our-work/clearing-permits">www.der.wa.gov.au/our-work/clearing-permits</a> . |   | Form | Annex C7 is comp  | lete and the required supporting information is attached. |  |  |  |  |
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| Part 2: Clearing permit details  |   |                                     |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Amendments can only be made to active clearing permits.  Applications must be made more                              | Permit number for existing clearing permit  | CPS 8685/1                          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| than 90 working days prior to the existing permit expiring to ensure there is adequate time to assess the amendment. | Permit holder's name (as it appears on the existing clearing permit)                          | AngloGold Ashanti Australia 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  |   |   |    |  |     |  |    |           |        |  |
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| Applicant details  |   |   |    |  |     |  |    |           |        |  |
| To apply for an amendment to a permit you must be the current  | Are you applying as an individual, a company or incorporated body? Enter details fone only. |   |    |  |     |  |    | tails for |        |  |
| holder of the existing permit. Include Australian Company  | An<br>individual  | Title   | Mr |  | Mrs |  | Ms |           | Other: |  |
| Number (ACN) if the proposed permit holder is a body corporate   |   | Name/s  |    |  |     |  |    |           |        |  |
| or other entity formed at law.   | OR  |   |    |  |     |  |    |           |        |  |
|  | A body cor other entity law (include  | AngloGold Ashanti Australia Limited (ACN 008 737 424) |    |  |     |  |    |           |        |  |
| Applicant contact details  |   |   |    |  |     |  |    |           |        |  |
| If applying as a company or incorporated body, please also supply the registered business office address.  |   |   |    |  |     |  |    |           |        |  |
| DWER and DMIRS prefer to send all correspondence electronically 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") electronically 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  |   |   |    |  |     |  |    |           |        |  |
| 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  |  |  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
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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.  | $\boxtimes$  |  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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 or boundary of the area to be cleared. |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>a photocopy of the granted<br/>clearing permit, with proposed<br/>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 cleared [for an area permit only]                                 |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| When providing details of the proposed change(s), if any   |  | _  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| additional clearing is proposed, include details of:   |  |  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>the proposed method of the clearing;</li> </ul>   | Other.  Provide details of the proposed change(s), and the rationale for it / them.  |  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| the purpose of the clearing;   |  |  |             | nem. |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| the period within which the<br>clearing is proposed to be<br>undertaken (taking note of the  | 1. C<br>2. Ir  | <b>5</b> ,   |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| published minimum<br>assessment timeframes for<br>DWER / DMIRS, as applicable);  | A total of 116.8 ha has been cleared under the existing permit as reported in the 2022 Annual Clearing Permit Report leaving 43.2 ha of approved clearing remaining. The proposed amendment will increase this to 103.2 ha.  |  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| <ul><li>and</li><li>the final land use.</li></ul>  | The approved footprint of clearing is not proposed to be changed. The additional clearing is required to support the construction, installation, and maintenance of renewable energy infrastructure, including wind turbines to support mining operations. The area applied for provides flexibility in the transport routes of the renewable energy equipment and components, particularly the large wind turbine blades. |  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| 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      | 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.  |  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| have the authority of the landowner to access the land   | [Attach evidence of authority. Note that a letter of authority must explicitly state the applicant has authority to clear on the land.]  |  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| and undertake the clearing.  |  |  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| Provide additional property details if required – if applying to extend the size of the area to be cleared into another land parcel. | 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.   |  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| You must provide evidence that avoidance and mitigation  |  | alternatives that would avoid or minimise the need   | $\boxtimes$ | Yes  |             | No |  |  |  |  |  |
| options have been pursued to   | for clearing been considered and applied?  |  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| eliminate, reduce or otherwise mitigate the need for, and scale  |  |  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| of, the proposed clearing of native vegetation.  | The proposed footprint area has been considered for ways to minimise environmental impacts. The area applied for is the maximum anticipated to cover all contingencies. AGAA will endeavour to limit the clearing undertaken to the minimum required, including trimming of tall vegetation while leaving the understory vegetation intact where possible.   |  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |
| Refer to DWER's <u>Clearing of</u> <u>native vegetation offsets</u> <u>procedure guideline available</u>                             |  | ou want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal our application?   |             | Yes  | $\boxtimes$ | No |  |  |  |  |  |
| on the DWER website, and the   | If yes, provide details, and complete and attach Appendix A of the <i>Clearing of native</i> vegetation offsets procedure guideline.   |  |             |      |             |    |  |  |  |  |  |