

CLEARING PERMIT

Granted under section 51E of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

PERMIT DETAILS

Purpose Permit Number: 874 / 2 File Number: A1575/200501

Duration of Permit: From 20 September 2007 to 31 January 2011

PERMIT HOLDER BHP Billiton Nickel West

LAND ON WHICH CLEARING IS TO BE DONE

Mining Leases: M69/72, M69/73 and M69/75

Exploration Licence: E69/2201

AUTHORISED ACTIVITY

1. Clearing of up to 4 hectares for the purposes of mineral exploration within the areas indicated on attached Plan 874/2a.

CONDITIONS

- 1. The Permit Holder shall not clear within 20 m of the boundaries of the Priority 3 flora population of *Macrocorys macradeniae*, as indicated on attached Plans 874/2a and 874/2b.
- 2. For each instance of clearing done under this permit, the Permit Holder must record:
 - a) the co-ordinates of areas cleared using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
 - b) the size of the areas cleared in hectares;
 - c) the dates on which the area was cleared.
- 3. For each instance of clearing recorded under Condition 2, the Permit Holder must, within 6 months of the completion of exploration activities, rehabilitate all cleared areas by re-shaping the surface so that it is consistent with the surrounding 5 metres of uncleared land, and re-spreading the topsoil and vegetative material over each cleared area.
- 4. For each area rehabilitated under Condition 3 of this permit, the Permit Holder must record;
 - a) the co-ordinates of areas rehabilitated using Geocentric Datum Australia 1994;
 - b) the size of the areas rehabilitated in hectares; and
 - c) the dates on which the area was rehabilitated.
- 5. The Permit Holder shall provide a report to the Director, Environment Division, Department of Industry and Resources by 1 February each year, setting out the records required under Conditions 2 and 4 of this permit in relation to clearing carried out between 1 January and 31 December of the previous year.

Graham Cobby DIRECTOR

ENVIRONMENT DIVISION

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND RESOURCES

Officer with delegated authority under Section 20 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986

20 September 2007