

Notification of intention to clear under the Clearing for infrastructure accepted development vegetation clearing code

Vegetation Management Act 1999

This form, or the online notification form, must be completed to notify of your intention to clear under the *Clearing for infrastructure accepted development vegetation clearing code*.

It is recommended that you read the code and obtain a property report for the lot, before completing this form.

A report and a copy of the code can be obtained through the department's website or by visiting any of our business services centres. For information on vegetation property report please call 135 VEG or 135 834.

To complete this form you will need:

- location of the area to be cleared
- area intended to be cleared in hectares
- regional ecosystems in the area to be cleared.

1. Are you the landholder?

Yes (Go to **question 4**)

No (Go to **question 2**)

2. Are you authorised to notify on the landholder's behalf?

Yes

No - You are not able to notify on the landholder's behalf if you do not have their authorisation.

3. Are you a Department of Resources officer?

Yes (Please answer **questions 4 and 5**)

No (Please answer **questions 4 through to 7**)

Name:

Office:

4. Landholder details

First name:

Middle name:

Surname:

Company name:

Main phone:

Other phone:

Email:

Address line 1:

Address line 2:

Town/Suburb:

State:

Postcode:

5. Is the landholder's postal address the same as their home address?

Yes

No - If no, please complete the home address details below

Address line 1:

Address line 2:

Town/Suburb:

State:

Postcode:

6. Notifier details		
First name:	Middle name:	Surname:
Company name:		
Main phone:	Other phone:	
Email:		
Address line 1:		
Address line 2:		
Town/Suburb:	State:	Postcode:

7. Is the notifier’s postal address the same as their home address?		
Yes	No - If no, please complete the home address details below	
Address line 1:		
Address line 2:		
Town/Suburb:	State:	Postcode:

8. Is the clearing area located on a road or in a watercourse?			
Yes – Complete this section then go to question 11		No – Go to question 9	
<i>NOTE: A hard copy notification form will need to be completed and lodged with the Department of Resources.</i>			
Clearing area is a:	Road adjoining	Lot:	Plan:
	Watercourse adjoining		

9. What is the lot on plan number of the area to be cleared?	
For example, Lot: 1 on Plan: RP123456 Note: A new notification form must be completed for each activity on each lot on plan	
Lot:	Plan:

10. What is the tenure of this property?		
Freehold	Leasehold	Other - please list tenure

11. Vegetation category			
Multiple vegetation categories may be selected			
Category B	Category C	Category R	Category X (on dedicated roads)

12. Activity	
Note: A new notification form must be completed for each activity on each lot on plan.	
Airstrips or helipads	Go to question 14

Boundary fences Internal fences Contour banks Irrigation channels Tracks	Go to question 14
Drainage and erosion control structures	Go to question 14
Firebreaks	Go to question 14
Fire management lines Note: Clearing for a fire management line that is 10 metres wide or less is exempt. If you wish to clear a fire management line that is wider than this in a Category B area, you will need to apply for a development approval.	Go to question 14
Linear infrastructure (other) [e.g. pipeline, powerline, etc.]	Go to question 13
Non-linear infrastructure (other) [e.g. stockyard, shed, etc.]	Go to question 13

13. Reason for clearing

Please identify the type of infrastructure being constructed

14. Notification area

There are restrictions on the maximum area which can be cleared under this code. This will depend on the category or categories of vegetation selected and whether it is within the South East Queensland regional plan area, a koala priority area or a koala habitat area. Please ensure you have read the code and understand these limitations.

Firebreaks only:

Is the clearing area located in a coastal area or non-coastal area?

NOTE: Clearing in a coastal area to establish a firebreak in a Category B area is exempt clearing works if the maximum width of clearing is 1 ½ times the height of the tallest vegetation next to the infrastructure or 20 metres whichever is the greater. If you wish to clear a firebreak greater than this, you will need to apply for a development approval.

Coastal
Non-coastal

All infrastructure types:

How large is the area to be cleared?

Area in hectares

All infrastructure types:

What is the location of the area to be cleared?

Please attach information on the area that is to be cleared, by **clearly marking** on a map or aerial photograph the area to be cleared.

A vegetation property report (including maps of your property) can be accessed through the website or by visiting any of our business services centres. For information on vegetation property report please call 135 VEG or 135 834.

15. Exchange area

When clearing Category C and/or Category R areas, an exchange area is required when the clearing is for:

Airstrips or helipads and

- occurs within a riparian protection zone; or
- is within 100 metres of a salinity expression area.

