

GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Part 1: Assessment bilateral agreement

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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The native vegetation clearing processes under Part V of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA) (EP Act) have been accredited by the Commonwealth of Australia under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) (EPBC Act) and can be assessed under an assessment bilateral agreement. 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. 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.	Do you want your proposed clearing action assessed in accordance with, or under, an EPBC Act Accredited Process such as the assessment bilateral agreement?								
		Yes	EPBC Numbe	:					
	\boxtimes	No	Proceed to Pa	Part 2					
	List the controlling provisions identified in the notification of the controlled action decision.								
		Form	Annex C7 is co	nplete a	nd 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.								
	Clearing is proposed to be conducted on tenements L36/246, M36/474, M36/541, M36/473, M36/462, M36/35, M36/527 & M36/504.								
FILE REFERENCE	Street	addres	SS	N/A					
	Local	govern	ment area	Shires	s of Leonora				

Part 3: Applicant details													
Applicant details													
If granted, the applicant will be considered the holder of the	Are yo		plying as an	n individual, a company or an incorporated body? Enter details for									
permit. Include the Australian Company Number (ACN) if the proposed permit holder is a body corporate or other entity formed at law.	An		Title	Mr		Mrs		Ms		Other:			
	individ	dual	Name(s)										
	OR												
	A body corporate or other entity formed at law (include ACN) Northern Star Resources Limited (ACN 092 832 892)												
	"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 a copy of the authorisation (see "Authority to access land", below)]											
		likely to become the owner of the land.											
	[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 person on whose behalf the clearing is being 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.	Company name (if applicable)												
We request that you consent to receiving all correspondence													
relating to instruments and notices under Part V of the EP	Postal / business												
Act ("Part V documents") electronically via email by	address												
indicating your consent in this													
section of the application form. Where 'yes' is selected, all	Dhon	o (five	ud lina)	_		.	Dhono	(mobile)					
correspondence from DWER or	Phone (fixed line) Phone (mobile)												
DMIRS (as applicable) will be sent to you via email, to the email	Email address												
address provided in this section.													
Where 'no' has been selected, Part V documents will be posted													
to you in hard copy to the postal/business address you have	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.								Yes	No			
provided in this section. Other general correspondence may still be sent to you via email.													

Part 3: Applicant details (continued)								
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	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.]							
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.	L36/246, M36/474, M36/541, M36/473, M36/462, M36/35, M36/527, M36/504							
Landowner's ownership of land								
A landowner can be:	The landowner's form of ownership is:							
a person who holds the certificate of title;	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	Where contact details differ to those of the applicant, complete the below section:							
contact details, enter the contact details of a person with whom DWER or DMIRS should liaise with concerning this clearing application.	Contact person (and position, if applicable)							
	Company name (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 or 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 shape Coordinate system: GDA 1994 (Geographic latitude/longitude) Datum: GDA 1994 (Geocentric Datum of Australia 1994).	proposed	ea of clearing d (hectares)	362ha with	S2ha with an approved envelope of 1231ha							
	and/or										
	number of individual trees to be removed										
	Proposed method of clearing:										
	Vegetation removal by front end loader or bulldozer, with topsoil subsequently stripped and stockpiled.										
	Purpose of clearing:										
	Construction of private haul road between Orelia open pit mine and Thunderbox Processing Plant, thereby reducing road train haulage distance and interaction with public road users.										
	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	February 2022		to	August 202)22					
An ESRI shapefile must be provided if the application requires an assessment under an EPBC Act accredited process.	Final land use:										
	As per Mine Closure Plan (REG ID 99184) in consultation with DMIRS and relevant stakeholders.										
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.	Have alternatives that would avoid or minimise the need for clearing been considered and applied?										
	If yes, provide details:										
	An alternative haulage route does exist however, is not considered favourable for the following reasons:										
	 A portion of its tenure is held by other mining tenement holders, therefore does not provide sufficient security for long term haulage. The alternative route is located on a public road, therefore increasing the likelihood of interactions with public road users; and, Travelling the alternative route increases haulage distance therefore increasing risk driver fatigue. 										
	For further information refer to supporting information document.										
Refer to DWER's <u>Clearing of</u> <u>native vegetation offsets</u> <u>procedure guideline</u> available on the DWER website, and the Environmental Protection	Do you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal With your application?							No			
	If yes, provide details, and complete and attach Appendix A of the Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure guideline.										
Authority's (EPA) <u>WA</u> <u>Environmental Offsets Policy</u> <u>and Guidelines</u> on the EPA website for further information.											