

CLEARING REFERRAL DETERMINATION NOTICE

Referral details

Referral number:	REF 10962/1
Referral submitted by:	Phosphate Resources Limited trading as Christmas Island Phosphates
Purpose of proposed clearing:	Hazard reduction
Location of proposed clearing:	Multiple mining tenements MCI 70/1A, GCI 70/1 and GCI 70/2
Locality:	Christmas Island
Clearing size:	7.7 hectares within a 27 hectare footprint

Referral determination:

The Department of Water and Environmental Regulation has considered the above referral and determined under section 51DA(3) of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (the EP Act) that a clearing permit **is required** for the proposed clearing of the areas cross-hatched orange on the attached map detailed in Schedule 1 (the referral area).

The reason for this determination is that the proposed clearing does not satisfy all of the criteria specified in s.51DA(4) of the EP Act. Specifically:

• there are issues that would arise as a result of the proposed clearing that are likely to require conditions to manage or mitigate effects on the environment.

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Schedule 1: Map



Figure 1: Map of the referral area within which clearing of native vegetation requires a clearing permit.