Boundary fences and

- exceeds 10 metres in width of the landholder's side of the property boundary; or
- will result in the widening of an existing cleared area on the landholder's side of the property to more than 10 metres in width; or
- is within 100 metres of a salinity expression area.

Contour banks, internal fences, irrigation channels or tracks and

- exceeds 10 metres in width; or
- will result in the widening of an existing cleared area to more than 10 metres in width; or
- is within 10 metres of the defining bank of a wetland; or
- is within 10 metres of a defining bank or a watercourse or drainage feature; or
- is within 100 metres of a salinity expression area.

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Drainage and erosion control structures and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> is greater than 900m²; or is within 100 metres of a salinity expression area.
Firebreaks and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> exceeds 30 metres in width; or widens an existing firebreak to more than 30 metres in width; or is within 100 metres of a salinity expression area.
Fire management lines and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> exceeds 10 metres in width; or is within 100 metres of a salinity expression area.
Other linear infrastructure and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> exceeds the width limits of the code; or widens the existing cleared area to more than the width limits in the code; or is within 10 metres of the defining bank of a wetland; or is within 10 metres of a defining bank of a watercourse or drainage feature; or is within 100 metres of a salinity expression area.
Other non-linear infrastructure and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> exceeds the area limits of the code; or is within an essential habitat area; or is in a riparian protection zone; or is within 100 metres of a salinity expression area.
OR Clearing in a Category C, Category R or Category X area for infrastructure on a dedicated road and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> exceeds the width limits of the code; or exceeds the area limits of the code; or occurs within 10 metres of the defining bank of a wetland; or occurs within 10 metres of a watercourse or drainage feature unless a crossing is required.

However, an exchange area is not required if the clearing is in a koala habitat area and an environmental offset for interfering with koala habitat has been legally secured for the extent of clearing.

Does the clearing require an exchange area?

Yes - An exchange area must be legally secured prior to clearing. The code outlines the specific requirements for securing exchange areas, including that the exchange area be made a Category A area.

Enter exchange area reference number:

No

16. Acknowledgments

Wet Tropics World Heritage Area acknowledgements

Before commencing clearing, it is recommended that you contact the Wet Tropics Management Authority to discuss any clearing, development or other activities on phone (07) 4241 0500, wettropics@wtma.qld.gov.au or visit www.wettropics.gov.au.

The Wet Tropics World Heritage Area only applies to certain parts of the following local government areas:

Cairns Regional Council	Cassowary Coast Regional Council	Charters Towers Regional Council
Cook Shire Council	Douglas Shire Council	Hinchinbrook Shire Council
Mareeba Shire Council	Tablelands Regional Council	Townsville City Council

Koala protection framework acknowledgements

Before clearing vegetation on the property you should contact the **Department of Environment and Science's Koala team** on 13 QGOV (13 74 68) to ensure that clearing complies with the koala protection framework.

The koala protection framework only applies in the following local government areas:

Brisbane City Council	Gold Coast City Council	Ipswich City Council
Lockyer Valley Regional Council	Logan City Council	Moreton Bay Regional Council
Noosa Shire Council	Redland City Council	Scenic Rim Regional Council
Somerset Regional Council	Sunshine Coast Regional Council	Toowoomba Regional Council (eastern part)

Record keeping acknowledgements

I acknowledge that I will keep the following items for record keeping purposes as part of this notification:

- evidence of any authorisations required under section 1.2 of the code
- appropriate records detailing the recognised best practice methods employed to protect soil and water quality as per the requirements of the code
- appropriate records detailing the progress and effectiveness of all exchange area works and management actions, where relevant
- contractor details (name, address, phone and email contact details), where relevant
- Instructions to contractors, detailing location, date, time and species, where relevant

17. Declarations

In submitting this notification, I acknowledge that:

- the information I am supplying is true and correct
- I have read, understood and will comply with the requirements of the accepted development vegetation clearing code for the activity being notified
- the information I have provided will be used only in accordance with the Department of Resources information privacy statement available at: www.qld.gov.au/legal/privacy/.

Landholder signature:

Notifier signature:

Date:

Date:

Privacy statement: The Department of Resources is collecting the information submitted on this form to meet legislative requirements under the *Vegetation Management Act 1999*. We will publish public location data and the purpose of the notified activity in a public register. Your personal information will not be disclosed to any other parties unless authorised or required by law. Read more about [our privacy policy](#).

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Name:

Position:

Date received

Signature

Date: