



Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER)
 Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DMIRS)

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.

For further information on the stages of assessment for clearing permit applications, refer to the [Procedure: Native vegetation clearing permits](#) on DWER's website.

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Part 1: Assessment bilateral agreement	
<p>The native vegetation clearing processes under Part V of the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> (WA) (EP Act) have been accredited by the Commonwealth of Australia under the <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i> (Cth) (EPBC Act) and can be assessed under an assessment bilateral agreement.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>For further information see <i>Form Annex C7</i> and <i>A guide to native vegetation clearing processes under the assessment bilateral agreement</i> available at www.der.wa.gov.au/our-work/clearing-permits.</p>	Do you want your proposed clearing action assessed in accordance with, or under, an EPBC Act Accredited Process such as the assessment bilateral agreement?
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes EPBC Number:
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Proceed to Part 2
	List the controlling provisions identified in the notification of the controlled action decision.
<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Form Annex C7</i> 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.	<p>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.</p> <p>Nannine - Mining Leases: G51/9, L51/18, L51/33, L51/34, M51/6, M51/12, M51/31, M51/33, M51/53, M51/62, M51/75, M51/96, M51/203, M51/320, M51/321, M51/334, M51/374, M51/486, M51/496, M51/524, M51/568, M51/569, M51/572, M51/575, M51/581, M51/793, M51/794, M51/795, M51/819, M51/820.</p>		
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Part 3: Applicant details				
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<p>If granted, the applicant will be considered the holder of the permit.</p> <p>Include the Australian Company Number (ACN) if the proposed permit holder is a body corporate or other entity formed at law.</p>	<p>Are you applying as an individual, a company or an incorporated body? Enter details for one only.</p>			
	<p>An individual</p>	<p>Title</p> <p>Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="text"/></p>	<p>Name(s)</p>	
	OR			
	<p>A body corporate or other entity formed at law (include ACN)</p>	<p>Big Bell Gold Operations Pty Ltd ACN - 090 642 809</p>		
	<p>"I am..." (mark applicable box or boxes)</p>			
	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the owner of the land.</p>			
	<p><input type="checkbox"/> acting on behalf of the owner and have attached an agent's authority, expressly authorising me to act on behalf of the landowner. <i>[Attach a copy of the authorisation (see "Authority to access land", below)]</i></p>			
<p><input type="checkbox"/> likely to become the owner of the land. <i>[Attach evidence of the pending transfer of ownership, contract of sale ('offer and acceptance') or letter from current landowner.]</i></p>				
<p><input type="checkbox"/> the person doing the clearing.</p>				
<p><input type="checkbox"/> the person on whose behalf the clearing is being done.</p>				
Applicant contact details				
<p>If applying as a company or incorporated body, please also supply the registered business office address.</p> <p>DWER and DMIRS prefer to send all correspondence electronically via email.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>Provide contact details for the above individual or body corporate.</p>			
	<p>Contact person (and position, if applicable)</p>	<p>[REDACTED]</p>		
	<p>Company name (if applicable)</p>	<p>[REDACTED]</p>		
	<p>Postal / business address</p>	<p>[REDACTED]</p>		
	<p>Phone (fixed line)</p>	<p>[REDACTED]</p>	<p>Phone (mobile)</p>	<p>[REDACTED]</p>
	<p>Email address</p>	<p>[REDACTED]</p>		
<p><i>I consent to all written correspondence between myself (the applicant) and DWER/DMIRS (as applicable), regarding the subject of this application, being exclusively via email, using the email address I have provided above.</i></p>			<p>Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/></p>

Part 3: Applicant details (continued)		
Authority to access land		
<p>To apply for a permit you must be the landowner, or have the authority of the landowner to access the land and undertake the clearing.</p> <p>Evidence of authority can include, for example, a copy of the certificate of title or a letter of authority signed by the landowner or other person with authority to give land access permission.</p>	<p>State the nature of the applicant's authority to access the land to be cleared. <i>[Attach evidence of authority. Note that a letter of authority must explicitly state that the applicant has authority to clear on the land and must be signed by a person with authority to give land access permission.]</i></p> <p>Big Bell Gold Operations is the current leaseholder of all mining tenements upon which this clearing permit covers. Records of current lease holding is provided as Attachment 1 with this application.</p>	
Landowner's ownership of land		
<p>A landowner can be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a person who holds the certificate of title; • a person who is the lessee of Crown land; or • a public authority that is responsible for care of the land. 	<p>The landowner's form of ownership is:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Certificate of title <i>[Attach a copy of the certificate and all associated encumbrances with the application – available from Landgate].</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Pastoral lease <i>[Attach a copy of the lease and all associated encumbrances].</i></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mining lease.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Public authority that has care, control or management of the land.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Other form of lease, land tenure or specific arrangement.</p> <p>Please state: <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/></p>	
	Contact details for enquiries	
	<p>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.</p>	<p>Where contact details differ to those of the applicant, complete the below section:</p> <p>Contact person (and position, if applicable) <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/></p> <p>Company name (if applicable) <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/></p> <p>Postal / business address <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/> <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/></p> <p>Phone (fixed line) <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/> Phone (mobile) <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/></p> <p>Email address <input style="width: 150px;" type="text"/></p>

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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geometry type: Polygon shape • Coordinate system: GDA 1994 (Geographic latitude/longitude) • Datum: GDA 1994 (Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994). <p>An ESRI shapefile must be provided if the application requires an assessment under an EPBC Act accredited process.</p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Total area of clearing proposed (hectares)</td> <td>1,616 hectares</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: center;"><i>and/or</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td>number of individual trees to be removed</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Total area of clearing proposed (hectares)	1,616 hectares	<i>and/or</i>		number of individual trees to be removed	
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	Proposed method of clearing:	Clearing boundaries will be demarcated in the field and subsequently cleared via a earthmoving equipment which will stockpile all cleared materials at the clearing perimeter.					
	Purpose of clearing:	Mine Exploration, Mine Operations, mine dewatering pipeline					
	Period within which clearing is proposed to be undertaken, e.g. May 2020 to June 2020 (taking note of the published assessment timeframes for DWER / DMIRS, as applicable)	From 01/01/2021 to 31/12/2026					
Final land use:	Rehabilitated mine landforms, pastoral activity						
<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>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Have alternatives that would avoid or minimise the need for clearing been considered and applied?</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Yes</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td>No</td> </tr> </table>	Have alternatives that would avoid or minimise the need for clearing been considered and applied?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>	No	
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<p>If yes, provide details:</p> <p>Only areas required for mining operations will be cleared. This practice is controlled through use of an internal clearing approval process. Where practical, areas of existing disturbance will be utilised to limit additional/new disturbance.</p> <p>Where possible, raised blade clearing will minimise disruption to surface soils.</p>							
<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>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Do you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal with your application?</td> <td><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td>Yes</td> <td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td>No</td> </tr> </table>	Do you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal with your application?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No	
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<p>If yes, provide details, and complete and attach Appendix A of the <i>Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure guideline</i>.</p>							