GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER)
Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration (DMPE)

Application to amend a clearing permit

Environmental Protection Act 1986, section 51KA

FORM C4

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 *Procedure: Native vegetation clearing permits* on DWER's website.

CPS No.
Date stamp

Part 1: Assessment bilateral agreement

If the amendment of a clearing permit will or is likely to impact on a matter of national environmental significance identified under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (Cth) (EPBC Act) the original application must have been assessed in accordance with the bilateral assessment, and a 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 Native vegetation clearing permits | Western Australian Government

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 number:
☒	No	Proceed to Part 2

List the controlling provisions identified in the notification of the controlled action decision.

☐ *Form Annex C7* is complete and the required supporting information is attached.

Part 2: Clearing permit details

Amendments can only be made to active clearing permits.

Applications must be made more than 90 working days prior to the existing permit expiring to ensure there is adequate time to assess the amendment.

FILE REFERENCE

Permit number for existing clearing permit	CPS 11153/1
Permit holder's name (as it appears on the existing clearing permit)	Public Transport Authority of Western Australia
Permit expiry date:	[redacted]
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.

Include Australian Company Number (ACN) if the proposed permit holder is a body corporate or other entity formed at law.

Are you applying as an individual, a company or incorporated body? Enter details for one only.

An individual

Title: Mr ☐ Mrs ☐ Ms ☐ Other:

Name/s

OR

A body corporate or other entity formed at law (include ACN)

Applicant contact details

If applying as a company or incorporated body, please also supply the registered business office address.

DWER and DMPE 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 DMPE (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.

Provide contact details for the above individual or body corporate.

Contact person (and position, if applicable)			
Company name (if applicable)			
Postal / business address			
Phone (fixed line):		Phone (mobile):	
Email address			

I consent to all written correspondence between myself (the applicant) and DWER/DMPE (as applicable), regarding the premises which is the subject of this application, being exclusively via email, using the email address I have provided above.	Yes	No
	☒	☐

Contact details for enquiries

If different from the applicant's contact details, enter the contact details of a person with whom DWER or DMPE should liaise with concerning this clearing application.

Where contact details differ to those of the applicant, complete the below section:

Contact person (and position, if applicable)			
Company name (if applicable)			
Postal / business address			
Phone (fixed line)		Phone (mobile)	
Email address			

Part 4: Proposed amendments

Additional information to support the assessment of your application to amend may be attached.

Please ensure you have included the following as part of your application:

- a photocopy of the granted clearing permit, with proposed changes highlighted,

  and

- payment of the prescribed fee.

When providing details of the proposed change(s), if any additional clearing is proposed, include details of:

- the proposed method of the clearing;
- the purpose of the clearing;
- the period within which the clearing is proposed to be undertaken (taking note of the published minimum assessment timeframes for DWER / DMPE, as applicable);

  and

- the final land use.

Indicate the types of proposed change(s) to your clearing permit by selecting the relevant box(es):

☐	Extend the duration of the clearing permit.
☐	Vary / add / remove a permit condition relating to a matter other than the size or boundary of the area to be cleared.
☒	Amend the size of the area permitted to be cleared, or add / remove a land parcel on the clearing permit.
☒	Redescribe the boundary of the area authorised to be cleared *[for an area permit only]*
☐	Make a correction to the clearing permit.
☐	Other.

Provide details of the proposed change(s), and the rationale(s) for it / them.

Reason for amendment

An amendment to CPS 11153/1 is required to accommodate additional clearing associated with cabling works. The proposed additional clearing totals 0.005 ha and is detailed in Appendix 1. The amendment brings the total clearing area to 0.215 ha.

Proposed method of clearing

Mechanical.

Total clearing area is 0.18 ha

Purpose of clearing

The purpose of the clearing is to facilitate a rail signalling upgrade.

Timeframe

Clearing will be completed by 16 October 2027 as per CPS 11153/1.

Final land use

Rail reserve

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 landowner to access the land and undertake the clearing.

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.]

PIN 11609325 is managed by the Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale – Please refer to Appendix 3 for a Letter of Authority.

Provide additional property details if required – if applying to extend the size of the area to be cleared into another land parcel.

