

Environmental Approval

PURSUANT TO SECTION 106 OF THE *ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION ACT 2019*

Approval number	EP2023/026- 002
Approval holder	NTR AG PTY LTD & THE TRUSTEE FOR MOHR-BELL FAMILY TRUST & THE TRUSTEE FOR PANCHO TRUST (trading as Pancho Beef)
Australian Business Number (ABN)	81 243 084 385
Registered business address	Address for service of documents: PO Box 238 Katherine NT 0851
Action	Mathison Land Clearing Proposal
Action description	Clearing of native vegetation on a 4,517 hectares (ha) application area, for the purposes of growing hay and fodder crops.
Advisory notes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">i. Approval is granted under section 106 of the <i>Environment Protection Act 2019</i> in accordance with the amendments proposed by the approval holderii. On 2 January 2024, under section 69 of the EP Act, the Minister granted Environmental Approval EP2023/026-001 for the Action to be undertaken in the manner described therein, including implementation of the environmental management measures, commitments and safeguards documented in the referral.iii. If there is an inconsistency between the referral and this Environmental Approval EP2023/026-002, the requirements of this Environmental Approval prevail.iv. This approval does not authorise the approval holder to undertake an activity that would otherwise be an offence under the <i>Northern Territory Aboriginal Sacred Sites Act 1989</i>.v. Submission of all notices, reports, documents or other correspondence required to be provided to the CEO or Minister as a condition of this approval must be provided in electronic form by emailing environmentalregulation@nt.gov.au
Address of Action	Mathison Station, 9437 Victoria Highway, Delamere NT 0852 (NT Portion 7061)
NT EPA Assessment Report number	105

Person authorised to make decision

Hon Joshua Burgoyne,

Minister for Lands, Planning and Environment

Signature



Date of decision

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Environmental approval conditions

1. Limitations and extent of Action

1-1 The Action is to be within the following limitations and extent:

Action element	Limitation or maximum extent
Application area	No more than 4,517 ha, shown within the areas depicted by brown shading in Figure 1
Wildlife corridors	Land within the application area where native vegetation must be maintained to enhance connectivity within the wider landscape, provide shelter, facilitate movement and promote population viability of native fauna. The design and location of wildlife corridors is to be substantially consistent with the Northern Territory Planning Scheme Land Clearing Guidelines (NTPS LCG).

1-2 The **approved extent of native vegetation clearing** must exclude areas of native vegetation maintained as **wildlife corridors**.

1-3 If the **Pastoral Land Board** decides to grant a clearing permit/s regarding the **application area**, a map of the **approved extent of native vegetation clearing** must be submitted by the approval holder to the **Minister** within 10 business days of the decision by the **Pastoral Land Board**.

2. Atmospheric processes

2-1 The approval holder must implement the Action to meet the following environmental objective:

- (1) Minimise greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions so as to contribute to the Northern Territory Government's goal of achieving net zero GHG emissions by 2050.

2-2 To support achievement of condition 2-1(1) the approval holder must, to the greatest extent practicable:

- (1) utilise renewable energy
- (2) reduce late season, hot fires

- (3) implement further GHG emission reduction opportunities (selected by the approval holder) to avoid, minimise, mitigate and/or abate GHG emissions associated with the Action.
- 2-3 The approval holder must submit a report to the **Minister**
 - (1) three years from the date of decision on this approval
 - (2) every five year period ending 30 June until completion of the Action
 - (3) within 60 business days of clearing the total **approved extent of native vegetation clearing**
- 2-4 The report/s required by condition 2-3 must:
 - (1) include the area of hectares cleared (per year and cumulative total) shown on a map and in tabular form
 - (2) describe emission reduction measures implemented, as required by condition 2-2
 - (3) evaluate the effectiveness of implemented measures to reduce GHG emissions where practicable, for each of the measures implemented as required by condition 2-2.
- 3. **Commencement of Action**
 - 3-1 This approval expires five years after the date on which it is granted, unless the Action has commenced on or before that date.
 - 3-2 Within 10 business days of the commencement of the Action the approval holder must provide notification in writing to the **Minister**.
- 4. **Change of contact details**
 - 4-1 The approval holder must provide notification in writing to the **Minister** of any change of its name, physical address or postal address for the serving of notices or other correspondence within 10 business days of such change.
- 5. **Provision of environmental data**
 - 5-1 All environmental monitoring data required to be collected or obtained under this Environmental Approval and the approval holder's commitments, standards and management plans must be retained by the approval holder for a period of not less than 10 years commencing from the date that the data is collected or obtained.
 - 5-2 The approval holder must, as and when directed by the **Minister**, provide any environmental data (including sampling design, sampling methodologies, empirical data and derived information products such as maps) relevant to the assessment of the Action and implementation of this Environmental Approval, to the **Minister** in the form and manner and at the intervals specified in the direction.

