

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

## Application to amend a clearing permit

Environmental Protection Act 1986, section 51KA

## FORM C4

Part 1: Assessment bilateral agreement

The clearing of native vegetation is prohibited in Western Australia unless a clearing permit has been granted for the clearing or where a permit is not required (either due to a referral determination that one is not needed or because 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 (including amendments to existing permits), see the <u>Procedure: Native vegetation clearing permits</u> on DWER's website.

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If the amendment of a clearing	Do you want your proposed clearing action assessed in accordance with, or under, an					
permit will or is likely to impact on a matter of national environmental	EPBC Act Accredited Process such as the assessment bilateral agreement?					
significance identified under the Environment Protection and		Yes EPBC number:				
Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999 (Cth) (EPBC Act) the original	No Proceed to Part 2					
application must have been assessed in accordance with the bilateral assessment, and a	List the decis		s identified in the notification of the controlled	action		
variation under the EPBC Act is required prior to submitting this amendment application form.						
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.						
Further information is located in						
Form Annex C7 and A guide to native vegetation clearing processes under the Assessment bilateral agreement available at www.der.wa.gov.au/ourwork/clearing-permits.	☐ Form Annex C7 is complete and the required supporting information is attached.					
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Part 2: Clearing permit details						
Amendments can only be made to active clearing permits.  Applications must be made more		it number for existing ing permit	CPS 9614/3			
than 90 working days prior to the existing permit expiring to ensure there is adequate time to assess the amendment.	appe	it holder's name (as it ars on the existing ing permit)	Regis Resources Limited			
FILE REFERENCE	Perm	it expiry date:	30 April 2027			
	Mark this box if there are less than 90 working days until the expiry of the existing permit.					

Part 3: Applicant									
Applicant details									
To apply for an amendment to a permit you must be the current holder of the existing permit.	Are you applying as an individual, a company or incorporated body? Enter details to one only.				etails for				
Include Australian Company	An	Title	Mr		Mrs		Ms	Other:	
Number (ACN) if the proposed permit holder is a body corporate or other entity formed at law.	individual OR	Name/s							
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Applicant contact details									
If applying as a company or incorporated body, please also supply the registered business office address.  DWER and DMIRS prefer to send all correspondence via email.									
We request that you consent to receiving all correspondence relating to instruments and notices under Part V of the EP									
Act ("Part V documents") via email by indicating your consent in this section of the application form.									
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.									
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.									
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									ı
application.	-								

Part 4: Proposed amendments								
Additional information to support the assessment of your application to amend may be	Indicate the types of proposed change(s) to your clearing permit by selecting the relevant box(es):							
attached.	Extend the duration of the clearing permit.							
Please ensure you have included the following as part of your application:		Vary / add / remove a permit condition relating to a matter other than the six boundary of the area to be cleared.						
a photocopy of the granted clearing permit, with proposed changes highlighted,	$\boxtimes$	Amend the size of the area permitted to be cleared, or add / remove a land parcel on the clearing permit.						
<ul><li>and</li><li>payment of the prescribed fee.</li></ul>		Redescribe the boundary of the area authorised to be cleared [for an area permit only]						
When providing details of the proposed change(s), if any additional clearing is proposed,								
include details of:  • the proposed method of the		Other.						
clearing;	Provide details of the proposed change(s), and the rationale(s) for it / them.							
the purpose of the clearing;	Amendment to CPS 9614/3 is being sought for:							
the period within which the clearing is proposed to be undertaken (taking note of the published minimum assessment timeframes for DWER / DMIRS, as applicable);  and	<ul> <li>Expansion of mining activities at Regis' existing Gloster Gold Mine (on M38/1268 and bringing in L38/257 to the clearing permit).</li> <li>Expansion of the legacy Reichelt's Find mine on M38/341.</li> <li>Expansion of the legacy King of Creation mine on M38/160 (plus accounting for a split in M38/160 to include a new tenement M38/1304).</li> <li>Development of a new haul road between Rosemont and Garden Well which will incorporate a new tenement L38/383.</li> </ul>							
and	Clearing will be undertaken by use of a bulldozer and stripping of topsoil.							
the final land use.	The purpose of most of the clearing will be for pit and waste dump expansions. Smaller areas will be required for support infrastructure, stockpiles and roads.							
	Clearing is anticipated to commence in May 2024. Not all areas are expected to be cleared at once, but it reasonable to expect the bulk of the clearing will be completed by 1 January 2027.  Final land use will comprise land compatible for management with surrounding Pastoral							
	Stations.							
For an application to amend the size of the area permitted to be cleared, or add a land parcel to the clearing permit, you must have the authority of the	State the nature of the applicant's authority to access the land to be cleared. Evidence of authority can include e.g. a copy of the certificate of title or a letter of authority signed by the landowner or other person with authority to give legal land access permission.  [Attach evidence of authority. Note that a letter of authority must explicitly state the applicant has authority to clear on the land.]							
landowner to access the land and undertake the clearing.	Additional tenure for this amendment includes L38/257, L38/383 and M38/1304 which are all held by Regis Resources Limited or jointly held with its subsidiary Duketon Resources Pty Ltd.							
Provide additional property details if required – if applying to extend	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.							
the size of the area to be cleared into another land parcel.	Tenements M38/1268, L38/257, M38/341, L38/383, M38/160, M38/1304.							
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	If yes, provide details:							
mitigate the need for, and scale of, the proposed clearing of native vegetation.	At King of Creation, expansion options to the south were assessed but not considered viable due to heritage locations.							
	At Reichelt's Find, tenure is extremely limited. Options have sought to balance clearing against creating drainage impacts. The final result has been to increase clearing							