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 additional clearing area intersects one additional property:

PIN 11609325 (Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale)

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?	☒	Yes	☐	No

If yes, provide details:

Avoidance

The Public Transport Authority (PTA) has taken several actions to avoid clearing where possible. A survey was completed prior to lodging the original NVCP application to identify environmental values in the whole rail corridor associated with the Byford extension and other PTA works. The results of this survey were considered during the design stage to avoid and minimise impacts to environmental values.

Part 4: Proposed amendments	
	The original concept for the project included a traditional buried pipe which would have required trenching of a five-metre-wide corridor over eight kilometres and require approximately four hectares of clearing. Furthermore, the original design required clearing of several pits in SCP3b TEC. Underground cabling has been moved to the already cleared PTA access track to minimise clearing. The additional 0.005 ha of clearing proposed is the minimum required to connect the existing power line to the cleared track. The PTA also initially planned to place the project further south but relocated due to the environmental values identified in the surveys. PTA only applied for the minimum area required for the construction of the monopole and TSER with site accessible through already existing tracks. **Mitigation Actions** As part of the application for the granted permit (CPS 11153/1), the mitigation actions proposed include: • fauna spotting and relocation prior to clearing • demarcation of clearing boundaries and sensitive vegetation using bunting or • fencing • weed and dieback hygiene and washdown procedures • salvage of *Xanthorrhoea preissii* (grass trees) to replant in nearby areas. These mitigation actions will also apply to the proposed additional clearing area of 0.005 ha, as well as the following additional measures: • clearing in the additional clearing area is limited to ground cover and shrubs only • no trees will be removed within the additional clearing area.
Refer to DWER's *Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure* guideline available on the DWER website, and the EPA's *WA Environmental Offsets Policy and Guidelines* on the EPA website for further information.	Do you want to submit a clearing permit offset proposal with your application? ☒ Yes ☐ No If yes, provide details, and complete and attach Appendix A of the *Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure* guideline. Offsets were applicable to the granted permit (CPS 11153/1). The PTA proposes an additional monetary offset of $2100 for the additional clearing of 0.005 ha SCP3b TEC and black cockatoo foraging habitat. WA Environmental Offsets Calculators are included in Appendix 3.

Part 5: Other DWER approvals	
Instructions: • **If your application is to be submitted to DMPE, complete Section A and then skip to Part 6 of this form.** • **If your application is to be submitted to DWER, complete both Sections A and B.**	
Section A: Environmental Impact Assessment	
Environmental Impact Assessment (Part IV of the EP Act)	
Has this clearing application or any related matter been referred to the Environmental Protection Authority?	☐ Yes – provide details [ ] ☒ No
Do you intend to refer the proposal to the Environmental Protection Authority? 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 DMPE) 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 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.	☐ Yes – intend to refer (proposal is a 'significant proposal') ☐ 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 [ ] ☒ No – not a 'significant proposal'

Part 5: Other DWER approvals	
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: PTA (Jasmine Lynn) discussed details of the application with DWER (Michelle Smart) over the phone on 10 February 2026: • PTA raised that vegetation condition mapping does not cover the entire clearing area – DWER noted that this lack of information should not preclude the PTA submitting the amendment, and that DWER will request further information if there is a data gap; • PTA asked whether the amendment should assess the additional clearing against the 10 clearing principles – DWER agreed that this would be beneficial given the new impact to a TEC; and • PTA confirmed that no trees will be cleared within the 0.005 ha additional clearing area.
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 Schedule 1 of the *Environmental Protection Regulations 1987*, unless that action is done in accordance with a works approval, licence, or registration. For further guidance, refer to *Guideline: Decision making* and *Guideline: Industry Regulation Guide to Licensing*.	☐ Yes – application reference (if known): [ ] ☐ No – a valid works approval applies: [ ] ☐ No – a valid licence applies: [ ] ☐ No – a valid registration applies: [ ] ☒ No – not required
Water licences and permits (*Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914*)	
Have you applied or do you intend to apply for: **1. a licence or amendment to a licence to take water (surface water or groundwater); or** **2. a licence or amendment to a licence to construct wells (including bores and soaks); or** **3. a permit or amendment to a permit to interfere with the bed and banks of a watercourse?** For further guidance on water licences and permits under the *Rights in Water and Irrigation Act 1914*, refer to the *Procedure: Water licences and permits*.	☐ Yes –application reference (if known): [ ] ☐ No – a current valid licence applies: [ ] ☒ N/A