Definitions

The terms used in this Environmental Approval have the same meaning as the terms defined in the EP Act and Environment Protection Regulations 2020.

approved extent of native vegetation clearing	The land within the application area that may be cleared of native vegetation pursuant to a clearing permit i.e. approved extent of native vegetation clearing is equal to the application area , minus the wildlife corridors .
CEO	The Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Lands, Planning and Environment [or another name for that department which may vary from time to time], or their delegate.
EP Act	<i>Environment Protection Act 2019</i>
native vegetation clearing	The removal or destruction, by any means, of native vegetation on an area of land. Native vegetation clearing includes the selective removal of a species of plant, a group of species of plants, a storey or group of storeys in whole or in part.
life of action	The period of time from the commencement of the Action until the issue of a closure certificate under section 213 of the EP Act , or revocation of the Environmental Approval by the Minister at the request of the approval holder under section 114 of the EP Act.
Minister	The Minister responsible for administering the EP Act
NT EPA	Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority.
clearing permit	A clearing permit granted by the Pastoral Land Board under the <i>Pastoral Land Act 1992</i> (NT).
referral	The approval holder's referral to the NT EPA under section 48 of the EP Act dated 23 June 2023.

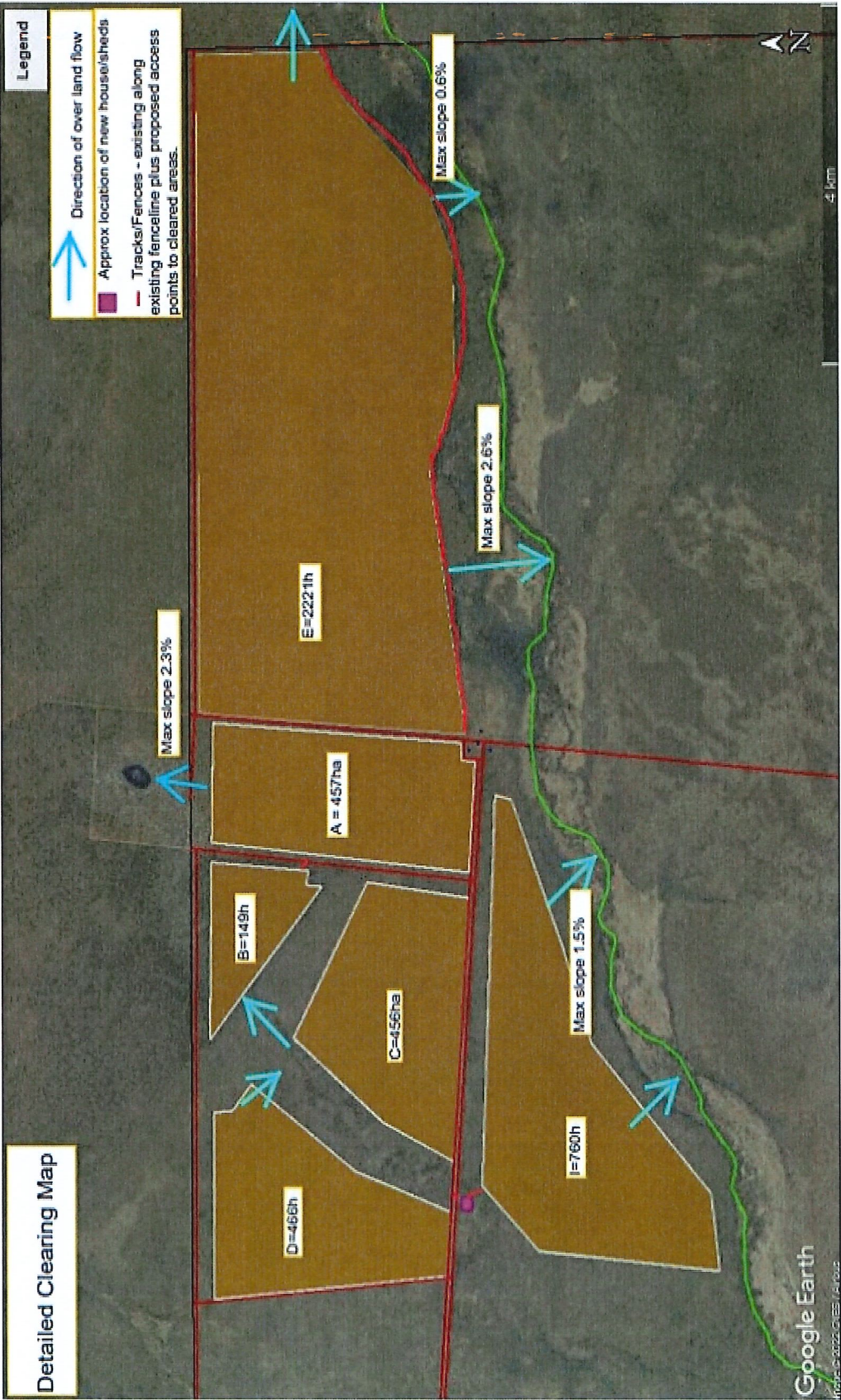


Figure 1 Application area