Part 4: Proposed amendments									
	footprint for waste dumps to avoid placement in drainage lines which would create upstream drainage issues. Backfilling has also been identified for the northern end of Reichelt's Find.  The route chosen for the Rosemont to Garden Well Haul Road has partially used the Baneygo haul road, and despite the presence of the Priority 4 taxon <i>Eremophila pungens</i> , the road has been designed to minimise impacts. <i>Eremophila pungens</i> has been recorded during most surveys across the Duketon Gold Project.								
Refer to DWER's <u>Clearing of</u> <u>native vegetation offsets</u>	Do you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal with your application?								
procedure guideline available on the DWER website, and the EPA's WA Environmental Offsets Policy and Guidelines on the EPA website for further information.	If yes, provide details, and complete and attach Appendix A of the Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure guideline.								
Part 5: Other DWER approvals									
<ul> <li>Instructions:</li> <li>If your application is to be submitted to DMIRS, complete Section A and then skip to Part 6 of this form.</li> <li>If your application is to be submitted to DWER, complete both Sections A and B.</li> </ul>									
Section A: Environmental Impact	Assessment								
Environmental Impact Assessme	nt (Part IV of the EP A	ct)							
Has this clearing application or any related matter been referred to the Environmental Protection Authority?			Yes – provide details [ The DGP was originally referred to the EPA. The EPA assessed the project did not "require formal assessment by the EPA and the subsequent setting of conditions by the Minister for Environment]						
			□ No						
Do you intend to refer the proposal to the Environmental Protection Authority?			Yes – intend to refer (proposal is a 'significant proposal')						
Section 37B(1) of the EP Act defines a 'significant proposal' as "a proposal likely, if implemented, to have a significant effect on the environment".  If a decision-making authority (e.g. DWER or DMIRS) considers that the proposal in this application is likely to constitute a 'significant proposal', they are required under section 38(5) of the EP Act to refer the proposal to the EPA for assessment			Yes – intend to refer (proposal will require a section 45C amendment to the current Ministerial Statement)  MS [ ]						
			No – a current valid Ministerial Statement applies:  MS [ ]						
under Part IV, if such a referral has not already been made.  If a relevant Ministerial Statement already exists, please provide the MS number in the space provided.			No – not a 'significant proposal'						
Section B: Other approvals									
Pre-application scoping									
Have you had any pre-application / pre-referral / scoping meetings with DWER regarding any planned applications?			No						
			Yes – provide details: [ ]						
Works approval / Licence / Registration (Part V Division 3 of the EP Act)									
Have you applied or do you intend to apply for a works approval, licence, registration, or an amendment to any of the above, under Part V Division 3 of the EP Act?  It is an offence to perform any action that would cause a premises to become a prescribed premises of a type listed in			☐ Yes – application reference (if known): [ ]						
			☐ No – a valid works approval applies: [ ]						
			No − a valid licence applies: [L8578/2011/1]						