Part 6: Surveys for Assessments (ISA)		
Do you wish to submit marine or biodiversity surveys in support of your application?	☐ Yes ☒ No – skip to Part 7	
Biodiversity and marine surveys submitted to support this application must be submitted via Environment Online and follow the Procedure – Preparing Data Packages for the - Index of Surveys for Assessments (ISA) at https://environmentonline.dwer.wa.gov.au/article/?code=	All biodiversity and marine surveys that support this application have been submitted to ISA via Environment Online	**Yes** ☒

Part 6: Surveys for Assessments (ISA)		
KA-00081#/ and https://environmentonline.dwer.wa.gov.au/article/?code=KA-00098 If these requirements are not met, DWER / DMPE (as applicable) may decline to deal with the application. Please provide the ISA number(s) and/or any relevant existing IBSA/IMSA numbers in the space provided. Please note DWER/DMPE will suspend the assessment timeframes for your application until the biodiversity surveys are accepted by ISA.	**ISA number(s)** (e.g. *ISA-0001234*) **IBSA/IMSA number(s)** (e.g. *IBSA-2020-0123 or IMSA-2020-0123*) Please list all numbers. If space is inadequate, list on a separate sheet.	IBSA-2025-0241 IBSA-2025-0334 IBSA-2025-0337

Part 7: Records kept under the existing clearing permit's conditions			
Most clearing permits include one or more conditions requiring that the permit holder keep certain records relating to the actions undertaken in accordance with the clearing permit. DWER / DMPE (as applicable) requires that these records are provided to support the assessment of this application. Records provided should cover: • the full period of the permit; *or* • the past five years (if the existing permit's duration is greater than five years and it was amended within the past five years).	The required records are attached.		**Yes** ☒
	Please select the relevant records included with the report. Only records required to be kept by the conditions of the existing clearing permit need to be provided.		
	☐	The total amount, location(s), and date(s) of clearing done under the permit (or within the past five years).	
	☐	Actions taken to avoid or minimise the impact and extent of clearing.	
	☐	Actions taken in relation to flora and/or fauna management.	
	☐	Actions taken to revegetate or rehabilitate the areas cleared under the permit.	
	☐	Records pertaining to any onsite or offsite environmental offsets.	
	Any other relevant records required to be kept by the conditions of the permit.		
	☒	*Summarise other records:*	Clearing has occurred in the northern area of the permit. Works are ongoing in this area and PTA are waiting on clearing records from the contractor. A demobilisation inspection is to be completed by the contractor on 8 May 2026.

Part 8: Prescribed fee

Fees are payable to the:

- **DWER** for all clearing purposes other than mineral and petroleum activities

OR

- **DMPE** for mineral and petroleum clearing activities under the *Mining Act 1978*, various Petroleum Acts, or State Agreement Acts.

DWER will only accept fees paid via either:

- DWER's BPoint system, accessible online at: *www.dwer.wa.gov.au/make-a-payment* , or
- secure EFT payment

Please include in the description the full name of permit holder

DMPE will only accept fees paid via secure credit card payment, through the DMPE online payment and application lodgement portal.

Do not send cash in the mail.

The prescribed fee is to be paid at the time of submitting the application form.

Please indicate the clearing permit application fee that you are paying.

For further guidance, refer to DWER's online clearing fees frequently asked questions.

AREA PERMIT

☒	**$50** to alter the requirements of an area permit, or to increase the area covered by an area permit by less than one hectare.
☐	**$100** to increase the area covered by an area permit by between one hectare and 10 hectares.
☐	**$200** to increase the area covered by an area permit by more than 10 hectares.

PURPOSE PERMIT

☐	**$200** to alter any requirement of a purpose permit.

Payment method (mark applicable box):

☒ **(DWER)** Secure credit card payment through BPoint

See www.dwer.wa.gov.au/make-a-payment

Note: Biller Code is '1222355 Clearing Regulation'

Receipt number: [redacted]

Date of payment:

☐ **(DWER)** Secure EFT payment

See https://dwer.wa.gov.au/make-a-payment for payment details.

State the name of the intended permit holder clearly in the EFT payment subject.

Date of payment

☐ **(DMPE)** Secure credit card payment online through the DMPE online payment and application lodgement portal.

