



GOVERNMENT OF
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number: 870 / 2

File Number: A1537200501

Duration of Permit: From 1 October 2006 to 1 October 2011

PERMIT HOLDER

LionOre Australia (Avalon) Pty Ltd

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

M25/77

M25/76

M25/78

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

1. Clearing of up to 74 hectares of native vegetation within the area cross hatched in yellow on attached Plan 870/1.

CONDITIONS

1. The Permit Holder shall record the following for each instance of clearing: location where clearing occurred (using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994); purpose of the clearing; area cleared in hectares; and area rehabilitated in hectares.
2. The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Director, Environment Division of the Department of Industry and Resources each year setting out the records gathered against condition 1 of this permit in relation to clearing carried out the previous year. This report can be included as an addendum to the Annual Environmental Report.
3. Before commencing clearing within the area to which this clearing permit applies, the permit holder shall procure a suitably qualified person to:
 - i. during spring, conduct a series of vegetation transects and site plot surveys within the area covered by the clearing permit and identify all of the ephemeral species located along the transects and in each of the plot areas. The location of the transects and the site plot surveys shall be selected from the areas where rare or priority ephemeral species are likely to be found based on a site visit, the suitably qualified person's experience and known habitat preferences of the ephemeral species of conservation significance that may potentially occur in the clearing permit area.
 - ii. undertake vegetation mapping;
 - iii. record the ephemeral flora species the suitably qualified person identifies during the above transects and site plot surveys; and
 - iv. if rare or priority ephemeral species are identified during the above transects or site plot surveys, record the location and distribution at which those species were identified.
4. The permit holder shall, upon completion of the survey required by condition 3, provide a report to the Director, Environment Division, of the Department of Industry and Resources setting out the ephemeral species identified by the suitably qualified person during the survey and where relevant, the location and distribution of any rare or priority ephemeral species identified.
5. The Permit Holder shall not clear priority flora unless the clearing is in accordance with a management plan approved by the Director, Environment Division, Department of Industry and Resources.

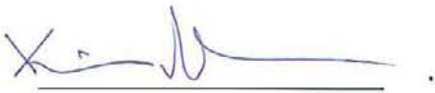
6. In this permit,

“Annual Environmental Report” means a report produced as a result of a requirement of tenement conditions 22 (for M25/76), 19 (for M25/77) and 17 (for M25/78) under the *Mining Act 1978*.

“ephemeral species” means plant species that complete their life cycle over one growing season.

“priority flora” means species listed as priority flora in: Atkins Ken (2005). Declared rare and priority flora list for Western Australia, 22 February 2005, published by the Department of Conservation and Land Management or the latest version of that list.

“suitably qualified person” means a person who has had formal training and/or experience in ecology and taxonomy of Australian Flora, with a minimum of three years experience in the survey of WA’s flora and vegetation, preferably with knowledge and experience in the region being surveyed

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Kim Anderson

DIRECTOR
ENVIRONMENT DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES

13 July 2006