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Application for new permit or referral to clear native vegetation

Application Details	
Application number	APP-0037342
Application type	Refer a proposal
Application sub-type	Clearing referral (s.51DA)
Project number	PRJ-0041766
Project name	Mardie Project
Instrument number (if applicable) CPS number	
Application Status	Submitted
Applicant	MARDIE PASTORAL CO PTY LTD

Submission Details	
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Land Details	
Property name	Mardie Station
Land description	Pastoral lease N050076, subleased from Pastoral Management Pty Ltd (a subsidiary of CITIC Pacific Mining), as approved by the Minister for Lands
Street address – Line 1	Northwest Coastal Highway
Street address – Line 2	
Suburb	Mardie
Postcode	6714
Local government area	City of Karratha
State	
Land Zoning	Pastoral lease
Relationship to landowner	I am the landowner

Proposed Clearing	
Total area of clearing proposed (hectares)	~~2982.698~~ Revised to 2596.33 ha
Footprint of clearing (hectares)	
Number of trees to be removed	Mesquite (woody weed) selective clearing
Purpose for clearing	
Specify other	
Final land use after clearing	Restoration of weed-infested pastoral station for productive grazing and environmental rehabilitation.
Method for proposed clearing	
Specify other	
Proposed start date	
Proposed end date	
Avoidance details	Refer to attached supporting document. Proposal is to selectively clear woody weed (mesquite) on Mardie, followed by ongoing land management and rehabilitation to minimise and restrict regrowth. CP referral lodged due to potential for native flora to be impacted, however clearing will be selective and native perennials (eg eucalypts) retained. Single pass removal of mesquite is targeted.
Mitigation details	Refer to management plan and rehabilitation criteria contained in the attached supporting document.

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	No clearing offset is proposed because (a) significant impacts are not identified based on available data; and (b) the purpose is to remove woody weeds, not native vegetation or native habitat.
Offset proposal submitted?	False

Pre-application scoping	
Clearing within the Swan Coastal Plain and Avon Wheatbelt bioregions?	False
Any pre-application scoping meetings with DWER?	
Details of pre-application scoping meetings	

Assessment Bilateral Agreement	
Request the proposed clearing action to be assessed in accordance with, or under, an EPBC Act Accredited Process?	False
Is the proposed clearing a controlled action?	True Waiting determination from NEPA, expected not to be controlled action
EPBC number	
Details of controlled action	

Surveys for assessment (IBSA and IMSA)	
Biodiversity surveys submitted?	
IBSA number(s)	
IBSA submission number(s)	
Marine surveys prepared?	

Other approvals

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Referred to EPA?	False
EPA details	
Intention to refer to EPA?	
Ministerial statement number (if applicable)	
Works approval licence or registration	
Details of works approval licence or registration	Works approval will be required for the associated pyrolysis (charcoal) facilities, under EP Act Part V Prescribed Premises (Category 37). Exact location of processing equipment is yet to be finalised. Refer to attached supporting document.
Water licences and permits?	
Details of water licences and permits	
Planning and other approvals required?	
Details of planning and other approvals	
Details of exemption from planning and approvals	Development Approval will be obtained for the processing facility through the City of Karratha. A planning consultant (RFF) has been engaged for this purpose. A Bushfire Attack Level (BAL) assessment will be completed. Ecosystem Solutions Pty Ltd will be engaged for this work, and has completed a reconnaissance site inspection regarding weed extent, flora and fauna impacts. EPBC referral will be lodged. It is anticipated that the proposal to remove a Weed of National Significance will be considered 'not a controlled action'. Preliminary discussions have been held with DWER's Travis Inman (August 2024) and Meenu Vitarana (December 2024).

Attached Documents	
Links to the Portal SharePoint location	Links to File folder: Application Folder Link to Confidential folder: Application Confidential Folder
Links to Geospatial information	Links to Shapefiles folder: Application Shapefiles Folder



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