***Please note:** All applications will be paid online and submitted simultaneously. Please save this application form, along with any supporting document ready for the submission portal and use the link above to pay and submit your application.*

A receipt will be issued upon submission only. Please ensure this receipt is saved for your records.

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Part 9: Application checklist			
Additional information to assist in the assessment of your proposed clearing may be attached to this application – e.g. reports on salinity, fauna, or flora studies, or other environmental reports conducted for the site. This information may be included in electronic format on a suitable portable digital storage device or posted with your hard copy form.	Please ensure you have included the following as part of your application:		
	REQUIRED	☒	Payment of the prescribed fee.
		☒	An aerial photograph or map with a north arrow clearly identifying the areas of vegetation proposed to be cleared or ESRI shapefile.
		☒	A report with the records required to be kept in accordance with the current clearing permit's conditions has been provided in Part 7.
		☒	An index of all documentation attached to this application.
	AS REQUIRED	☐	Copy of the certificate of title or pastoral lease.
		☐	A copy of the written authorisation permitting the applicant to act on behalf of the current clearing permit holder.
		☒	Written authority from the landowner to access the land and conduct the clearing.
		☐	*Form Annex C7 – Assessment bilateral agreement* if the clearing is also to be assessed under an EPBC Act accredited process.
		☒	Appendix A of the *Clearing of native vegetation offsets procedure* guideline if the application includes a proposal for clearing permit offsets.
		☒	ISA number has been provided in Part 6.
	ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING INFORMATION	☒	Photos of application area
		☒	Biodiversity and marine surveys, submitted in accordance with the requirements of the Procedure – Preparing Data Packages for the Index of Surveys for Assessment Procedure.

Part 10: Commercially sensitive or confidential information

Information submitted as part of this application will be made publicly available. If you wish to submit commercially sensitive or confidential information, please identify the information in Attachment 1, and include a written statement of reasons why you request each item of information be kept confidential.

DWER and DMPE will take reasonable steps under Part 3 of the *Environmental Protection (Clearing of Native Vegetation) Regulations 2004* (the Clearing Regulations) to protect confidential material and/or otherwise sensitive information (such as information of a kind listed under regulation 13 of the Clearing Regulations).

However, please note that DWER and DMPE cannot commit to redacting all personal information from all supporting documents. You are advised to ensure that all personal information, including signatures, are removed from supporting documents before you submit them to the department. Please note in particular that all submitted information may be the subject of an application for release under the *Freedom of Information Act 1992* (WA).

Information submitted later in the application process may also be made publicly available at the discretion of the relevant department. For any commercially sensitive or confidential information, please follow the same process as described above.

	Attached	N/A
All information which you would propose to be exempt from public disclosure has been separately placed in a redacted version of the application form and its supporting documentation. Note that this is in addition to the unredacted version(s) provided to DWER / DMPE (as applicable) for its assessment. Grounds for claiming exemption in accordance with Schedule 1 to the *Freedom of Information Act 1992* must be specified in **Attachment 1** (located at the end of this form).	☐	☒

Part 11: Submission of application	
Check one of the boxes below to nominate how you will submit your application. Files larger than 50MB cannot be received via email by DWER. The DMPE online portal can accept 1024MB for each attachment and files larger than 45MB cannot be received via email. Alternatively, email DWER or DMPE (as applicable) to make other arrangements. If you have any enquiries regarding the provision of relevant information as part of this application, contact either DWER or DMPE (as applicable), using the details below.	
(DWER only) A signed, electronic copy of the application form, including all attachments, has been submitted via the applicable email address specified below; ***OR***	☒
(DWER only) A signed, electronic copy of the application form has been submitted via the applicable email address specified below, and attachments have been submitted via File Transfer, or electronically by other means as arranged with the relevant department; ***OR***	☐
(DWER only) A full, signed hard copy has been sent to the applicable postal address specified below. ***OR***	☐
(DMPE only) A signed electronic copy of the application form, payment and any supporting documentation has been saved and uploaded to DMPE online payment and application lodgement portal.	☐

