



NORTHERN TERRITORY PASTORAL LAND BOARD

APPLICATION TO CLEAR PASTORAL LAND

APPLICANT'S DETAILS

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DETAILS OF LEASE ON WHICH CLEARING IS PROPOSED

Lease Name Gorrie Station

Location Sturt Plateau

Pastoral Lease Number PPL 1173

APPLICATION FEE

An application fee of \$120 is charged for clearing applications and payment is required at the time the application is lodged.

I. CLEARING DETAILS

What is the total area to be cleared?

Approximately 1,800 ha

What will the cleared land be used for?

Pasture improvement

(A) *Cropping / pasture improvement* **YES** *(Please delete if not applicable)*

(B) *Other purposes* **NO** *(Please delete if not applicable)*

If clearing for (A), please give details on the following questions:

What pasture or crop will be planted?

Secca, Verano, Sabi, Jarrah, Rhodes, Siran Mega

Will the area be grazed? (Give details)

Yes – to help maintain growth rates after weaning and to prepare export cattle for sale.

Will the area be used for fodder production? (Give details)

An area will be set aside for hay production.

II. ENVIRONMENTAL & HERITAGE PROTECTION

Provide details of any areas of sensitive or significant vegetation (eg riparian, monsoon vine forest or closed forest) to be protected

In the area proposed for clearing there is no sensitive or significant vegetation, or waterways.

Identify any declared heritage places or archaeological sites or other areas of cultural or heritage significance (attach supporting documentation)

No sites known and none found on inspection of the clearing site.

Identify any declared Aboriginal sacred sites (attach supporting documentation)

None known.

Identify any areas containing rare or endangered fauna

None known.

Identify any areas of national environmental significance under the Commonwealth *Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act* (World Heritage properties, Ramsar Wetlands of international significance, threatened species and ecological communities, and listed migratory species)

None known.

III. MERITS OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT AND IMPACT ON PUBLIC INTEREST

Please provide an assessment of the potential impact the clearing and proposed development may have on the surrounding area and possible detriment to the public interest

It is believed there will be no impact as surrounding land in the area is being used for the same purpose.

Please provide an assessment of the merits of the proposed development

Gorrie Station will be in a better position to market animals for the export market.

MIKE HARDING

Manager
Gorrie Station

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