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#### **CLEARING PERMIT APPLICATION FOR BARDOC GOLD PROJECT**

Bardoc requests a clearing permit for the purposes refurbishing the existing Scotia Bore field. There is an existing pipeline, scour pits, transfer tanks and access road within the footprint of the proposed clearing area. It is proposed that the existing bore field is refurbished with new pumping infrastructure, pipeline, power corridor (for sections where not already in place); and a transfer tank.

The bore field has been on care and maintenance since the late 1990s the areas surrounding the bores are clear and most of the access track is navigable. However, some vegetation has re-established and requires clearing to conduct works to refurbish the bore field. An investigative study to test efficiency of the bores was recently conducted and included drilling of a number of exploration water bores to model the hydrogeology of the paleochannel. Therefore, there are recent disturbances within the bore field area which was managed in accordance with a POW. A power line and pastoral fence line runs parallel with much of the bore field pipeline route and cleared vegetation has been maintained for those areas.

It is proposed that no more than 43.5ha of clearing will be undertaken with much of the clearing already in place, therefore the permit is just to remove any remnant vegetation that has overgrown in an already previously disturbed area. There are no registered Aboriginal sites within the disturbance footprint and therefore no areas of heritage value will be disturbed. There are two active Malleefowl mounds identified within the proposed clearing area, these will remain in-tact and the mounds will not be disturbed.

A number of baseline studies have been undertaken to provide context to this application. An index of supporting documentation is itemised in Table 1.

**Table 1: Index of Supporting Documentation**

Document Title	Summary of Contents
Clearing Area Scotia Bore field	Spatial data files to delineate the clearing permit footprint
Bardoc Scotia Bore field Flora and Fauna Report	Flora & Fauna survey report (L24/148, L24/202, L24/203)
Figure 1	Map of the proposed clearing area location
Figure 2	Locations of existing bores
AHIS Registered Aboriginal Sites	AHIS Search of Registered Aboriginal Heritage Sites
Tenement Summary Reports	Mining Tenement Summary Reports

If you require any further information for the assessment of the native vegetation clearing permit, please contact me on telephone 0408 686 625 or via email [hchernoff@bardocgold.com.au](mailto:hchernoff@bardocgold.com.au)

Yours sincerely,

