

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 <u>Procedure: Native vegetation clearing permits</u> on DWER's website.

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## Part 1: Assessment bilateral agreement

The native vegetation clearing processes under Part V of the	Do you want your proposed clearing action assessed in accordance with, or under, an EPBC Act Accredited Process such as the assessment bilateral agreement?						
Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA) (EP Act) have been accredited by the Commonwealth of Australia under the		Yes	EPBC Number:				
Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act	$\boxtimes$	No	Proceed to Part 2				
1999 (Cth) (EPBC Act) and can be assessed under an assessment bilateral agreement.	List the controlling provisions identified in the notification of the controlled action decision.						
To be assessed in this manner, the proposed clearing action must be referred to the Commonwealth under the EPBC Act and deemed a <u>'controlled action</u> ' 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.		Form	Annex C7 is comple	e 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.					
	Big Bell – Mining Leases: M20/98 and M20/197					
FILE REFERENCE	Street address	Beringarra-Cue Road (Coodardy)				
	Local government area	Shire of Cue				

Part 3: Applicant details											
Applicant details											
If granted, the applicant will be considered the holder of the	Are you applying as an individual, a company or an incorporated body? Enter details for one only.										details for
permit. Include the Australian Company Number (ACN) if the proposed permit holder is a body corporate	An		Title	Mr		Mrs		Ms		Other:	
	indivio	dual	Name(s)								
or other entity formed at law.	OR										
	A body corporate or other entity formed at law (include ACN) Big Bell Gold Operations Pty Ltd ACN: 090 642 809										
	"I am…" (mark applicable box or boxes)										
	$\boxtimes$	the owner of the land.									
	acting on behalf of the owner and have attached an agent's authority, expressly authorising me to act on behalf of the landowner. [Attach a copy of the authorisation (see "Authority to access land", below)]										
	[Attach evidence of the pending transfer of ownership, contract of sale ('offer and acceptance') or letter from current landowner.]										
	the person doing the clearing.										
		the p	person on w	hose be	half the	clearin	g is bei	ng done			
Applicant contact details											
If applying as a company or	Provide contact details for the above individual or body corporate.										
incorporated body, please also supply the registered business office address.	Contact person (and position, if applicable)										
DWER and DMIRS prefer to send all correspondence electronically											
via email. We request that you consent to	Company name (if applicable)										
receiving all correspondence											
relating to instruments and notices under Part V of the EP	Postal / business address										
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	Phone	e (fixe	d line)	Phone (mobile)							
DMIRS (as applicable) will be											
sent to you via email, to the email address provided in this section.	Email address										
Where 'no' has been selected, Part V documents will be posted											
to you in hard copy to the	I consent to all written correspondence between myself								Yes	No	
postal/business address you have provided in this section. Other general correspondence may still be sent to you via email.	applicant) and DWER/DMIRS (as applicable), regarding the subject of this application, being exclusively via email, using the email address I have provided above.										
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Part 3: Applicant details (continu	ed)									
Authority to access land										
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. 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.	State the nature of the applicant's authority to access the land to be cleared. [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.] Big Bell Gold Operations Pty Ltd is the sole leaseholder of the mining tenements listed within this application.									
Landowner's ownership of land										
A landowner can be: The landowner's form of ownership is:										
<ul> <li>a person who holds the certificate of title;</li> </ul>	Certificate of title [Attach a copy of the certificate and all associated encumbrances with the application – available from Landgate].									
• a person who is the lessee of Crown land; or	Pastoral lease [Attach a copy of the lease and all associated encumbrances].									
• a public authority that is responsible for care of the land.	Mining lease.									
	Public authority that has care, control or management of the land.									
	Other form of lease, land tenure or specific arrangement.									
	Please state:									
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	Where contact details differ to those of the applicant, complete the below section:         Contact person (and position, if applicable)         Company name									
application.	(if applicable)									
	Postal / business address									
	Phone (fixed line) Phone (mobile)									
	Email address									

Part 4: Proposed clearing										
An aerial photograph and/or map with a north arrow must be attached, clearly marking the area proposed to be cleared <i>or</i> 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: • Geometry type: Polygon	Total <b>area</b> of clearing proposed (hectares) Up to 363ha									
	and/or									
	number of individual <b>trees</b> to be removed									
	Proposed method of clearing:									
	Proposed disturbance areas will be surveyed and demarcated using pegs and flagging tape prior to clearing. A dozer will be utilised for the grubbing of vegetation and the removal of at least 150mm of topsoil. All removed topsoil will be stockpiled for rehabilitation.									
<ul><li>shape</li><li>Coordinate system: GDA</li></ul>	Purpose of clearing:									
1994 (Geographic latitude/longitude)	Development of the Accelerator/Indicator Project to allow for the construction of pits, waste dumps, run-of-mine pads and office, workshop and other site infrastructure.									
Datum: GDA 1994     (Geocentric Datum of     Australia 1994).	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)									
An ESRI shapefile must be	From May 2021 to Decembe					r 2026				
provided if the application	Final land use:									
requires an assessment under an EPBC Act accredited process.	The area will be rehabilitated in accordance with the mining proposal and mine closure plan criteria. The final land use is expected to be pastoral.									
You must provide evidence that avoidance and mitigation	Have alternatives that would avoid or minimise the need for clearing been considered and applied?									
options have been pursued to eliminate, reduce or otherwise mitigate the need for, and scale of, the proposed clearing of native vegetation.	If yes, provide details:									
	Only areas required for mining operations will be cleared. This practice is controlled through use of an internal surface disturbance permitting process.									
Refer to DWER's <u>Clearing of</u> <u>native vegetation offsets</u>	Do you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal U Yes No No								No	
procedure guideline available on the DWER website, and the Environmental Protection	If yes, provide details, and complete and attach Appendix A of the <i>Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure</i> guideline.									
Authority's (EPA) <u>WA</u> <u>Environmental Offsets Policy</u> <u>and Guidelines</u> on the EPA website for further information.										