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation	**Department of Mines, Petroleum and Exploration**
Applications to amend clearing permits granted by DWER, or the former Department of Environmental Regulation or former Department of Environment and Conservation, may be submitted via email or post to: **Email:** info@dwer.wa.gov.au **Post:** Department of Water and Environmental Regulation Locked Bag 10 Joondalup DC WA 6919 **If you have any questions regarding lodgement of your application, please contact DWER via:** **Email:** info@dwer.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 6364 7000 For more information: www.dwer.wa.gov.au	Applications to amend clearing permits granted by DMPE, or the former Department of Mines and Petroleum or the former Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety or the former Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety under delegation), can be lodged online via the DMPE online payment and application lodgement portal. **If you have any questions regarding lodgement of your application, please contact DMPE via:** **Email:** nvab@dmpe.wa.gov.au **Phone:** 9222 3535 For more information: www.wa.gov.au/DMPE

Please retain a copy of this form for your records.

Incomplete applications will be declined in accordance with section 51KA(3) of the EP Act.

If there is insufficient space on any part of this form, please continue on a separate sheet of paper and attach to this form

Part 12: Declaration and signature

General

I / We declare and acknowledge that:

- the information I / we have provided in this form is true and correct
- I / we have legal authority to sign on behalf of the applicant (where authorisation provided)
- I / we have been authorised to make this form by the owner of the land (as applicable)
- I / we have not altered the requirements and instructions set out in this form
- I / we have provided a valid email address in Part 3 for receipt of correspondence via email from DWER or DMPE (as applicable) in relation to this form
- successful delivery to my / our server constitutes receipt of correspondence and service of any statutory notices or instruments, and
- giving or causing to be given information that to my knowledge is false or misleading is an offence under section 112 of the EP Act and may incur a penalty of up to $100,000.

Publication

I / We declare and/or acknowledge:

- this application (including all attachments apart from the sections identified in Attachment 1) is a public document and may be published
- biodiversity and marine surveys provided in accordance with Part 6 will be published and used, for the purposes of the ISA project, in accordance with your declaration made in the ISA Data Licence Statement or IBSA/IMSA Metadata and Licensing Statement
- all necessary consents for the publication of information have been obtained from third parties
- the specification of the information identified in Attachment 1 constitutes a written request under regulation 11(2) of the Clearing Regulations to not publish that information due to its confidential or otherwise sensitive nature
- subsequent information provided to DWER or DMPE (as applicable) in relation to this form will be a public document and will be published under regulation 8A of the Clearing Regulations, unless accompanied by a further written request under regulation 11(2) by the referrer or applicant that that information be treated as confidential, and
- in accordance with the requirements of regulations 11 and 12 of the Clearing Regulations, DWER or DMPE (as applicable) must refrain from publishing bank account details or confidential material (as defined under regulation 11(1) of the Clearing Regulations), and
- DWER or DMPE (as applicable) may refrain from publishing:
  - certain otherwise sensitive information identified in Part 12, if satisfied it is desirable to not publish due to the confidential nature of the information, and
  - personal information or certain otherwise sensitive information listed under regulation 13 of the Clearing Regulations.

Please indicate if you are signing as an individual or a company:

☐	**An individual.** If an individual landowner is applying, **all landowners** must sign this form.		
☐	**A company.** **Company name:**		**ACN:**
	A person expressly authorised or authorised to execute on behalf of a body corporate must sign this form. A company must be a legal entity and provide an ACN. Please note an Australian Business Number is not sufficient.		
☒	**Other entity formed at law.**	Provide details:	**Public Transport Authority**

[redacted]

Signature

[redacted]

Date

[redacted]

Name

[redacted]

Position

Signature

Date

Name

Position

ATTACHMENT 1 – Confidential or Commercially Sensitive Information

Request for exemption from publication			
Information which you consider should not be published, on the grounds of a relevant exemption found in Schedule 1 to the *Freedom of Information Act 1992 (WA)*, available here, must be specified in this Attachment. Add additional rows as required.			
NOT FOR PUBLICATION IF GROUNDS FOR EXEMPTION ARE DETERMINED TO BE ACCEPTABLE			
Section of this form:	Appendix 1	Grounds for claiming exemption:	Redaction of personal information (names and contact details). A redacted version of the document has been provided.
Section of this form:	Figure 4	Grounds for claiming exemption:	Figure shows the location of a threatened ecological community (SCP3b TEC). A redacted version of the figure has been provided.
Section of this form:		Grounds for claiming exemption:	

[redacted]
Full Name

[redacted]
Signature

[redacted]
Date